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Veterans Day 2018

On Veterans Day, November 11, as we have done for many years, we called attention to and honored all those who have worn our country's uniform.

On the morning of the 11th day of the 11th month, at the sacred 11th hour we, again, gathered together at the Greenlawn Memorial.

With us, were our fellow veterans from Northport Post 694, Huntington Post 360 and VFW Post 9263. Our fellow citizens from our "hometown" Greenlawn and throughout Huntington came to help us celebrate the peace

Oath of Enlistment
"I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I will obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me according to regulations and the Uniform Code of Military Justice. So help me God."

and freedom that we enjoy, and the bond we share as veterans. Included were the Greenlawn Fire Department, Greenlawn Civic Association, Greenlawn Lions Club as well as many local Boys Scouts and Girls Scouts,.

Our Post 1244 American Legion Riders, and Riders from Sayville Post 651, after engaging in some serious, fundraising outside Duncan Donuts across the street, also joined us for the ceremony.

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Monthly Meetings

St. Joseph Council K of C 24 Boulevard Ave. Greenlawn. The 2nd Wednesday of each month at 8:00 pm
New or potential members always welcome!



New York American Legion Press Association's Best Paper Award
2009-2012-2013-2014-2015-2016-2017-2018
National American Legion Press Association's First Place Award 2018



Veterans Day (Continued from page 1)

We were especially honored by the presence of Suffolk County Legislator William “Doc” Spencer as well as our newly elected Huntington Town Councilwoman Joan Cergol. Coordinator of Veterans Affairs Carol Rocco and her husband Tom were also there on this special day.

A contingent of midshipmen from the United States Merchant Marine Academy were our guests once again.

At 11:00 am, our color guard advanced the colors to the monument, followed by our veterans who took their places along the side of the plaza.

Chaplain Charlie Tritto offered the invocation and Commander Dennis Madden led us all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Walt Whitman High School student Sara Crapanzano then performed our National Anthem beautifully.

In his remarks, Commander Madden repeated the Oath of Enlistment, familiar to all who served.

“Those words had, and will always have, a profound effect on the men and women given the opportunity to speak them. At the very moment they are spoken, a bond is formed and that bond is nurtured and develops over the length of our time in the military. “

“Words will not be able to express that bond adequately, but it is there, a brotherhood, forever, and we will take it to our graves, not ever having the opportunity to meet most of the citizens we would each give our lives defending.”

“Amazing fact all by itself, isn’t it? Only 70 words, directed by someone for us to repeat. Not chosen from our own hearts or considered for long periods of time beforehand, but life changing words, indeed.”

Wreaths were placed on the Greenlawn Monument by Greenlawn Post 1244, our Post 1244 Auxiliary, Fred Amore the Commander of VFW Post 9263, Greenlawn Fire Department, Greenlawn Civic Association, Greenlawn Lions Club and Boy Scout and Girls Scout troops.



Veterans Day Lunch at Applebees

“Taps” was played by Nicholas Zavack, an 8th grade trumpet player at Oldfield Middle School. Nicholas had been practicing since summer in preparation for his Veterans Day performance. Well done, Nicholas!

We closed our ceremony with vocalist Sara Crapanzano leading us in a spirited rendition of “God Bless America” warming many hearts on such a chilly day.

Special thanks to our in house “DJ” Andrew Schild of ProAudio for the day’s musical background.

Thanks also to our 2nd Precinct police officers for attending to the safety of all those in the area of the ceremony. Inspector Bill Scrima was represented by Lt. Paul Highland.

Then it was off to Applebees of Commack, for our traditional complimentary Veterans Day lunch. The staff couldn’t have been more gracious. We are truly grateful for the generosity of Applebees every year.

Operation: Hope

Thanks to the work of our dedicated poppy volunteers, Post 1244 is able to support many local charities that directly assist our veterans and their families in need. One such is **Operation: Hope**.

Long Island has the second largest veteran population in the United States. To help the many who are struggling and in need of food assistance, Island Harvest launched **Operation: HOPE** – a program specifically designed to assist veterans and the families of active duty personnel deployed overseas.

If you are a veteran or a family member in need of assistance please contact Joval Nance at 631-873-4775 ext 221 or Email: Joval@IslandHarvest.org



L-R Cmdr. Dennis Madden, Past Cmdr. Bob Santo presenting a donation to Joval Nance of Operation: Hope.

