

Nassau County American Legion

MONTHLY MEETING

1st Division

DATE: 2/23/24

Name	Post/Title	Email Address
FRANK COLON JR.	303 / POISTCAR.	MFCOLOR517@AOL
ROBERT DISHMAN	1282 MENICK CMDR	bigbad/bob46@optonline.net
GEORGE SCHULTMAN	854 ADT	GEORGE.SCHULTMAN@CITY
JOHN HASSETT, PCC	44 PC	SAM19
ROBERT GUARNERI	POST 44	
Pat Aheia	Post 44	SAME
Bill Marinaccio	Post 335	duke4@optonline.net
Kevin Tirmun	ALR / Sea Level 1132	
JOSEPH SCAROLA	POST 303	
Sean Hood	Post 972	militaryman32874@aol.com
BOB COSTIGAU	POST 972	SAME
DON DECCARO	POST 1246	DECCARO1@AOL.COM
Dawn Samuel	Post 44	

Nassau County American Legion

MONTHLY MEETING

2nd Division

DATE: 7/23/24

Name	Post/Title	Email Address
Anthony Pirozzi	CMDR 2 VC	APIROZZI@USA.COM
Harry Ransom	PDVC	
Calvin Gendreau	Post 342	
Coy Richards	#342	
FRANK NEAL PCC	390	
Peter Johansen	1087	

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Nassau County American Legion Roll Call

July 2023 – June 2024

COUNTY STAFF	7/28	8/18	9/22	10/27	11/17	12/22	1/26	2/23	3/22	4/26	5/23	6/3
ELECTED												
Commander Sean Hood	1	1		1	1	1	1	1				
Vice Commander 1 st Div: Dawn Samuel		2	1	2	2		1	1				
Vice Commander 2 nd Div: Arthur Pirozzi	1	3	2	3	3	2	1	1				
Vice Commander 3 rd Div: Ralph Casey	2	4	3	4		2						
Adjutant: Kerry Englander	3	5	4	5	4	4	1	1				
Treasurer: Anthony Paternostro	4	6		6	5	4	1	1				
APPOINTED												
Sgt At Arms: Steve McManus				7	6							
Judge Advocate: James Randle												
Chaplain: Eric Spinner	5	7	5	8		5	1	1				
Historian: James Randle	6	8	6	9	7		1	1				
TOTAL	6	8	6	9	7	5	8	7				

Nassau County American Legion Roll Call

July 2023 – June 2024

FIRST DIVISION	7/28	8/18	9/22	10/27	11/17	12/22	1/26	2/23	3/22	4/26	5/24	6/1
ANDREW FATSCHER	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1				
BALDWIN	2	2	2	2	2	2	2					
BELLMORE												
EAST ROCKAWAY												
EDWIN WELCH, JR.	3		3			3	3					
ISLAND PARK	4											
J. FRANKLIN BELL		3		3								
LAWRENCE CEDARHURST												
LYNBROOK		4	4		3	4	4	2				
MALVERNE	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	3				
MASSAPEQUA	6	6										
MERRICK	7	7		5	5	6	6	4				
OCEANSIDE MEMORIAL												
ROCKVILLE CENTRE	8	8	6	6	6	7	7	5				
VICTOR MURTHA	9	9	7	7	7	8	8	6				

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July 2023 – June 2024

WANTAGH	10	0	0	8	9	0	9					
TOTAL	10	9	7	8	9	8	9	6				

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Nassau County American Legion Roll Call

July 2023 – June 2024

SECOND DIVISION	7/28	8/18	9/22	10/27	11/17	12/22	1/26	2/23	3/22	4/26	5/24	6/1
AVIATORS												
CATHEDRAL				1		0	4	1				
EAST MEADOW MEMORIAL												
ELMONT			1	2	1	1						
FLORAL PARK												
FRANKLIN SQUARE												
GOMILLION-CAMPBELL												
HEMPSTEAD	1	1	2	3	2			2				
HUGH C. NEWMAN III MEM	2	2	3	4	3	2	1	3				
LEVITTOWN	3	3	4	5	4	3	2	4				
NEW HYDE PARK-ERNIE PYLE	4	4	5		5							
NORTH BELLMORE												
UNIONDALE												

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July 2023 – June 2024

SECOND DIVISION	7/28	8/18	9/22	10/27	11/17	12/22	1/26	2/23	3/22	4/26	5/24	6/1
WILLIAM BRADFORD TURNER												
WILLIAM CLINTON STORY	5	5	5					5				
TOTAL	5	5		5	5	3	2	5				

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Nassau County American Legion Roll Call

