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GRISWOLD TERRY GLOVER POST 803

AUGUST 2022

★ ★ COMMANDER'S REPORT ★ ★



Hello Fellow Legionnaires & Friends of the Legion:

What an exciting summer this has turned out to be. The Legion is back up and running on all cylinders. The Auxiliary held their annual Summer Sale on July 16th and the Legion helped sponsor the Warrior Reunion Foundation reunion for some of the Soldiers that I served with in Afghanistan. Read this month's Historian column for more details. We have a lot going on in the next few months. Bingo is still being held on Tuesday and I want to say thank you to Bob Cochran for stepping up to support Earl Brock. Earl Brock has been a pillar of dedication to the Legion ever since I first stepped foot in the post. He has faithfully kept Bingo going and frankly he kept the Post from going under while he was commander. We have a debt of gratitude to pay to Earl. In August we have our annual Car Show on Sunday the 28 and in September we have two additional major events. The Walk4Valor will take place at the Legion on Saturday the 17th. The Walk4Valor will raise awareness and funding for measures to help reduce Veteran suicide and support the education of military families. This year the walk is divided into segments so that more people may participate. You may choose to even support by registering as a virtual walker. Take a look at the flyer and use your phone to go to the website for more details. Last but not least is our Annual Golf Classic to be held at Islands End Golf Club on Monday, September 26th. This is one of our biggest fundraisers so please come out and support by golfing, buying a raffle ticket, sponsoring a sign or simply donating to the cause. Let's keep Americanism alive on the North Fork and one way to do this is to ensure the Legion stays viable. So many Legions are closing their doors and it is my mission to keep our doors open and thriving with activity. We need volunteers to help out at all of these events so if you want to volunteer then reach out to me for golf and the following for the Car Show 631.466.2527 or msvater69@aol.com. I also want to thank Jan Powers for all of his hard work over the winter to keep the post active by organizing bands to come and play at the Post. We hope to continue these activities that will provide the community a fun place to come and relax while supporting all of our Veteran missions.



For God and Country, God Bless,
 Charles J. Sanders,
 Post 803 Commander
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**2022 Queen of Hearts Game:
THE QUEEN IS BACK!**

Queen of Hearts Winner WINS \$1002
 Jackpot as of 7/22/22 \$1670

Jackpot is now \$2,700

If you want to purchase tickets,
 please contact Jan Powers 914-213-8467
 or email GalaxyFCC@gmail.com.

★ ★ CHAPLAIN'S REPORT ★ ★

At this time I have nothing new to report. I hope and pray that everyone is well and that we are all enjoying our beautiful North Fork summer.

Jeff Chagnon, Post Chaplin Home: 631.765.6077 • Cell: 631.456.3258

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

★★ VETERANS BENEFITS “CORNER” ★★

MILITARY RETIREES AND DEPENDENTS WITH ID CARDS THAT DON'T EXPIRE NEED TO GET REPLACEMENTS WITHIN 4 YEARS

Retirees and military family members who have identification cards with no expiration date can choose to upgrade to the new **Next Generation Uniform Services Identification, or USID**, cards whenever it's convenient -- as long as it's done within the next four years, according to the Defense Department. There is no looming deadline for use of those old non-active duty cards without expiration dates, but the department expects to completely phase out and replace them with the next-generation IDs, which are more durable and have enhanced security features, by 2026. DoD plans to phase out and cancel the existing card forms in 2026, after then, only the USID card will be accepted for installation and benefits access. The USID format for military retirees and dependents represents a new design closely resembling the Common Access Card, or CAC, format issued to active-duty troops and department civilians. Those with cards with no expiration dates "may have the card replaced at their convenience," it is recommended to go to the **ID Card Office Online** (<https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/>) and use the office locator to find a site that issues the new cards and book an appointment. Retirees and their dependents, dependents of active-duty troops, reserve members and Medal of Honor recipients are among those who will receive the USID cards. A description of the new cards and a complete **list of who is eligible can be found here:** (<https://www.cac.mil/Next-Generation-Uniformed-Services-ID-Card/>)

By David Chiaro, keyarrow@hotmail.com

★★ HISTORIAN ★★

War is Over. Now What?