Missing In America Project

Herbert Grant, USAF
Calverton National Cemetery
September 20, 2018

Today, thirty-two caring patriots assembled to remember and bear witness to the interment of Herbert Grant, a Korean War era veteran who served with honor in the U.S. Air Force from 1949 to 1952. After the playing of “Taps” by Post 1244 Bugler Bob Slingo, an Air Force honor guard folded and presented Herbert’s Casket flag to Tony Braccia, for his participation in Greenlawn Post 1244. He is not only a contributing Legionnaire, but also a dual member- and Commander of Sons Squadron 1244.

Suffolk County Chaplain Tom Bergin followed with a heart-felt invocation. I then offered a eulogy, highlighting

the many similarities between Veteran Grant’s Air Force service and my own.

Then I dedicated the poem “ You Are Not Alone” to Veteran Grant and the many other forgotten American veterans that have been found and remembered over the years by MIAP.

Mike Williams, MIAP Chaplain then closed our ceremony by offering the benediction. All in attendance then came forward to pay their respects.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie Tritto
Post 1244 Chaplain
Missing In America Post 1244 Team

Service Officer Report - “You Earned It!”



Service-Disabled Veterans Life Insurance (S-DVI)

If you have a service-connected disability (*even if only 0%*), you may be able to get life insurance under Service-Disabled Veterans Insurance (S-DVI).

Eligibility (All of these must be true):

- You were released from active duty on or after April 25, 1951, and didn’t receive a dishonorable discharge, and
- Were rated for a service-connected disability, and
- Are in good health except for any service-connected conditions, and
- Apply within 2 years from the date you were granted your new service-connected disability.

Note: An increase of a rating you had before—or a rating of Individual Unemployability, meaning you can’t work—doesn’t qualify you for S-DVI.

For more information on how to apply, visit: <https://www.benefits.va.gov/insurance/s-dvi.asp> or speak to Service Officer Michelle Martin, who can assist you. (Mmartin@sus.org).

Michelle Martin,
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American Legion Scholarships

Parents and Grandparents. You may be surprised to learn that the American Legion Family (Legion, Auxiliary, Sons and American Legion Riders) offers a number of scholarships and other resources to assist young people in their pursuit of higher education. There are opportunities for everyone, including relatives of wartime veterans and participants in Legion programs. For a summary of each scholarship and links to details and applications please see this link:

www.suffolkcountylegion.org/scholarships

2018 Donors



Our Post is very excited about the opportunities the Boy's & Girl's State programs offer to our youth. Recently in Long Island's Newsday, in the 'Bottom Lines' section of the editorial page, there was an open question from Jonathan Zimmerman which said "How will our young people learn about American democracy."

Well, it seems that the answer is already here, and has been since the mid-1930's – the Boy's State and Girl's State programs. Unfortunately, not enough people are aware of this.

As we have noted before, we are very proud to have been able to send almost 100 local high school students to these programs over the last few years, and we aim to send as many more as we can as we move into the future.

None of this would have or could have been possible, or will be possible without the continued donations and support we are very grateful to have been receiving from our local supporters listed below.

We thank you very much. Your help and support are very much appreciated!

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Veterans In The Classroom - Oldfield Middle School 2018



Chris Argento, U.S. Army



Donna Boyle, U.S. Army



Vinnie Crimardo, U.S. Navy



Carlo Giordano, U.S. Navy, Air Force



Donna and Ed - Flag Folding



Ed Hayde, U.S. Air Force



Chuck Holt, U.S. Air Force



Alex Janow, U.S. Marine Corps



Steve Labate, U.S. Army

The American Legion believes that our military veterans are living textbooks of American history. Their accounts of experiences while in the uniform of the United States Armed Forces should be preserved and shared with others, especially with students in America's schools. The Veterans in the Classroom program is intended to involve the members of Post 1244 in the academic curriculum. American history is something we all share, and there is no one better to help tell that story than someone who has had a part in shaping it.

Thanks to Mrs. Sandra Buscemi of Oldfield Middle School and the students and teachers who participated. Sandra has done a great job for the past seven years, coordinating this program with our Post each year. Special thanks to Legionnaire Ed Hayde who was our point man for this program.