July 2023 – June 2024

THIRD DIVISION	7/28	8/18	9/22	10/27	11/16	12/22	1/26	2/22	3/22	4/26	5/24	6/1
ADMIRAL CONOLLY												
ARCHIE McCord												
CARLE PLACE												
CHARLES A. FOWLER, JR.		1										
CHARLES WAGNER	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1				
EUGENE S. SMITH	2	3			2	2	2	2				
GLEN COVE												
GLENWOOD LANDING	3		2	2		3	3					
HOWARD A. VAN WAGNER				3								
JAMES F. BRENGEL												
MANHASSET							1					
MINEOLA MEMORIAL												
NASSAU POLICE												
NEW CASSEL MEMORIAL												
PLAINVIEW												
PORT WASHINGTON												
QUENTIN ROOSEVELT												
ROBERT H. SPITTEL												
WILLISTON	4	4	3	4	3	4	4	3				
YOUNG-SIMMONS												
TOTAL	4	4	3	4	3	4	4	3				

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July 2023 – June 2024

PAST COMMANDERS	7/28	8/18	9/22	10/27	11/17	12/22	1/26	2/23	3/22	4/26	5/23	6/1
ANTHONY PATERNOSTRO	1	1		1	1	1	1	1				
HARRY D. RANSOM, PDVC				2	2			2				
CHARLES G. MILLS												
KEANETH CALYON, PDVC												
REGINALD BUTT, JR., PDistC												
ROBERT L. REATH												
WILLIAM HARMS												
FRANK COLON, JR., DistC		2		3	3	2		3				
ANGELO GRANDE	2		1				2					
JOHN HASSETT	3	3	2	4	4	3	3	4				
STEVE McManus				5	5							
FRANK NEAL	4	4	3	6	6			5				
JOE BRUNNER												
ROBERT GUARNERI		5		7	7	4	4	6				
AL FICALORA	5	6	4	8	8	5						
PAT ALESIA	6	7	5	9	9	6	5	7				
Joseph Scarola Jr. Past County Commander	7	8	6	10	10	7	6	8				
TOTAL	7	8	6	10	10	7	6	8				

Membership Procedure Change

All county treasures and some Post treasures received a letter from James Casey, Department Adjutant on County per capita Collection. This is stemming from the fact that County's have not received per capita for over a year. I just received an email saying that we are going to receive per capita from February to December 2023. Which will definitely help out working capital.

Starting as of July 1, 2024, which is the Legion Membership year of 2025, all County per capita money will be sent directly to the County Treasurer and not through MyLegion or using the mail service. Also remember that the National dues will be increased by \$5.00 to \$0.00. That makes sending through MyLegion or snail mail \$0.00. The Department of New York will be notifying National to remove all County per capita from the MyLegion submission.

This is how our County will be processing membership:

By MyLegion

1. Post will submit through MyLegion the membership that has paid their dues.
2. When submitted a copy of the transmittal slip will be sent to the County Treasurer along with a check payable to the Nassau County American Legion in the amount of \$2.50 for each name on that transmittal.

We are going to have a mandatory membership meeting within the coming months to review this new procedure to make sure that everyone understands. When his meeting is called please attend because it makes it much easier when you have everyone hearing the facts all at the same time. When you do it individually the words get distorted.

Anthony L. Paternostro, PCC
County treasurer



Operation Comfort Warriors Report

February 2024

Contributions made to Operation Comfort Warriors for the month of February 2024 amounted to \$500.00, as detailed below:

Bruce Friedman	-	\$ 200.00
Uniondale Post 1487	-	\$ <u>300.00</u>
Total contributions	=	\$ 500.00

Total Contributions to Date = \$2,350.00

I would like to thank all the posts that have donated to this program and helping to achieve our goal of \$5,000.

“Freedom still is not Free”

For God and Country
Frank Neal, PCC
Chairman
Operation Comfort Warriors

February 23, 2024

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	A	B	C
1	2023-24 National Legacy Scholarship Fund		
2	Donor	Check#	Amount
3			
4	Roosevelt	1234	\$100.00
5	Reginald Butt, Jr.	222	\$100.00
6	Plainview Legionnaires #1812	3806	\$500.00
7	East Rockaway \$958	2252	\$100.00
8	RVC #303	996	\$300.00
9	Lynbrook #335	1067	\$100.00
10	John & Carol Hassett, PCC,PCP	145	\$100.00
11	Charles Wagner #421	404	\$100.00
12	New Hyde Park #1089	2310	\$50.00
13	Angelo & Kathy Grande	124	\$25.00
14	Malverne #44	1080	\$100.00
15	Floral Park Post #334	8062	\$100.00
16	Cathedral W.Hempstead#1087	2933	\$50.00
17	Steve McManus	488	\$100.00
18	Merrick Post 1282	5283	\$100.00
19	Chas. Fowler Post 160 Gr.Neck	2206	\$50.00
20	No. Bellmore #1749	3683	\$100.00
21	Manhasset #304	14463	\$100.00
22	Robert Spittel Bayville #1285	7676	\$120.00
23	East Rockaway SAL Sqd#958	1250	\$100.00
24	Carle Place #1718	3158	\$75.00
25	Pat & Maryann Alesia, PCC	7882	\$50.00
26			
27			
28	Total		\$2,520.00

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Country Legionnaire of the Year

- 1- I have received three resumes for County Legionnaire of the Year.
- 2- suspense for submission of resumes remains NLT 26 February 2024.
- 3- County winners submitted to District NLT 1 March 2024.
- 4- County Legionnaire of the Year will be announced at our County Convention 1 June 2024.