Some of the most impactful moments in a Veteran's life are those experienced while on a deployment. These moments are shared with those one deploys with but often these fellow Veterans are never seen again after returning home. For some the moments shared are horrific moments scorched into memories or tattooed upon the flesh. We are all very familiar with the acronym PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder). Many Veterans suffer from PTSD and it is very difficult for them to find meaningful ways to address it in their personal lives. Sometimes simply talking to fellow Veterans is a healthy way to process the effects of PTSD. Recently the Legion supported my Afghanistan reunion through the Warrior Reunion Foundation. I did not really understand just how impactful the reunion would be until it was complete. The reunion granted a group of Veterans the opportunity to sit around a fire and joke about the good times and the bad times during the deployment. It granted the guys and opportunity to connect with family members of Soldier's lost and our local community members that were impacted by 9/11. Our Sons of the Legion commander Gary Iorio and SAL member Brian Hughes immediately connected with Soldiers that were inspired to join the military because of what the NYPD and NYC Fire Fighters sacrificed on that horrible day. Other Veterans like Bob Scott shared his experiences in Vietnam creating an immediate connection with today's current warriors. We held a memorial service for those lost in combat and those lost after combat to ensure we honored their duty. This ceremony was made more meaningful by the participation of volunteers helping with the reunion and the presence of Auxiliary members that work so hard to help our local Veterans. This reunion would not have been successful if not for so many that volunteered their time and resources. Dean and Jamie Eichorn cooked up their "Nice Bun" sliders for all to enjoy as attendees arrived on their first day at Cliff Cornell's farm. He provided a safe place for the guys to bunk and relax as well as coordinating a fishing trip and dinner at the Wayside restaurant. Daryl Ketchum the president of the Mattituck Gun club hosted the guys and provided ammo for them to shoot. Tina Ginas cooked amazing cookies the guys devoured while simultaneously consuming tasty beer provided by the Greenport Harbor Brewing Company. Jamie Ginas provided cigars the guys smoked while sitting around the firepit reminiscing. The Auxiliary and the Legionnaires provided funds to help support needed supplies to include water, Gatorade, BBQ food and supplies and North Fork Sanitation provided a dumpster for the reunion's aftermath. All of this would never have occurred if it were not for the Warrior Reunion Team. I cannot say enough about this organization. The reunion's they sponsor have a **DIRECT POSITIVE** impact on the lives of those that risked it all so that we may have the freedoms we enjoy. I'm asked all the time, "Charles, what organizations would you suggest I donate to?" My reply will always be, "The Warrior Reunion Foundation." Here is their website: <https://www.warriorreunionfoundation.org>

Charles J. Sanders, Post 803 Commander & Historian



★★ MEMBERSHIP ★★



Post Status: We currently have 187/205 (91.2%) paid up members for 2022. You can still submit your dues for 2022. The National American Legion (Indianapolis) sent out Annual Membership Dues Notices for 2023. You can send in your dues for 2023 to GTG Post 803 and we will send out your 2023 membership ID cards as soon as they come in from the Suffolk County American Legion. Don't get excited about your 2023 Dues Notice stating "Member since 2022", they are having issues with their new membership database. Keep calm, send in your dues, we will win.

New Members: New Members are always welcome to contact the Post, use P.O. Box 591 Attn: Membership

Ladies Auxiliary: Membership point of contact is Donna St Pierre

Sons of Legion: Membership point of contact is 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 supporting Post 803

Bob Cochran, Membership Chairman, 631 765 5828

★★ LEGION AUXILIARY POST 803 ★★

August is here so mark your calendars for the Annual Legion Car Show! This year it will be held on Sunday August 28th. Volunteers are always welcome. There will be classic cars, music, raffles, vendors and a food truck. We are looking forward to another great event and a fun time! The Auxiliary Summer Fair was a fundraising success thanks to the efforts of Priscilla Devine and her hard-working committee! Marlene, Janique, Mimi, Barbara and Margie did a great job with the hot dogs! Priscilla, Joan Cear, Camille, Donna and myself sold raffles etc. Rose helped with set-up, Denise helped by phone with getting the music going, and we all enjoyed Donna's crumb cake! A big thank you goes out to Ty, Carlisle, Neil, EJ, Joe, Gary and Rob for all their help as well. And Linda Ruland put together a beautiful basket for our raffle! Thank you Linda for your generous donation!

If you are a veteran who could use our help, especially in these trying financial times, or if you know of a Veteran in need, please send a note to the Auxiliary at PO Box 591 in Southold. We are always reaching out a helping hand with gift cards and needed items to get our veterans and active military and their families through rough times.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 10th, at 7:00pm. Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Joan Cochran, President

★★ SONS OF THE LEGION ★★



OUR HISTORY "The Sons of The American Legion was created in 1932 as an organization within The American Legion. The SAL is made up of boys and men of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the United States military and became eligible for membership in The American Legion. Together, members of The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of The American Legion make up what is known as the Legion Family. All three organizations place high importance on preserving our American traditions and values, improving the quality of life for our nation's children, caring for veterans and their families, and perhaps most importantly, teaching the fundamentals of good citizenship." Quote from Legion.org