The Sons of The American Legion



Squadron 1244 Member of the Year

Just in terms of the amount of time he devotes to leading our American Legion Riders Chapter in service to our veterans and their families, Chapter Director Bruce Blanco has proven to be most deserving of the Member of the Year Award for our Sons Squadron 1244.

Bruce was presented with a Member of the Year plaque at our November 14 monthly post meeting.

From the time he assumed leadership of the ALR almost five years ago, he has worked tirelessly to develop the Riders into a force to be recognized, not just in our community, but throughout the Long Island area.

As Director for the Suffolk County American Legion Riders, he has fostered a spirit of cooperation among the various chapters in the county and made the American Legion Riders an integral part of the American Legion Family.

Congratulations Bruce. Well done!



Accepting the Squadron 1244 Member of the Year Award from Commander Dennis Madden (L) and Suffolk County Commander Mike Pankowski

Tony Braccia

Commander, Sons of The American Legion
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American Legion Riders - Turkey Run 2018



Life is full of surprises. Sometimes they are welcome. Sometimes they are tragic.

Such was an incident on November 17, on our annual Turkey Run. Our contingent of 10 American Legion Riders set out with 15 Turkeys and fixings. Each visit to a veteran was enjoyable but unremarkable.

Until one of our last stops. That one visit answered the question: Why do we do what we do?

He was a 93 year old WWII veteran in poor health. We were met at the front door of their 17th St. home by his elderly wife. She looked at us with surprise but with tears in her eyes. At first, I thought she just was happy to see us. But then she told us that her refrigerator had stopped working and that they had no place for the food we had brought. She did say they had just called a repair service to look at it.

We noticed that the flag on the flagpole was terribly ripped. So we replaced the flag and on the road we went.

Just a few stops later we were at Uncle Joe's house. We visited with him while a few of us returned to the house on 17th St. The appliance repairman was now there and he

said it would be a little over \$700 for the repair! I laughed at this repair guy. I had little faith that he knew what he was doing.

We put our ALR's in motion. A few of us got on our phones. The end result was that we bought this very needy WWII veteran and his wife a new refrigerator. P.C. Richards gave us a great price on a floor model for a fraction of what the "repairman" was going to charge to fix the old one. More importantly, we had it delivered to the house and installed in less than 2 hours!

The tragic surprise? Less than three weeks later, our WWII veteran died. Our final act of respect for this man was to provide a flag line for him at the funeral home and a motorcycle escort to Calverton National Cemetery.

Thankfully, we were at least able to provide this last act of honor to a man who served our country when he was called and gave so much to preserve our way of life..

And that is why we do what we do!

Bruce Blanco, Director American Legion Riders Chapter 1244, Greenlawn New York ‘

American Legion Auxiliary



The year ahead is promising to be a busy and productive year of service for our Auxiliary.

We will have our pancake breakfast at the Commack Applebees on Veterans Memorial Highway Sunday January 13 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. We'll be selling tickets for this event at the Post meeting on January 9.

We will also be visiting the VA Medical Center to donate snuggies to the veterans there and we will be donating about 50 snuggies to our local veterans for the holidays. Planning is taking place for our annual and very

popular craft fair this spring. We will announce the dates just as soon as we can confirm them.

Also, at the next Post 1244 meeting, we will be making a \$500 donation to SailAhead.

Last but not least, we will be sponsoring a local high school girl for 2019 American Legion Auxiliary Girls

Nicole Abbate

Co-President American Legion Auxiliary Unit 1244

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Jim Rizzo WWII Veteran Honored

On October 17, Congressman Lee Zeldin (R, NY-1) presented 96-year-old World War II Veteran Sergeant James Rizzo with a tribute the Congressman entered into the Congressional Record to honor his service and sacrifice. The ceremony took place at Arbor Assisted Living in Islandia where Sergeant Rizzo currently resides. Rep. Zeldin is pictured below with Sergeant Rizzo and his loved ones.

Jim is a Post 1244 Legionnaire and is the father-in-law of legionnaire Tony Braccia, our Sons of The American Legion Commander.

The text of the Congressional Record is as follows:

“Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the service and sacrifice of James (Jimmy) Rizzo. Growing up in Brooklyn, New York, in the shadow of the Brooklyn Navy Yard, his draft notice arrived in 1942. Mr. Rizzo was sent

to Camp Crowder in Neosho, Missouri for basic training, and upon completion of his training, he was assigned to the 96th Battalion and transferred to Louisiana.