National Emergency Fund:

We have received 4 donations from our last meeting:

John and Carol Hassett

Wantagh Post 1273

N. Bellmore Post 1749

Edwin Welch Jr Post 1132

This brings our total to \$3,640, which represents 60.1% of our goal of \$6,000.

VAVS: Nothing to report

Submitted by Pat Alesia, PCC

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Service Officer Report by Ed Aulman

February 23, 2024

The 2023 VA Federal Benefits Booklet is now available online. This booklet is meant for Veterans, Dependents, Survivors and Caregivers. This booklet is important to anyone who needs benefits. Go to va.gov and search for Federal Benefits for Veterans.

Google: "Center for Women Veterans" and you will get a monthly list of all recently published research related to women Veterans.

No Barriers USA provides programs for Veterans with visible and invisible disabilities. It provides backcountry expeditions in Colorado, Wyoming and North Carolina June through September. Call 907-484-3633 for information.

Here is your opportunity to show off your talent and use your artwork to honor Veterans. The VA is now accepting submissions for the 2024 Veterans Day Poster Contest. Submissions are due April 1, 2024. To view past winning submissions, visit The Veterans Day Poster Gallery. Questions? Email the Veterans Day Coordinator at vetsday@va.gov

In 2023, the VA planned to house 38,000 Veterans into permanent housing. The VA exceeded its goal. In 2023 46,552 were housed. Some interesting facts about homeless veterans: 89% received an honorable discharge, 67 % served 3 years or more, 47% are Vietnam Veterans, 15% served before Vietnam, 5.5% are Iraq and Afghanistan.

The Department of Veterans Affairs proposed new rules that would expand Agent Orange conditions to some locations and times in 12 U. S. States and locations in Canada and India. The Biden administration is waiting for congress to approve the additions.

Share this information with a non-member of the American Legion. Call me at 516-426-9495

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Nassau County American Legion

DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK



JANUARY 2024 FINANCIAL REPORT

	BALANCE December 31, 2023	RECEIPTS	DISBURSEMENTS	BALANCE January 31, 2024
GENERAL FUND (\$.75)	21,788.54	130.26	2,132.05	19,786.75
CONVENTION FUND (\$.15)	710.05	5.15		715.20
DELEGATES FUND (\$.25)	422.93	10.30		433.23
PROFESSIONAL & LIABILITY INSURANCE (\$.35)	(578.53)	7.21		(571.32)
SAVINGS ACCOUNT	45,833.71	0.78		45,834.49
AMERICAN LEGION MONUMENT	458.45			458.45
BOYS STATE	9,447.43	400.00		9,847.43
CHILDREN & YOUTH	3,454.55	100.00	472.34	3,082.21
CONVENTION RESERVE	1,667.48			1,667.48
CONVENTION JOURNAL ADS	0.00			0.00
COUNTY INSTALLATION DINNER	(1,000.00)			(1,000.00)
DEPARTMENT FAMILY TESTIMONIAL DINNER	500.00			500.00
DIRECTORY ADS	1,445.00			1,445.00
DISTINGUISHED GUESTS	295.00			295.00
EDUCATION & SCHOLARSHIP	4,203.39			4,203.39
EVENT RESERVE	2,137.30			2,137.30
FLAG MAINTENANCE	831.30			831.30
JUNIOR PCC DINNER	0.00			0.00
LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP FUND	2,662.00	345.00		3,007.00
LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST	0.00			0.00
MILITARY BALL/POST COMMANDERS. NIGHT	920.00	17,560.00		18,480.00
NASSAU FUND RAFFLE	3,440.00	830.00	655.00	3,615.00
NATIONAL COMMANDERS DINNER	0.00			0.00
NATIONAL EMERGENCY FUND	2,650.00	25.00		2,675.00
NEW AMERICAN LEGION POST AT HOFSTRA	0.00			0.00
OPERATION COMFORT WARRIORS	2,643.48	100.00		2,743.48
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION	149.17	140.00		289.17
SPECIAL WELFARE	5,000.00			5,000.00
VETERANS SERVICES (REHABILITATION)	4,695.57			4,695.57
TOTAL	113,776.82	19,653.70	3,259.39	130,171.13