Gary Iorio, SAL Commander

VOLUNTEER CORNER

- **URGENT** Need for volunteers to help out with Bingo on Tuesday's starting in March. Earl Broek needs your help from 12-3:30 pm so we can keep Bingo alive. You can text Earl at 516-901-3228 or call the Commander at the Post and leave a message, 631-765-2276. *Thank You Bob Cochran and other volunteers for stepping up.*
- We need a new **ABC (Alcoholic Beverage Control) Officer** for the Post. *Thank You Dave Chiaro for Volunteering.*
- **WE NEED A NEW HOUSE-AND-GROUNDS MEMBER** to help manage projects and keep the Post facility in good working order. If you are good with projects around the house and you like fixing or working on projects then this job is perfect for you. Please contact the commander for more information or ask Joe St. Pierre as he has been tirelessly holding this position for years.
- **CAR SHOW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** Contact 631.466.2527 or msvater69@aol.com

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- 2022 GOALS -

1. Investigation of 2nd Floor Emergency Exit (Internal or External):
Project Managers are Boy Scout/Girl Scout Leadership
2. Set of Building Plans for the Post to Assist with Future Vision: Project Manager/Architect Needed
3. Outdoor Sign Installed: Project Manager is the Commander
4. Execution of Roof Replacement and Repair: Project Manager Needed (Estimates already complete)
5. ~~Paint Both Exterior Entrances: Project Manager is Boy Scout Leadership Not Cost Effective~~
6. Go Fund Me Page/Amazon Smile: Project Manager is Cub Scout Leadership
7. Fundraising Thermometer Installed after project costs developed: Project Manager is Commander
8. ~~ATM for Events: Project Manager is Jan Powers Not Cost Effective~~
9. Paint Interior of Main Hall and Entrance: Project Manager Needed
10. ~~New White Boards for Organization: Project Manager Jan Powers Thank You Jan Powers!~~
11. Fixing the Handicap Signs in Parking Lot: Project Manager is Cub Scout Leadership
12. ~~Major Cleaning of Hall to Include Waxing Floors: Project Manager is Commander
Thank You Southold Cleaners!~~
13. Investigate the Repair, Replacement and or Exposure of Main Hall Ceiling to Improve Aesthetic of Main Hall: Project Manager Needed
14. Install Picture Molding in Hall to Keep Tape off Walls and Provide Picture Molding Wire:
Project Manager Needed
15. Install an Automated External Defibrillator: Project Manager Ty Cochran
16. Ring Camera and Motion Detection Outdoor Light System Installed: Project Manager is the Commander
17. Investigate and Prepare Plans for Pavilion: (Preliminary Cost Estimate Complete)
Thank You Jeff Chagnon for volunteering to be Project Manager!
18. ~~Investigate Point of Sale System for Bar: Project Manager is Dave Chiaro Not Cost Effective~~
19. ~~Organize Kitchen Cabinets and Re-Stock Salt/Pepper and Other Items for 2022: Project Manager
Needed but Will Work with Jan Powers Thank You WRF Volunteers and Auxiliary!~~
20. ~~New Reusable Patriotic Table Centerpieces for Events (20 Needed): Thank You Auxiliary!~~
21. Another Legion Clean Out Event to Keep the Post Clean & Organized: Project Manager is the Commander
22. ~~Department of Health Class Taken and Certification: Thank You Jan Powers!~~
23. New House and Grounds Member Identified to Assist with Overall Maintenance of Facility:
Will be Trained by Joe St Pierre

- LONG-TERM GOALS -

1. 9/11 Memorial Tree Pavers
2. Renovation of 2nd Floor
3. Emergency Exit for 2nd Floor
4. Bar Makeover
5. ~~Point of Sale (POS) System for the Bar
Not Cost Effective~~
6. Bathrooms Renovation (Handicap Accessible)
7. Basement Walls Coating for
Brick Deterioration Mitigation
8. Pavilion
9. Exterior of Post Painted/Stained

22 VETERANS A DAY DIE BY SUICIDE

SATURDAY SEPT 17 2022

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START AT AMERICAN LEGION POST 803 IN SOUTHOLD AND TRAVERSE ROUTE 25 THROUGH THE VILLAGE OF GREENPORT TO ROUTE 48 STOPPING AT EACH LOCAL FIRE HOUSE AND AMERICAN LEGION TO HONOR THE FALLEN. TURNAROUND AT ORIENT FIRE HOUSE AND END AT THE SOUTHOLD FIRE HOUSE.

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08/05 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
08/09 Tues.	Golf Committee Meeting: 5:30PM
08/09 Tues.	Executive and Business Meeting: Bar 6:30PM • Meeting 7:30PM
08/10 Wed.	Auxiliary Meeting: 7PM
08/12 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
08/19 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
08/26 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
08/28 Sun.	Annual Car Show: 9AM-3PM
09/02 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
09/09 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
09/13 Tues.	Golf Committee Meeting: 5:30PM
09/13 Tues.	Executive and Business Meeting: Bar 6:30PM • Meeting 7:30PM
09/14 Wed.	Auxiliary Meeting: 7PM
09/16 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
09/17 Sat.	Walk4Valor: 8AM
09/23 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
09/26 Mon.	Annual Golf Classic Islands End 12:30 Shotgun
09/30 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM



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