In 1943, he arrived in the Burmese theater, where he would be stationed to serve. Mr. Rizzo was constantly on the move in Burma. His duty was retrieving supplies and packages by airdrop from dangerous jungles and terrains, ensuring these supplies arrived at their military and medical destinations on time and intact. The job was a dangerous one, and during his time in Burma he faced two near-death situations.

Having been promoted from Private to Corporal and then to Sergeant, he was awarded the African and Burma Stars. For his service and sacrifice, our nation will always be indebted to Sergeant Rizzo, and his bravery and selflessness, then and now, continues to inspire us all.”



Operation Enduring Care

Our Operation Enduring Care program recently received a boost from some of Long Island's best and brightest student leaders.

On November 15, Walt Whitman High School hosted the 10th annual Compassion Without Borders (CWB) Student Leadership Conference.

Each year there is a 'Compassion' component to the conference. This year students supported 'Operation Enduring Care' sponsored by American Legion Post #1244 and 'The Rucksack March' sponsored by the US Army.

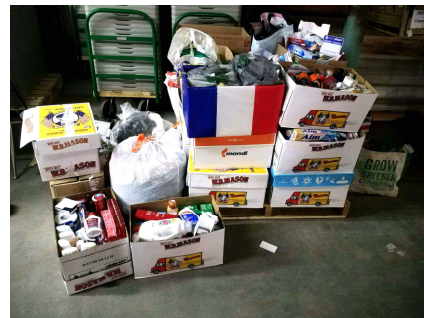
Over 400 students from over 40 Long Island High



1st Vice Cmdr, Carlo Giordano leading participating soldiers into the meeting.

Schools gathered to hear keynote speaker James Origgio who instilled the idea of discovering one's passion and using that, along with the use of their own creativity, to help others in need. The students were

each asked to bring an item of food for the Army's Rucksack March food drive as well as personal care and comfort items for our own Operation Enduring Care. These items will be distributed to veterans at the Northport VAMC.



Just a small part of what was donated to Operation Enduring Care.

Operation Enduring Care continues to raise funds to provide personal care and comfort items to our veterans in the geriatric, extended care, hospice, and palliative care units.

At this time, we are asking only for monetary donations due to a lack of storage space. We are looking forward to hearing when or if the homeless shelter operated by United Veterans Beacon House will reopen in Building 11.

Donations can be made payable to:

American Legion Post 1244

PO Box 238, Greenlawn NY 11740

Memo line: "Operation Enduring Care"

Women Serve Monument

On Saturday, October 13, Greenlawn Post 1244 was honored to take part in the dedication of the "Women Serve" monument at Calverton National Cemetery.

About two years ago, Commissioner Loree Sutton, (US Army Ret), of the NYC Department of Veteran Services proposed the dedication of a monument to all women who have served in our country's armed forces.



Partnering with Dignity Memorial Funeral Homes, Calverton National Cemetery, the Veterans Administration and others, the design soon took shape. Due to the

relationship that Post 1244 has had with Dignity Memorial and MIAP Chairman John Caldarelli, we were asked to take part as the sponsoring VSO. We gladly accepted and were able to facilitate the cutting of some of the inevitable red tape that is common in a project such as this.

On a rather bleak, cold and wet day, hundreds of veterans (a great many of whom were women) gathered at the site in Calverton. As usual, Post 1244 was well represented, including a contingent of American Legion Riders. They, along with Riders from Sayville and others raised the flag over the monument and assisted with the unveiling of the monument.

Among the speakers that morning was Past National Commander Denise Rohan, representing the National American Legion. Post 1244 Past Cmdr. Bob Santo addressed the women veterans present and urged them to "...take your rightful place among your fellow veterans. Find and join a veteran's service organization in your community. Add your numbers to our ranks. Make your presence felt and your service known."

Be sure to visit this beautiful monument when you travel to Calverton National Cemetery.

A Moment With Chaplain Charlie



I've been volunteering at the Northport VA Medical Center shuttling veterans to and from their appointed clinics for several years now. This is one of their stories.

"The Missing Cap"

I was scheduled to leave but my crew chief asked me to make one last run. I had to pick up a veteran from one of the vision clinics and bring him to meet his DAV bus in front of the facility. The bus was to leave in 15 minutes so we had to hustle.