LOCATION OF FUNDS

TD BANK-CHECKING	34,313.66
TD BANK - SAVINGS	41,301.73
TD BANK - SAVINGS - INVESTMENT MONEY	4,532.76
MERRILL LYNCH INITIAL INVESTMENT	50,022.98

TOTALS

130,171.13

MERRILL LYNCH MANAGED ACCOUNT AS OF JANUARY 31, 2024
MERRILL LYNCH BROKERAGE ACCOUNTY AS OF JANUARY 31, 2024

\$45,633.83
\$25,089.98 \$70,723.81

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Anthony L. Paternostro

ANTHONY L. PATERNOSTRO
NASSAU COUNTY TREASURER

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**Elmont Riders Report
January 2024**

Date	Events	# Vol	Hours	Total hours	Miles	Total Miles
8 Jan	Veterans Treatment Court Mentor	2	4	8	15	30
10 Jan	VSA	1	5.5	5.5	96	96
11 Jan	Angel Flight Escort (PGR)	1	4	4	52	52
12 Jan	ALR Member Wake	14	2	28	3	42
13 Jan	ALR Member Funeral	9	2	18	7	63
13 Jan	ALR Member Repast	5	4	20	2	10
13 Jan	Military Service Academy Committee	1	8	8	25	25
17 Jan	VSA	1	5.5	5.5	97	97
20 Jan	Wreaths Across America retirement	7	5	35	50	350
22 Jan	Veterans Treatment Court Mentor	2	4	8	15	30
23 Jan	Military Service Academy Committee	1	4	4	10	10
25 Jan	Legion Wake PCC	10	1	10	12	120
27 Jan	Legion Funeral escort PCC	10	3	30	20	200
28 Jan	Legion Wake Lynbrook	1	1	1	3	3
29 Jan	Holocaust Survivors Ceremony	1	2	2	12	12
30 Jan	Legion Funeral Lynbrook	3	3	9	16	48
30 Jan	Buddy Check (ALR member)	3	1	3	6	18
31 Jan	Buddy Check (ALR member)	1	1	1	6	6
Total	18			200		1212

For God & Country,
Dawn Samuel
Director, Elmont ALR

County ALR Totals

Events

22

Total Hrs

266

Total miles

1,489

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Kevin Tirman
Chairman, Nassau County ALR

MASSAPEQUA POST 1066 ALR REPORT
JANUARY 2024

DATE	EVENT	#VOL	HRS	TOTAL HRS	MILES	TOTAL MILES
02 Jan	monthly meeting	7	1	7		
03 Jan	United Veteran Beacon House donation	2	5	10	15	30
12 Jan	Amityville Pipe Band Fundraiser	2	9	18	15	30
20 Jan	Wreaths Across America	4	5	20	8.5	34
23 Jan	Cooking for L.I. Veterans	3	6	18	61	183

TOTAL	4 Events	16		63 66		277
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Mike "Hammer" Hammond
ALR Director Post 1066 Massapequa, NY

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County Report-February 23, 2024
Military Ball/Post Commanders Night

We had 323 people paid for the function. We did have no shows, but once you turn in your number to the catering hall we have to pay on that number.

Total income	\$26,800.00
Total Expenses	\$25,735.01
Total Contribution	\$ 1,064.99
Budget Gets	\$ 1,000.00
Transfer to Event Reserve	\$ 64.99

Frank and I thank you for your support.

Anthony L. Paternostro, PCC
Co-Chair
Military Ball/Post Commanders Night

Nassau County American Legion Military Ba///Post Commanders Night
February 17, 2024
Leonard's Palazzo
Profit and Loss Statement

INCOME:

TICKETS SOLD	308 @ \$ 80.00 p/p	\$	24,640.00
TICKETS SOLD-Children (2)	2 @ \$40.00 p/p		80.00
MONEY FROM COUNTY FOR DISTINGUISHED GUESTS	13 @ \$ 80.00 p/p		1,040.00
DONATION			40.00
TRANSFER FROM EVENT RESERVE			0.00
			1,000.00

TOTAL INCOME \$ 26,800.00

EXPENSES:

DJ	\$	400.00
LEONARD'S		25,095.01
REFUND MALVERNE POST 44		80.00
REFUND CHARLES WAGNER POST 421		160.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 25,735.01

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS \$ 1,064.99

COUNTY BUDGET \$ 1,000.00

AMOUNT TRANSFERED TO EVENT RESERVE \$ 64.99

National Commanders Dinner Report
February 23, 2024

Nassau County bid 4 tables for the National Commanders Dinner on April 12, 2024 which totals out to 40 people. We have to sell all 40 tickets or the County eats them. As of tonight, we have 33 people signed up for tickets. We need 7 more people to sell all the tickets. If we should get more than the 40 those may not be sitting with Nassau. I need to send the check for the 40 tickets plus the tickets for our Commander and wife which is a budgeted item. I know we have 7 people who can attend. I will now read the people who have opted for tickets and I ask them to please send a check to me payable to the Nassau County American Legion.

