



THE REPORTER

GRISWOLD TERRY GLOVER POST 803

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JULY 2023

★ ★ COMMANDER'S REPORT ★ ★



My Fellow Legionnaires and Friends of the Legion,

It is with a heavy heart that I begin this month's report with sad news that our friend and comrade, Carl Deliteris has passed away after staging a courageous battle against his illness. He was an asset and devoted member of Post 803. He will be sorely missed by all of us. Rest In Peace, Carl! Charlotte and Carl's family are in our thoughts and prayers.



The American Legion fiscal year for membership runs from June to July each year. Therefore, in the month of June each year we have an election of officers. An election was held at our June monthly business meeting and we elected the same slate of officers as the previous year. Those officers names are listed on the back page of our monthly Reporter. We are still looking for a volunteer to fill the position of Adjutant. I want to thank member Ray Mitchell for stepping up to become an additional member to get certified with the Suffolk County Dept of Health by completing a food manager's course. The other member of Post 803 that holds that certification is Jan Powers. We are required to have at least one food manager certified and registered with the County to comply with County regulations.

Activities scheduled for this month include; the annual 4th of July Parade. Members, Color Guard, Sons of the Legion and Auxiliary that will be participating in this year's parade should assemble at the corner of Boisseau Avenue and the Main Road next to Wayside Market at 11:30 AM. We should be stepping off to march to the Legion from that location at 12 PM.

The Auxiliary will be hosting their annual Summer Fair on July 15th here on the Legion grounds. More information regarding vendor space and what takes place can be obtained by contacting Priscilla at 631.779.3462 or Priscilla516@aol.com.

Our 30th Annual Golf Outing was a huge success! Thank you to all who supported this event. A great deal of time and effort went into planning and executing this fund-raising event. We must thank our Golf Outing Chairman, Bob Bittner! The members of the Golf Outing Committee as well as non-committee members deserve special Thanks for all their hard work. Bob Scott, Mike Burke, Dave Chiaro, Neil Rochford, Don Grim, Ty Cochran, Gary Iorio, Jim Maino, Lan Courier, Bill Egan, Alan Goldsmith, Paul Kreiling, Mort Kelly, Bill Ryan, Sherry Steele, Dan Melhado, Al Rava, Jeff Chagnon and Mark Gray.

My report this month is relatively brief. So I will include some snippets of information regarding background trivial details about me. David Edward DeFriest, born and raised a North Fork Native, home grown, lived in Southold all my life. We all had nicknames growing up. Mine were Davey, Little Eddie, Duba (Doobah), which I am still called to this day. One of my hobbies was racing. Over the years I have competed in hydroplane, go kart, stock cars, legend race cars, and lawn mower racing. I have been a Funeral Director for 52 years, Times/Review Newspaper delivery person for the last 17 years, employed as a Courier for the Suffolk County Treasurer for 15 years, retiring from that position two years ago, owned the Cutchogue Diner for two years, and cur-

2023 Queen of Hearts Game
The Queen is still on the board. Please support this last QOH fundraiser as this will be the last QOH board after this queen is revealed. Good luck to all!!

If you want to purchase tickets, please contact Jan Powers 914.213.8467 or email GalaxyFCC@gmail.com.

rently employed part time at Marion Gardens in East Marion delivering organic herbs & vegetables. In addition to the funeral homes, my family owned and operated DeFriest Ambulance service from 1950 to 1980. Now you know the scoop, the 411, the straight skinny. Not that you needed to know, but you got it anyway. I hope everyone has a great summer.

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David E. DeFriest,

Post 803 Commander

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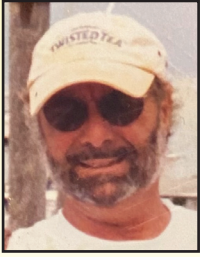


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★ ★ CHAPLAIN'S REPORT ★ ★



REST IN PEACE - CARL M. DELITERIS, a U S Army veteran who was awarded the Purple Heart while serving in Vietnam, passed on June 5th at the age of 76. The American Legion Wake Service was conducted at the DeFriest Grattan Funeral Home on June 11th. Special thanks to Earl Brock for his heartfelt and emotional eulogy which had us both laughing and crying. Special thanks to all our Legionnaires and the Ladies Auxiliary for an outstanding turnout. Carl was an exceptional man who loved his family, his friends and his country with all his heart and soul. He was a true American Hero who was dearly loved by all of us. May his soul rest in peace.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK - *O God, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that you would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them feel the healing power of Your love. Amen.*

In our thoughts and prayers are John King and Henry Santacroce Sr.