When I arrived at the clinic, the elderly gentleman explained that he was afraid he was going to miss his bus. I assured him that we had enough time to navigate the tunnels and get to the bus on time. That's when he threw me a curve ball. He mentioned that somewhere during his appointments he lost his cap. He explained that the cap was very important to him and asked me if we could retrace his steps in order to find it. The clock was running. It was obvious how distraught he was, so I agreed.

I asked him which clinics he visited that day. Vision, Audiology, and the Lab. Tick tock, tick tock..... As we negotiated the tunnels his weak eyes were riveted on the floor in hopes of spotting his beloved cap. "Is that my cap," he asked. "No," I told him. It was only a tile in the old tunnel that was worn down to the brown cement.

I was determined to find his cap. I'd drive him home myself if he missed the bus. Nothing in the Lab. Nothing in the Vision clinic. I wheeled him into the Audiology lab and asked the receptionist if anyone turned in a cap. It was our last hope. "Yes, we have one!" She handed it to me. I turned and asked if it was his cap. His old eyes welled up as he put it on. He then reached out his hand to shake mine, and thanked me again and again for finding his cap. The lump in my throat came suddenly.

It was then that I knew why it was so important to him. The four letters embroidered on it explained everything. "D Day." That weathered cap was the embodiment of all that he and others like him had been through on that June day in 1944. May God bless them all.....

Oh, he made his bus.....

Chaplain Charlie Tritto

Veterans Visited at Atria Senior Living

Last month, American Legion Greenlawn Post 1244 was invited to Atria Senior Living in Huntington Station. The invitation was for the afternoon of November 11, Veterans Day. The staff specifically requested that we perform a flag folding ceremony for its residents.

Naturally, we accepted the invitation, but we lacked the full-size veterans burial casket flag which would provide the greatest impact. When I mentioned the event, and lack of a flag to Srey Austin, Director of Long Island National Cemetery, she immediately provided me with one.

As is our Post's tradition at 11:00 am we assembled at Greenlawn Memorial Park and hosted a Veterans Day commemoration replete with speeches, dignitaries, fire fighters, patriotic music, boy and girl scout troops, townspeople and wreath laying. This year's event was especially meaningful since it marked the 100th anniversary



of the end of WWI. Following the event, we attended a celebratory luncheon hosted by Applebee's in Commack in honor of Veterans Day.

With full bellies and happy hearts, we headed to Atria Senior Living. We found its recreation room filled with many of its residents. They welcomed us with open arms. As promised, we performed the flag folding and explained what each of its 13 folds signified. Following the folding, we provided each attendee with a memorial poppy, the symbol of America's fallen, as a token of our appreciation for being invited. Some enthusiastic discourse followed before we went on our way.

Our sincere thanks to Director Austin for the flag she provided. That simple gesture, ultimately provided many of our senior citizens an afternoon they will not soon forget.

Chaplain Charlie Tritto



Final Salute

John O. Johnson

United States Army



Edward H. Gates

United States Marine Corps



John G. Meagher, M.D.

United States Air Force



John A. Stefano

United States Army



Alfred F. Vanek

United States Army



Their sense of duty continues to preserve our past, safeguard our present and sustain our future.

Vice Commander's Call to Members



With the departure of 1st Vice Commander Rich Russano for the sunnier climes of Florida, I am looking forward to trying to fill his shoes! Rich was a very capable membership chairman and I appreciate him showing me the ropes.

We have had a very good membership year for 2018-2019 with 12 new members since July.

But with some members failing to renew, and others passing on to Post Everlasting, we're all going to have to work hard to keep our membership numbers up.

I urge all of our members to spread the word about our post to any and all potential members.

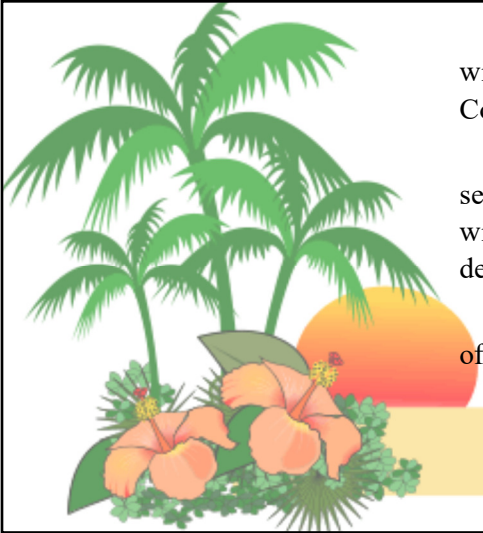
Veterans who served since the 1st Gulf War now outnumber Vietnam veterans. Keep in mind that this is the first generation of the all volunteer military. It truly is a generation that values volunteerism.