Cost is \$100.00 per person, and we are cutting off the sale as of March 22, 2024, the next County meeting. The remaining 7 tickets are on a first come first serve basis. This gives us two weeks before the dinner to get the tickets to the people who have paid for them.

Anthony L. Paternostro, PCC
County Treasurer

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NATIONAL COMMANDERS DINNER ATTENDEES 2024

Name	Post	# of Tickets	
Anthony Paternostro, PCC & Wife	Charles Wagner Post 421	2	\$200.00
John Hassett, PCC & Wife	Malverne	2	\$200.00
Kerry Englander & wife	Levittown	2	\$200.00
Arthur Pirozzi	Hugh C Neuman	1	\$100.00
Kathleen Murphy	Massapequ Unit 1066	1	\$100.00
Morgan Avila	Massapequ Unit 1066	1	\$100.00
Massapequa Post 1066		3	\$300.00
Pat Alesia, PCC & Wife	Malverne	2	\$200.00
Bob Guarneri, PCC	Malverne	1	\$100.00
Rockville Centre Post 303	RVC	6	\$600.00
Mary Norris & Tom Basacchi	Charles Wagner Post 421	2	\$200.00
Dawn Samuel	Malverne	1	\$100.00
Sean Hoods Daughter	Commander	1	\$100.00
Eric Spinner	Williston 144	2	\$200.00
Jim McMahon	Uniondale Post	1	\$100.00
Charles Fowler Post 160	Jim Morehead	3	\$300.00
James Randle & Wife	Williston 144	2	\$200.00
Donna Hood	Commanders Wife	1	\$0.00
	Total	<u>34</u>	
	Tickets	\$3,400.00	\$3,300.00
	Left to Sell	(6)	

Bid was 4 tables (40 people) at \$100.00 per person	4,000.00
From County Budget-Sean Hood & Wife	100.00
Check to National Commanders Committee	<u>4,100.00</u>

REHABILITATION PROGRAM - STATUS UPDATE

TO: Cmdr. Sean Hood
FROM: Mary Norris-Chair
SUBJECT: **Veteran Services Report**
DATE: February 23, 2024
CC: 1st Div. Cmdr. Dawn Samuel, 2nd Div. Cmdr. Anthony Pirozzi, Jr,
3rd Div. Cmdr. Ralph Casey, Adjutant Kerry Englander

Day at the Races Forward Planning

The Northport VA Medical Center relaxed their Group Volunteer guidelines and are allowing the American Legion to start the monthly visits back to the Community Living Center, Building 92.

We will begin in March working from the schedule published back in 2019-2020:

Team # 7 – Please arrive at Bldg. 92 No earlier than 1:00 pm on March 9th....

CHARLES WAGNER #421 ISLAND PARK #1029 MANHASSET #304	NEW HYDE PARK – ERNIE PYLE #1089 WANTAGH #1273 YOUNG SIMMONS #1765
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Letters announcing our return to Northport were sent to all Post Commanders. Letter mentioned an attached schedule. The Schedule was attached letters for Post who are on the schedule for March through May and asking for volunteers for June.

The schedule needs revisions. An updated schedule for Post for months of September 2024 through February 2025 will be mailed by mid-March.

Mentioned in the letter, the Veterans Service Committee is asking for donations to offset operating costs. Posts who come out to the Day At the Races, please bring a \$50 check donation (made out to the Nassau County American Legion).

If a Post is not able to attend, send a check for \$100, made out to **Nassau County American Legion** and on memo line mark “**Rehab/Day at the Races**”. Mail check to Mary Norris @ 81 Bobwhite Lane, Hicksville, NY 11810. Your Post will receive credit for the operating cost contribution.