"Teach us to give and not count the cost." - St. Ignatius de Loyola

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★ ★ MEMBERSHIP ★ ★



Post Status: We currently have **188/207 (90.8%)** paid up members for 2023. We are several weeks away from the start of the 2024 membership year. We still have 20 membership ID cards to send out for 2023. The goal is to finish the 2023 membership year before the end of July.

New Members are welcome: To contact the Post, use P.O. Box 591, Attn. Membership, [Legion Auxiliary Attn: Donna St Pierre, Sons of Legion Attn: Gary Iorio

Post 803 Legionnaire Membership Requirements: To join Post 803, for Legionnaires you need to submit an American Legion Membership application, a copy of your DD-214 or discharge, and \$50 for annual dues. All membership correspondence should be sent to Post 803, Attn. Membership, P.O. Box 591, Southold, NY 11971. Thanks for your support of Post 803.

Bob Cochran, *Membership Chairman*, 631.765.5828

★ ★ SONS OF THE LEGION ★ ★



Thanks to all for attending this year's Memorial Day events, they are the core of what the Legion stands for. Also, a great turnout for this year's golf outing! Special thanks for all who helped out and participated, it was a fantastic event and the weather was perfect!

June brought us the sad news of the passing of Legion member Carl Deliteris. I met Carl a few years back at a Legion event. I learned about his service to our country and how it affected his life. He was awarded the Purple Heart, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and Rifle badge for his service in the Republic of Vietnam. Carl was proud of his military service, and I was honored to know him. Carl mentioned he was grateful for the Veterans Administrations programs that helped him through the difficult times he suffered after leaving the service. Meeting Carl was one of the reasons I got involved in the Legion Sons, as he spoke highly of his involvement in the Legion. Our condolences go out to Charlotte, and the Deliteris Family. RIP Carl, we will never forget! It was truly an honor to know you. God Bless America and God Bless the United States Military.

Gary Iorio, SAL Commander



Your attendance at the Post is appreciated and Legionnaires are encouraged to attend our monthly meeting. As Veterans we share a bond of service to our country.



Some of us faced our enemy on the front lines, while others served where they were sent. "I was never anywhere so good that it couldn't have been better or anywhere so bad that it couldn't get worse" was the saying.

Well, we are home now, settled in a great part of the country and we are all grateful for that. The Legion was started after World War 1 and our Preamble tells us why. Together we can help lead our community.

The Legion is a volunteer organization trying to teach our posterity the principles of Justice, Freedom, and Democracy. Come on down to the Post meet others who have served and get the feeling of Pride back.

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By David A Chiaro
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★ ★ LEGION AUXILIARY POST 803 ★ ★

Welcome July! On July 4th we will participate in the parade at 12 noon in Southold. Fly your flag and come down and celebrate our country's 247th birthday and the liberty, freedom, and endless opportunities available to us all!

July also brings our Annual Summer Fair, this year on Saturday July 15th from 8AM to 2PM. We will have over 20 vendors both inside the Legion Hall and out on the lawn, including unique arts and crafts, jewelry, baked goods, antiques, and yard sale booths. There will be children's games and face painting from 12PM to 2PM. Hot dogs will be available. Come join the festivities!

On May 31st the Auxiliary hosted an event at San Simeon with Larry Liso singing songs from Frank Sinatra, Tony Bennett and many other popular singers of that era. Thank you Rose, Denise, Priscilla and Linda for organizing this wonderful afternoon! The residents really enjoyed the interaction and were swaying with the music. We presented the Veterans there with USA hats and everyone enjoyed ice cream sandwiches. We are all anxious to plan another musical event in the fall.

Thanks go to Donna and her Poppy Committee for all their hard work in May! We want to thank the community for an overwhelming response to our annual Poppy Drive. Special thanks go to the Raymond Cleaves Post 861 Commander Rob DeVito, who stopped by our Annual Poppy Drive Thru with a generous donation. Also a big thank you to Overton Day for his donation in memory of five young men who gave their all while he served in the 173rd Engineers Company, 173rd Airborne Brigade in 1968-1969: Sgt. Dayton Joseph Hooks, Sgt. Peter Lowell Russell, Sp4 Charles Robert Bales, Sp4 Newell Ferrell Leigh Jr., and Cpl. Terry Teruo Kawamura. May we never forget their sacrifice.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to Charlotte DeLiteris and her family as they mourn the loss of Carl. He was always there to support the Auxiliary, by taking photos, helping at events, and enjoying Margie's chili at the Holiday Craft Fair! Rest in Peace, Carl, we will miss you.