As an American Legion Post that values service above all else, we should be among their first choices of veteran service organizations.

If we aren't actively telling our story of service, comradeship and honor, however, we certainly aren't going to get any takers.

Look through this issue of The Greenlawn Bugle and you will find everything you need to convince this generation of volunteers that this is the service organization for them.

Carlo Giordano



For those of you who haven't had the occasion to join us at a meeting, you will not have had the opportunity to meet our recently "retired" Vice Commander, **Rich Russano**.

Rich has left us for the warmer climate of southwest Florida to while away his senior years and work on his golf game. His membership, however, will remain with Greenlawn Post 1244 as he has found his home with like-minded veterans determined to help other Veterans.

That, brothers and sisters, is Rich Russano. He will surely be missed as an officer, confidant, counselor, dear friend and golf partner.

Enjoy it all, Rich and keep in touch.

Dennis Madden

Welcome To Our Newest American Legion Member

James Scheff

Congratulations!

To proud parents Legionnaire Candace Baldwin and her husband Philip Baldwin on birth of their beautiful daughter Brooklyn Louise Baldwin.

Brooklyn arrived on November 30 weighing in at 7 lbs., 11 oz. and 20 1/2 Inches tall.

Our best wishes also to her Grandparents - Legionnaire Rudy Sobina and Auxiliary member Nancy Sobina.



The Commander's Corner



Another calendar year is behind us as you read this article. Our Post has accomplished so very much that it bears repeating what our former 1st Vice, Rich Russano said at our Veterans Day ceremony.

In 2018 we sent 21 Boys and Girls State citizens to upstate SUNY campuses to learn about government. Our oratorical contestants

from St. Pius V School continued to dominate the annual Suffolk County High School Oratorical Contest. We continue to support the Tri-Village Little League and many other civic causes. We have continued to provide committal services for the burial of our fallen and abandoned brothers and sisters with Dignity Memorial and the V.A. under the leadership of John Caldarelli.

We were the impetus for the new Women Serve Monument at Calverton National Cemetery. Once again, our Greenlawn Bugle won the prestigious Best Paper Award from the New York American Legion Press Association for the 10th time and, for the first time, the national award as well. Our Facebook page was awarded second place at the national level as well. Our Veterans in the Classroom Program at Oldfield Middle School continued again this year.

Operation Enduring Care, under the direction of Al Statton, provided personal comfort items for residents of the Northport VA Medical Center as well as 26 new TV's for residents of the hospice and palliative care units. Our Post 1244 membership, the students of Walt Whitman HS, local fire departments, and other American Legion Posts

supported our effort with their donations.

We have partnered with the SailAhead organization to take veterans sailing, using 50 boats from around the region and 150 volunteers, all from the Centerport Yacht Club which embraced the program from the outset. Sail-Ahead has done 1800 veteran sailings to date.

We remain active in our community, Greenlawn, and her needs, with the various groups and organizations that also support us. Sons of The American Legion Brian Madden and Paul Shields, as well as others, provide color guard details for many local ceremonies. Surely, I have only scratched the surface.

If you are a new member or an old member who has not yet found a program that interests you, perhaps you can initiate a program that will interest more of our members to participate more frequently. We'd love to hear your ideas and help you get it going.

This spring, we'd like to do a few field trips; perhaps to the Cradle of Aviation for a viewing and lunch, or the unique Kirkup's Military Museum in Bay Shore. We could view the Town of Huntington's archives to learn of our part in the American Revolution and the Civil War and see the very documents of origin for our town. We can do these as well as another post brunch if you'd like.

In March, we will have nominations for our slate of officers. The commander's position as well as all elected officers will be open. Start to give some thought as to who will lead this Post into the future.

Meanwhile, please pay attention to what is happening and join us when you can. All of our events are family events. You and your family are always included. I hope to see you soon, enjoying the Post 1244 family with us.

Dennis Madden



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