	A	B	C
1	<u>Nassau County SAL Squadrons</u>		
2	<u>Squad</u>	<u>Check#</u>	<u>Dues 23-24</u>
3	East Meadow Squadron #1082	104	\$75.00
4	East Rockaway Squad #958	1251	\$34.00
5	East Rockaway Squad #958	1254	\$29.00
6	Floral Park Squad #334	2101	\$16.00
7	Malverne Squad #44	338	\$60.00
8	Levittown Squad #1711	1895	\$140.00
9	Andrew Fatscher Squad #854		
10	Elmont Squadron #1033		
11	Manhasset Squad #304		
12	Massapequa Squad #1066		
13	Plainview Squad #1812		
14			
15			
16	Total		\$354.00
17			

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**Nassau County American Legion Vice Commander 1st Division
Feb 2024 Report**

Date	Post	Event
27 Jan	Baldwin	Kenny Cadieux Funeral Escort
28 Jan	Lynbrook	Mike Guglielmo Wake
29 Jan	Lawrence Cedarhurst	International Holocaust Remembrance Day
30 Jan	Lynbrook	Mike Guglielmo Funeral Escort
3 Feb	Locust Valley	Support for Post member Tribute & Honor Award
4 Feb	County	Four Chaplains Ceremony
7 Feb	Baldwin	Four Chaplains Ceremony
10 Feb	Zone Level	Oratorical Contest
15 Feb	Merrick	Initiation of new Members
15 Feb	Bellmore	Wake for Past Post Commander Richard Kreppein
17 Feb	County	Commander's Ball
21 Feb	Edwin Welch Jr	Wake for Thomas Callahan

For God & Country

Dawn Samuel

Vice Commander, 1st Division, Nassau County American Legion

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NASSAU COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION



February 23, 2024

2ND DIVISION REPORT - FEBRUARY 2024

- Members of my staff joined me at the 4 Chaplains ceremony this month
- I attended the Nassau County Veterans Services meeting on the 6th
- On Feb 10th I participated in the Zone Oratorical contest in Elmont
- My treasurer and I attended the yearly Military Ball
- On Feb 20th I visited the Hempstead Post and spoke about the Legion's membership initiative
- On Feb 13th I attended the Merrick Post meeting with 1st Vice Commander Samuels and we assisted in an initiation ceremony for two new members; a young veteran and his father-in-law
- Lastly, I received a call from the son of the Franklin Square Post's treasurer. His father may have had a stroke and fell. I was advised that his father is not well at all and may require nursing care. As a result, he and another family member were going to gather all Legion business, documents and any mail and give it to me. Going forward I need to identify a responsible post member to manage the post who can resume post activities. If not, another thought is to canvass Post 1 members in the community in order to infuse new life into the Post by having an election for a new slate of officers.

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April 10, 2018



Arthur Pirozzi Jr
Vice Commander, 2nd Division

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Nassau County American Legion

Department of NY



Friday, 23 February 2024

County Commander's Monthly Report

28 Feb 2024	American Legion Oceanside Memorial Post 1246 Installation of Officers.
04 Feb 2024	Four Chaplains ceremony New Hyde Park
07 Feb 2024	Four Chaplains ceremony American Legion Baldwin Post 246
10 Feb 2024	American Legion 10 th District Oratorical Contest in Elmont.
17 Feb 2024	Nassau County American Legion annual Military Ball in Great Neck.
20 Feb 2024	Zoom meeting with American Legion Dept of NY for tickets bid, Annual National Commanders Ball in Queens Village. NY
20 Feb 2024	Meeting with American Legion Massapequa Post 1066 Boys State interviews.
23 Feb 2024	Nassau County American Legion monthly meeting at Rockville Centre Post 303.

Upcoming events

25 Feb 2024 Installation of officers at American Legion Post 1246 Oceanside Memorial. At 2 PM 3078 Lawson Blvd, Oceanside.

28 Feb 2024 Law and Order ceremony 7PM at Malverne Post 44. 250 Franklin Ave, Malverne.

29 Feb 2024 SAVE training 7PM at 7PM Massapequa Post 1066. 66 Veterans Blvd, Massapequa.

19 Mar 2024 American Legion 10th District meeting 8PM. Benjamin Moore Post 1946. 204-3 Linden Blvd, St Albans Queens.

20 Mar 2024 42nd INF Div meeting at 7PM. King Umbertos Restaurant 1343 Hempstead Turnpike, Elmont.

12 Apr 2024 National Commander's Ball at 6PM. Antuns Catering 96-43 Springfield Blvd, Queens Village.

Special Note:

- Nassau Raffle Fund. I bring this up every month, however this is a very important fund raiser for our Nassau County American Legion board. Much of this money is used to lower the cost of our dinner events. So, please help the other veterans within our county.
- National Commanders Ball on 12 Apr 2024 6PM Antuns Catering in Queens Village.
- Membership. Please keep in mind that every Legionnaire needs to help with Retention and gaining new members.
- Buddy Checks. If you haven't seen or heard from a Veteran in your post or any Veteran in need, call them. Be the one who prevents suicide of a Veteran. Especially during the holiday season when mental health issues are a concern.
- Oceanside Memorial Post 1246 Installation of Officers. If you can make it, please do. This is a huge thing when we save a Post from closing. Special Thanks to PCC Joe Scarola and others for their hard work on making this happen.

