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# THE REPORTER

## GRISWOLD TERRY GLOVER POST 803

SEPTEMBER 2022

### ★ ★ COMMANDER'S REPORT ★ ★



Hello Fellow Legionnaires & Friends of the Legion:

Do you know what is great about being a Legionnaire? It is witnessing when fellow Legionnaires go out of their way to make a difference. I want to thank John Christina for identifying something that needed to be done and just getting it done. Just like the former attender of the Bingo sign Harold Schwerdt, John got out the paint and went to work. Check out the before and after photos. I also want to thank the Boy Scouts for coming to the aid of the Legion when a large tree branch fell and we had some junk "Deposited" next to our dumpsters that we needed removed.



We all get aggravated when we see the aftermath of thoughtless people that leave it to others to clean up their mess so it is so nice to see the opposite when people execute good deeds.



**Volunteerism is so important to the stability of a community.** The government can't do everything and I hope we don't expect the government to do everything because this would translate into the loss of our individual freedoms. The more we rely on the government to provide us "Things" the more we are beholden to follow what that government says in order to keep getting those "Things." I don't know about you but so far in my life I have learned that anything that is given comes at some type of price. Another great example of volunteerism was witnessed over the weekend during the car show. The community really came out to support this event. Denise Thilberg, E.J. Flynn, and Joan Cochran were instrumental in making this event a success. E.J. Flynn came up with the ideal to have a VA representative come to the Car Show and Joe Sledge came out. Joe sat at a table in the hall helping Veterans navigate the VA process. Thank you Joe! In the background of the Car Show was the Vendettas' band rocking throughout the day. WLNG drove out their bus and Bill Evans spent the day interviewing attendees and plugging our events. Thank you Bill! I have to say that Donna St Pierre must not be able to make any more crumb cake for the Car Show. It was absolutely too delicious to just have one piece. We all have to hit the gym after woofing down several servings each ☺ Thank you Fire Department for loaning us your Big 6 game. Tina Ginas and Greg Schlacter worked the game providing a lot of additional fun for the day. The NJROTC came out and supported us at the entrances and countless other Auxiliary and Legionnaires came out to support the event. **Thank You All!**



We still have three big events to accomplish before we end the year. Please come out and support the Legion's efforts to combat Veteran suicide by sponsoring or registering to walk with us face-to-face or virtually at our **Walk4Valor event Saturday, September 17th**. The American Legion **Golf Classic is on Monday, September 26th** at Islands End. Come out and golf or sponsor a hole as this is one of our primary fundraising events. Last but not least is our annual **Chicken BBQ on Saturday, October 8th**. Come on down and eat with us or choose to take your Chicken to go.

For God and Country, God Bless,  
Charles J. Sanders,  
Post 803 Commander  
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## ★★ HISTORIAN ★★

*The anniversary of 9/11 is around the corner. Imagine what Veterans of Afghanistan and Iraq feel like around this time. That is why we are supporting the Walk4/Valor. Please consider registering to walk some or all of the 22-miles. You can also register virtually. The cost is only \$30. We can say we want to combat Veteran Suicide in words or actually do something in deeds.*

**Charles J. Sanders,**  
**Post 803 Commander & Historian**



# 22

**VETERANS DAY  
DIE BY SUICIDE**



**SATURDAY SEPT 17  
2022**

**SUPPORT THIS IMPORTANT CAUSE**

JOIN NATIONAL GUARD OFFICER MAJOR CHARLES J. SANDERS FOR 22-MILES OR CHOOSE SEGMENTS OF THE ROUTE TO WALK.

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.

WALK4VALOR WILL RAISE AWARENESS AND FUNDING FOR MEASURES TO HELP REDUCE VETERAN SUICIDE AND SUPPORT THE EDUCATION OF MILITARY FAMILIES.

WALK4VALOR IS PRODUCED BY THE BOB FELLER ACT OF VALOR AWARD FOUNDATION, A 501(C)(3) TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION.



All net proceeds support scholarships for military families and initiatives that assist veterans in crisis. Through an alliance with Mission Roll Call, we help advocate for policies that help reverse the trend of veteran suicide in America.

**Join us and help create awareness for this tragedy.  
WE WALK FOR VALOR!**



**INFORMATION  
REGISTRATION**

## ★★ VETERANS BENEFITS "CORNER" ★★

### **RECORD PAY INCREASE LIKELY COMING FOR DISABLED VETERANS AND MILITARY RETIREES IN 2023**

The annual VA disability pay and military retirement cost-of-living pay adjustment, known as COLA, is typically tied to the Social Security rate change, which will likely be announced in October. An early projection based on national inflation data by The Senior Citizens League (TSCL), a nonpartisan senior advocacy nonprofit, estimates rates will rise by 9.6%. That increase would be the highest veterans and seniors have seen since 1981, when it went up 11.2% in response to inflation at the time, according to a TSCL press release. For 2023, that means military retirees would see an average increase of more than \$240 in their monthly retirement checks. Veterans receiving disability compensation from the VA also would see their monthly disability payments increase, with the average monthly amount going up by more than \$150. TSCL's estimate is based on the CPI through July. But with several months left to go, the ultimate increase could vary slightly from the projection. For example, if inflation continues to increase, the COLA raise could be as high as 10.01%, they said. If inflation falls below the recent average, the increase could dip to 9.3%. The anticipated record increase would be the second year running of such bumps. For 2022, the raise was 5.9%, which followed an average 1.5% increase over the 10 years prior

**By David Chiaro, [keyarrow@hotmail.com](mailto:keyarrow@hotmail.com)**

## ★★ CHAPLAIN'S REPORT ★★

**Sick Call** - As we are getting older many of our members are suffering from various illnesses and afflictions. Please don't forget to remember them in your prayers. It may not seem like much but it is truly a lot. I am reluctant to place their names in this report without speaking to them or their families first. I'll make it a point to reach out to them before my next report.