We recently held our Annual Installation and Initiation Ceremonies. Our officers remained the same and we welcomed four of our new members. The Auxiliary from Shelter Island joined us along with four officials from Suffolk County American Legion Auxiliary who conducted the ceremonies. We enjoyed a light meal together. Thank you Wendy Zuhoski for donating the macaroni salad! You are always there to support the community.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, August 27th, for the Annual Legion Car Show - always a fun event! Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, July 12th, at 7:00 PM.

Joan Cochran, *President*



KOREAN WAR ARMISTICE AGREEMENT, JULY 27, 1953;
Treaties and Other International Agreements Series #2782; General Records of the United States Government; Record Group 11; National Archives. This armistice signed on July 27, 1953, formally ended the war in Korea.

Bob Bittner, Military History



— 2023 GOALS —

1. Volunteer member to step up to fill the position of Adjutant vacated by Dave DeFriest to record the minutes of our monthly business meetings.
2. ~~Volunteer to take Department of Health Food Certificate Course~~
3. ~~Bar Face Lift: Project Manager is Dave Chiaro~~
4. Look Into New Legion Hall Ceiling: Project Manager Joe St. Pierre
5. Look Into Fire Alarm System: Project Manager Joe St. Pierre
6. Gather List of Emails of all Members and Friends of the Legion: Project Manager is Jeff Chagnon

— LONG-TERM GOALS —

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 9/11 Memorial Tree Pavers 2. Renovation of 2nd Floor 3. Emergency Exit for 2nd Floor 4. Bar Makeover 5. Bathrooms Renovation (Handicap Accessible) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Basement Walls Coating for Brick Deterioration Mitigation 7. Pavilion 8. Exterior of Post Painted/Stained 9. Renovation of Second Floor Bathroom and Rooms |
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If you can help out with the Auxiliary's Summer Fair, please contact Priscilla Devine at 516.633.8332 or Priscilla516@aol.com

CAR SHOW

Volunteers are also needed for the Car Show on Sunday August 27th and 50/50 sellers too. Contact Denise if you can help 631.466.2527 or msvater69@aol.com

QUEEN OF HEARTS

We need volunteers if we are going to continue holding our Queen of Hearts drawing on a weekly basis. Jan Powers will be stepping down once the Queen of Hearts is drawn. Two to three people would be ideal so we can have back up when one person is not available.

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07/07 Fri.	Bar is open 6:30PM and QOH drawing at 8PM
07/11 Tues.	Executive and Business Meeting: Bar 6:30PM Meeting 7:00PM
07/12 Wed.	Auxiliary Meeting 7PM
07/14 Fri.	Bar is open 6:30PM and QOH drawing at 8PM
07/14 Fri.	Auxiliary Summer Fair Set up 6PM
07/15 Sat.	Auxiliary Summer Fair 8AM to 2PM
07/21 Fri.	Bar is open 6:30PM and QOH drawing at 8PM
07/28 Fri.	Bar is open 6:30PM and QOH drawing at 8PM
08/04 Fri.	Bar is open 6:30PM and QOH drawing at 8PM
08/08 Tues.	Executive and Business Meeting: Bar 6:30PM Meeting 7:00PM
08/09 Wed.	Auxiliary Meeting 7pm
08/11 Fri.	Bar is open 6:30PM and QOH drawing at 8PM
08/18 Fri.	Bar is open 6:30PM and QOH drawing at 8PM
08/25 Fri.	Bar is open 6:30PM and QOH drawing at 8PM
08/25 Fri.	Car Show Setup 6PM
08/27 Sun.	Annual Car Show: 9AM - 3PM



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 1st Vice Commander - Jeff Chagnon
 2nd Vice Commander - Vacant
 Past Commander - Earl Brock
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 1st Finance Assistant - Mort Kelly
 2nd Finance Assistant - Raymond Terry
 Sergeant at Arms - Neil Rochford
 Chaplain - Jeff Chagnon
 Post Historian - TBD
 Membership Chair - Bob Cochran

★★ SAL OFFICERS ★★

Commander - Gary Iorio
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 2nd Vice - Michael Anasagasti
 Adjutant - Brian Hughes
 Treasurer - Brian Hughes
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 Chaplain - Daniel Kaelin
 Historian - Douglas Kalvns

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