- Retired Military personnel who do not belong to the American Legion. Please encourage former Military members especially from the Post Vietnam Peacetime Military to join the Legion.
- Military Ball. We had a great time again this year. Very good participation
- On April 11 2024 we will have the Nassau County American Legion Auxiliary visitation at our monthly meeting and the Nassau County American Legion staff will attend the Nassau County American Legion Auxiliary meeting.
- Boys State/Girls State. Post Commanders and members must look for Boys State/Girls State members for the coming year. June is not a long way off. We need to have a list of names of those students who wish to attend. Bill Laderer is the Chairman of the Nassau County Boys State. One of my main goals as County Commander will be to attempt to get a grant from Nassau County to assist the Posts with the large cost of sending students upstate. I will be contacting the Post Commanders of Uniondale, Mineola, Manhasset, Oyster Bay, Hempstead and Hicksville to talk to the private religious Schools throughout Nassau County about speaking the principles and enforcing the importance of Boys State/Girls State at their schools.
- It's a long way off, however we have an opportunity this year to attend the Department of New York American Legion College which will be held at SUNY Morrisville on 31 May to 2 June 2024. It is a \$300 fee. I encourage all to attend this year especially because it will not conflict with the Nassau County American Legion Convention and installation which will be held the following weekend in June on 9 June 2024 at the Massapequa Post.

For God and Country,

Sean Q. Hood
County Commander
Nassau County American Legion

GO ARMY
BEAT NAVY

Again.....

United Veterans Organization of Nassau County, Inc.



Spanish-American War Vets-Honorary
World War I Veterans-Honorary
802 Tank Destroyer Bn Vets-Honorary
National Guard Veterans-Honorary
Pearl Harbor Survivors Assn-Honorary
Women Marine Assn-Honorary
U.S. Sub Vets of WW II-Honorary
Catholic War Veterans-Honorary
American Merchant Marine Vets-Honorary
Tuskegee Airman-Honorary
Destroyer Escort Sailors Assn-Honorary
Iwo Jima Survivors Assn-Honorary
Battle of the Bulge Vets L.I. Chapter-Honorary
Korean War Veterans-Honorary
Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
Disabled American Veterans (DAV)

John Hassett
President
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Jewish War Veterans (JWV)
Marine Corps League (MCL)
American Veterans (AMVETS)
Polish Legion of American Vets (PLAV)
1st Marine Div. Assn NY Chapter
U.S Submarine Veterans
Veterans of the Vietnam War (VVnW)
Nassau Voiture 803 (40 & 8)
Military Order of the Purple Heart
Air Force Assn (AFA)
Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA)
Reserve Officers Assn (ROA)
Vietnam War Veterans Assn (VWVA)
The American Legion
42nd Inf. (Rainbow) Division Assn
11th NY Regt-USV

MINUTES of the February 4, 2024 UVO MEETING

Meeting was called to order by Pres John Hassett at 0933hrs.

Chaplain Eric Spinner read the opening prayer and Acting Sgt-at-Arms Ed Dombrowski led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

GUEST SPEAKER

Linda Gilbert from Honor Flight L.I. Honor flight is open to all WW 2, Korea and Vietnam Veterans. Flights are out of Islip-MacArthur Airport. For more info call 631-702-2423.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Len Goldstein held the roll call of officers and member organizations.

Officers present were as follows:

Pres, 1st Vice, 2nd Vice, Secretary, Treasurer, J/A, Chaplain and the Acting Sgt-at-Arms.

Organizations present were as follows:

1st MarDiv, 42nd Inf. Div., AFA, AmLgn, DAV, JWV, MCL, MOPH, PLAV, ROA, VFW, VVnW and the VWVA.

President Hassett asked for a motion to accept the January 7, 2024 meeting minutes.
Motion made by Frank Colon and seconded by Bob Guarneri. The motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

The objective of this organization shall be to meet and exchange ideas for the furtherance of the best interest of all Veterans, and to unite all Veterans on matters affecting their general welfare

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BILLS

The following bills were submitted:

Printing of the 7Jan Meeting Minutes

12.00 LMN Printing Co

Meeting Collation

37.96 Frank Colon

Vets News

10.00 Ed Aulman

Calling Post

9.99 Ed Aulman

\$69.95

Motion to pay all bills was made by Morris Miller and seconded by Pat Alesia.

The motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer read the consolidated UVO financial report including the General Fund, the Flag Program, the Homeless Veterans Program, the Tower Museum Fund, the Savings Account and the Testimonial Luncheon Fund.

Some UVO programs are very low in funds, donations are needed.