**Color Guard** - The ranks of our Color Guard have been getting thin of late. If there are any members out there (The Son's of the Legion included) who wish to participate please give me a call. It is a great honor to celebrate our great country and remember our dead by carrying the flag.

Jeff Chagnon, *Post Chaplin*

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*"God often speaks to us through our children and the afflicted."*



# ★ 2022 CAR SHOW ★



## ★★ MEMBERSHIP ★★



**Post Status:** We currently have **187/205 (91.2%)** paid up members for 2022. If you are one of the 15 members who could still pay your dues for 2022 please do and maintain your continuous years of membership. For the membership year of 2023 we have **79/193 (40.9%)** paid up members for 2023. All paid up members for 2023 have had their ID cards mailed out except paid up for life members who have their membership cards sent out by the National American Legion (Indianapolis). If you have a 2023 Membership card disregard the renewal notices sent through the mail.

**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 ★★

As I write this we are gearing up for the Annual Legion Car Show. We would like to send out a big thank you to our WLNG sponsors who make it possible to have the mobile radio bus at the Car Show: Island Portables, San Simeon by the Sound, Mullen Motors, Sound Side Landscaping, and CJM Carpentry. And thanks to our sponsor, Tina Ginas - Neora Brand Partner, for paying for the printing of our 50/50 tickets.

We are sad to report the passing of Carol Terry, who was a longtime member of the American Legion Auxiliary. We remember her fondly. Carol was always committed to our mission. May she Rest In Peace.

As summer comes to an end and autumn unfolds we look forward to cool, crisp days. September brings the Walk of Valor and the Legion Golf Outing. And mark your calendars for the Auxiliary Holiday Craft Fair on Sunday November 6th. One line of the Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion Auxiliary states: "To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation." By educating ourselves and preparing to cast our vote on Election Day we can help to accomplish this aim. Now is the time to be sure you are registered to vote. Encourage everyone to do their civic duty. It is both our right and our responsibility to support this great country and vote!

Our next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 14th, at 7:00PM.** Looking forward to seeing you all!  
Joan Cochran, President

## ★★ SONS OF THE LEGION ★★



I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer.

The SAL welcomes new members Kevin Mitchell and Francisco Dominguez both sons of WWII veterans. With September 11th upon us we reflect on that day 21 years ago. The thousands of innocent people who were lost that day, killed by terrorists who wanted to destroy our nation. Never forget the heroic response of our police, firefighters, and United States Military. Lots of events on the legion calendar so come on down and get involved we have more great events coming up. Hope to see you at the Legion golf outing!

Gary Iorio, SAL Commander

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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 —

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 9/11 Memorial Tree Pavers</li> <li>2. Renovation of 2nd Floor</li> <li>3. Emergency Exit for 2nd Floor</li> <li>4. Bar Makeover</li> <li>5. <del>Point of Sale (POS) System for the Bar<br/>Not Cost Effective</del></li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Bathrooms Renovation (Handicap Accessible)</li> <li>7. Basement Walls Coating for Brick Deterioration Mitigation</li> <li>8. Pavilion</li> <li>9. Exterior of Post Painted/Stained</li> </ol> |
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## VOLUNTEER CORNER

**WALK4VALOR WATER CHECKPOINT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED  
AND GOLF CLASSIC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.**

**Call or Text Charles 631.702.3083**



*Before & After Bingo Sign!*



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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
<b>MEETING DATE CHANGE OCTOBER</b>	
10/04 Tues.	Executive and Business Meeting: Bar 6:30PM Meeting 7:30PM
10/07 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
10/08 Sat.	Chicken BBQ 4:PM to 7PM
10/12 Wed.	Auxiliary Meeting: 7PM
10/14 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
10/21 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM
10/28 Fri.	Bar is Open 6:30PM and Queen of Hearts Drawing 8PM



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 2nd Vice Commander - Vacant  
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 Finance Officer - Jim Cowan  
 1st Finance Assistant - Mort Kelly  
 2nd Finance Assistant - Raymond Terry  
 Sergeant at Arms - Neil Rochford  
 Chaplain - Jeff Chagnon  
 Post Historian - Charles J. Sanders  
 Membership Chair - Bob Cochran

★★ SAL OFFICERS ★★

Commander - Gary Iorio  
 1st Vice - Rich Feely  
 2nd Vice - Michael Anasagasti  
 Adjutant - Brian Hughes  
 Treasurer - Brian Hughes  
 Sergeant at Arms - Jonathan Bitner  
 Chaplain - Daniel Kaelin  
 Historian - Douglas Kalvns

★★ AUXILIARY OFFICERS ★★

President - Joan Cochran  
 Vice Pres - Denise Thilberg  
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