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THE REPORTER

GRISWOLD TERRY GLOVER POST 803

AUGUST 2021

★ ★ COMMANDER'S REPORT ★ ★



Hello Fellow Legionnaires & Friends of the Legion:

July was sure off to a hot start. I think everyone will be cringing at their electric bill. We have a lot of great events coming up at the Legion. We are starting a new Queen of Hearts Game now that Erick Heins won the \$4,614.00 jackpot. The new jackpot is already up to \$732.00 for the winner. Let's keep this game rolling. We have two major events coming up with the Car Show on Sunday the 29th and the Annual Golf Classic Monday the 27th of September. These events keep the post going and we look to you to help support our efforts. We will be voting at our August meeting for our new slate of officers. We need one major role fulfilled. This is a very important role and without a volunteer to take this role on we will have to drastically reduce the activities of the Post. We need a new Treasurer. As commander I can't take on this role. We absolutely need a competent person to take on this challenge to keep the Post going. If you have a background in finance or have the basic skills necessary to balance a checkbook, please consider becoming our treasurer. This is a perfect job for someone that is retired and would like to contribute to the Post's success. Please contact me by phone at 631-702-3083 if you are interested in becoming our **Treasurer**. Our past treasurer has done a fantastic job, but he has done it for a long time and he needs a break. He will not be able to continue past the end of this year. I look forward to seeing everyone at our events and thank all of you that take the time out of your day to help promote Americanism.



ELECTION OF LEGION OFFICERS

We will be voting for our next slate of Legion officers at our August 10th meeting. COVID-19 has disrupted our normal election calendar so we need to be flexible in 2021. If you or anyone you know would like to run or be considered for the following positions, please attend our August 10th meeting at 7:30PM. The slate of officers are as follows:

Commander, 1st Vice Commander, 2nd Vice Commander, 3rd Vice Commander, Adjutant, **Finance Officer i.e. Treasurer**, Sergeant at Arms, Chaplain, Historian, Service Officer. You would like to learn more about these positions you may go to Legion.org and type in the search bar 2021 Officer's Guide. This will help you have a better understanding of the duties and responsibilities of each position. You will find what you are looking for starting on page 8 with Post Commander onward.

THANK ALL OF YOU THAT HAVE CONTRIBUTED TOWARD THE BOB BITTNER STIMULUS CHALLENGE: MG Kropp, Mr. John L. Hanna, Mr. & Mrs. Bob Scott, Mr. & Mrs. Harris, Charles Salice, Allan Goldsmith, John Foster, Frank Sannino, John Ship, Anne and Paul Kraehling, Clare and Stanley Sledz, Walter Strohmeier, Gary Iorio, Mike Burke, Timothy Hollowell, Hellen

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★ ★ CHAPLIN'S REPORT ★ ★

REST IN PEACE

Our dear friend and Comrade **George J. Baldwin** passed at the age of 93 on June 5th. George served in the US Marine Corps from 1946 to 1950 where attained the rank of sergeant. He was a Nassau County Police Officer for thirty-seven years and retired at the rank of Deputy Chief. He is survived by his wife (Muriel) of forty-nine years. They had seven children, twenty-four grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren. George was a dedicated and loyal member of our Post for many years where he served as a member of our Funeral Detail. George was a true American hero who will be dearly missed by all of us. On behalf of The American Legion we thank George J. Baldwin for his service to his country, his community and his family. May his soul rest in peace.



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

"If today you hear his voice harden not your heart" - Psalm 95

Commander's Report Continued

Tynan, Vincent Daley, Mr. & Mrs. O'Neill, Al Kropp, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Reardon, Bob Bittner, Kathleen Bittner, Jack Mc Greevy, Dr. Irving Pitman, and Kenneth Stock.

**2021 QUEEN OF HEARTS GAME
WE HAVE A WINNER!!!!**

I NEVER WIN ANYTHING YOU MAY SAY!

Well, Erick Heins isn't saying that. He went home with a check for \$4,614.00 because as the New York Lottery is fond of saying, "You've got to be in it, to win it!" We now have a brand new Queen of Hearts game going now that Mr. Heins took home the big win. Jan Powers is still our chairman and the game still consist of 52 shuffled playing cards plus two jokers. Each card is randomly sealed inside an envelope that is numbered 1 to 54 and displayed in the locked glass class as shown in the picture below. Players write one of these numbers from the unopened envelopes on each of their Queen of Hearts tickets (\$10.00 for 3 tickets). Please refer to our Reporter for exact dates of each drawing. A ticket will be drawn randomly from a large see-through bin and the envelope that corresponds with the number on that ticket will be opened to reveal the card inside. If the Queen of Hearts card is chosen the ticket holder wins 60% of the jackpot for that drawing. If the Queen of Hearts is not chosen, the game continues until the following month and the funds roll over into the next drawing and more tickets will be sold building up the pot. All the official rules will be posted in the Legion bar and the card display case and tumbler are located in the bar locked until the drawing.

For God and Country,
God Bless,
Charles J. Sanders,
Post 803 Commander
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★★ LEGION AUXILIARY POST 803 ★★

The sizzling month of August is here and with it comes the Annual Legion Car Show! Mark your calendars for Sunday August 29th, and look for members selling 50/50 tickets now. Years past have produced many enjoyable events, so save the date for a great time!

Our Summer Fair was a great success! Thanks go to Priscilla and her committee for a wonderful job! We are grateful to our community for once again coming out to support our event. The vendors had a good day and everyone attending seemed very happy. Thank you to all the Auxiliary members who contributed to our "Life is better by the Sea" raffle baskets, and the Nine family for putting it all together! We would also like to thank Tim Curry and those at the "Fire for Effect Farms" booth for donating baskets of petunias to add to our raffle.