UVO dues for 2024 are now required. Note: the dues are now \$35.00.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by John Damato and seconded by Pat Alesia. The motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Public Access Cable TV (Ed Aulman)

- a. Our Feb guest will be Major Dennis Graziosi, CO of Recruiting Station NY.
- b. Our Mar guest will be Syd Mandelbaum, Cmdr of the Lawrence-Cedarhurst AmLgn Post and Lonnie Sherman, the founder of General Needs. Both men run organizations that help veterans.
- c. Shows are taped in the North Shore TV studio at 1111 Marcus Ave, Ste LL27 in Lake Success on the last Tuesday of the month.
- d. They are looking for more volunteers to help.

Our program airs on Cablevision Channel 115 on Monday at 1830hrs & Cablevision Channel 20 on Friday at 1830hrs. It is also on at various times on Verizon/FIOS channel 36, Lynbrook and Malverne Public Access TV or anytime on YouTube by entering Veterans News UVO. We are also on public access MNN TV Network in Manhattan.

2. L.I. Nat'l Cemetery (Bob Guarneri)

- a. The cemetery director is waiting for the design & specs for the plaque which honors those people & organizations who donated money to purchase the flag poles.
- b. An order was put in to replace the flagpoles that fell during a windstorm.

3. Vets Plaza

If the tower museum needs to be opened for a special event, notify Park Hqtrs and they will call Andy or Bob.

4. Veterans Treatment Court

- a. The Treatment Court meets twice a month at 1pm.
- b. Small criminal actions may be handled here.
- c. Veterans Crisis Line (VCL) – dial 988 and press 1 for help.
- d. More mentors (male & female) are needed due to the increase in cases.

COMMITTEE REPORTS (Cont'd)

5. Northport VAMC (Morris Miller)

- a. They are renovating the ER.
- b. The roads are in bad shape.

6. Flag Program (Frank Colon)

Winter - Spring 2024 UVO Flag Program

<u>Date</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
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Waiting for replies from schools.

7. Memorial Day (Morris Miller)

From now on at our Veterans and Memorial Day events, we will hold a POW/MIA Service.

8. N.C. Vets Memorial Coliseum

We must be very watchful regarding the name of the coliseum.

9. Public Relations

Gina Taberus of Newsday (631-843-2190) handles vets' news items.

10. Constitution & By-Laws

No Changes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. The revised listing of all UVO members will be sent out sometime after this meeting.
It will only be sent to the active UVO members.
Remember, this listing is confidential. It is for your use only.
2. The UVO meeting date list still has a problem in May. We will need to discuss our options at the March 10th meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. N.C. VSA

Ongoing items:

- * Vets orgs wanting to hold an event in Eisenhower Pk must contact the VSA for a permit.
- * Traffic Court is in session one day a month on the third Thursday (old DMV bldg. E. Gar. City).
This Court only handles tickets given out by the N.C. P.D. You must notify the VSA.
- * Drivers are needed to take older vets to VA hospitals or clinics.
- * Vet Mart - needs food items. (call to let them know you are coming 516-572-6565)

Veterans' event items are needed for the VSA Events Calendar.

2. J/A (Pres Hassett)

Morris Miller is now appointed the UVO J/A.

NEW BUSINESS (Cont'd)

3. Notations

Morris Miller - The UVO Memorial Service for Ken Cadieux was well attended.

Paul Vista - The monthly VSA meetings are back on and the next meeting is on 6Feb24 at 1300hrs in the Cradle of Aviation.

Eric Spinner - Spoke about a free cell phone messaging app called GroupMe.
This app apparently works like calling post but uses text messages instead.

4. Notations (via e-mail)

Rick Gales - On 20Mar24 at 0900hrs the Annual Veterans Conf will be held at Adelphi University (1 South Ave, Garden City).

Eric Spinner - On 27Feb24 Paul Zadoff, WW 2 U.S. Army Air Force Vet passed away.
Paul is remembered for singing 'God Bless America' at the Nassau Cnty Vets Picnic and at the N.C. Service to Vets Awards Ceremony.

GOOD and WELFARE

1. Sick and in Distress

Mike Pensa (USV UVO Rep) is in the hospital.

2. Coming Events

10Mar - UVO Monthly Meeting-Cradle of Aviation Museum- 0930hrs.

3. If your organization has a new Cmdr, Pres, etc., please notify the secretary so he can update the UVO membership roster and mailing list. If a new rep to the UVO is appointed, let the secretary know about this change also.

ADJOURNMENT

President Hassett asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion was made by Frank Colon and seconded by John Damato. The motion passed.

Chaplain Eric Spinner read the closing prayer and Acting Sgt-at Arms Ed Dombrowski led the assembled in the Salute to the Flag. The meeting closed at 1031hrs.

OUR NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR Sunday, March 10, 2024 at 0930hrs in the Cradle of Aviation Museum in E. Garden City.

The 50/50 Winner was the UVO. Money was donated to the coffee fund.

Secretary
Len Goldstein