The Auxiliary would also like to express our thanks to Ursula and Cristina Of Disset Chocolate in Cutchogue. Ursula created a special patriotic box of chocolates for Memorial Day and donated a percentage of sales to us, along with a box of her delicious chocolates! Thanks again for your generosity!

Beacon House, which formerly ran a home for veterans in Riverhead, now operates a larger facility at Building 11 in Northport to serve veterans who need temporary housing. Their transportation options are limited, so the Auxiliary has again donated Uber gift cards for the use of the veterans to get to job interviews, etc. Thank you Charlotte for purchasing and delivering these cards for us!

Our mission includes fostering patriotism and responsible citizenship. In all the recent controversy surrounding our nation's history we sometimes miss the fact that conditions have changed and improved over the centuries. Let's focus on the things that unite us in the present, such as liberty and justice for all, instead of what divided us in the past.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 11th. Hope to see you all there! Please contact Rose and let her know if you would like to join in with our pizza dinner at 6:30 pm.

Joan Cochran, President

★★ MEMBERSHIP ★★



Membership for the August 2021 Reporter

Post Status: We currently have 193/207 (93.24%) paid up members for 2021.

The Department of NY has sent our 2022 membership cards to Post 803, we are ready to start issuing your 2022 ID cards.

New Members: Are always welcome, use P.O. Box 591.

Ladies Auxiliary Membership Attention: Donna St Pierre

Sons of Legion Membership Attention: Gary Iorio, SAL Commander.

Post 803 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. To send in your 2021 dues (\$50) or your New Member Requirements use Post 803, P.O. Box 591, Southold, NY 11971.

Regards to all and thanks for supporting Post 803.

Bob Cochran,
Membership Chairman,
631.765.5828

★★ SONS OF THE LEGION ★★



Hope you all are enjoying the summer. The July 4th parade was a big success and it was really great to see so many people turn out. For the first time Friday night Legion Bar had a live band and it was a huge success—more are in the works!

The SAL welcomes new members Paul Romanelli and Bill Wallace. Upcoming events include the Car Show and golf outing, come out and support us with these fun events! Information to follow in this newsletter and on post803.com. I leave you with this song line. "I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free. And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me."

Gary Iorio,
SAL Commander

In the last *Reporter* our journey into American history left off with the question, “If you were mysteriously stranded on an island after a plane crash, how would you and the other 100 stranded souls survive knowing rescue was impossible?” This question leads us to another question as we begin to explore a little more deeply the concept of, “land ownership.” What criteria should we use to examine and “judge” the peoples of the past? Do we judge them according to our concluded 21st century beliefs and sensibilities or do we judge them by a wider aperture that takes into consideration, all of human history? When we look specifically at the lives of the Pilgrims, do we judge them with the knowledge we possess now in the 21st century or do we attempt to see the world through the lens of what knowledge they possessed in the 1600’s? How did these early settlers behave in comparison to other human “tribes” of the past? Evidence supports that these Pilgrims did not arrive in what would become Plymouth as conquerors but as people seeking a better life for their posterity. Evidence supports that these Pilgrims negotiated with and cooperated with the “indigenous population.”

How are the actions of the Pilgrims any different from the early human migrants that traveled across the Bering Strait? Who said that these early migrants that would become the, “indigenous population” have a right to occupy and subdue the land that would become known as North America? Why do these early humans have the “right” instead of the “indigenous animals?” The bottom line is the very concept of “right” in this context is a human construct. The concept of land occupation, possession, use, is sustained, promoted and exists only through the “power” exerted by one human group against another human group. The view that “Native Americans” or “indigenous peoples” had their land stolen from them by Europeans is only meaningful if one believes there is an objective “rule” or “law” that one may appeal to in order to “judge” the actions of another. This brings us right back to the question that ended last month’s column, “If you were mysteriously stranded on an island after a plane crash, how would you and the other 100 stranded souls survive knowing rescue was impossible?” The reason for this question is to encourage an internal dialogue about the concept of civilization and government. At the crux of this question is how do humans cooperate with fellow humans? How do we figure out how to get along? Historically this has been done through some form of government or system that sets the “rules” of behavior. What system is the system that we can appeal to in order to “objectively” judge the actions of those in the past? The answer to this question is there is no “objective” system unless one appeals to God or some type of higher power. If this appeal is not made then we return to Protagoras and his famous quote loosely defined as, “Man is the measure of all things.” The only “objective” system is the system in power and that is not even objective but simply a system that governs the behavior of the humans within that system so long as that system keeps on running. Yea, I know that was a brain twister. The problem with meaningfully judging someone or something is the need to actually define what one is using as the criteria to judge. Simply saying, “The Europeans stole native lands,” does only one thing. It makes the conveyor of that statement feel superior to others without any context. Let’s appeal to the historical record to examine the actions of the Pilgrims and then ask the following questions:

1. How were the actions of the Pilgrims different or similar to the actions of other humans in the past?
2. How were the actions of the Pilgrims different or similar to the actions of the “Native Americans” or “Indigenous Peoples?”
3. Did the Pilgrims disembark their ship and shoot and kill indiscriminately any native they encountered?
4. Did the land the Pilgrims chose to build structures on already have structures on them and were they occupied by anyone?
5. Did the Native Americans “possess” land? Did they have “contracts” for the use of land or territories?
6. How do two different groups of people get along if these two groups have different views of government or “rules” that “govern” human behavior?

In the next column we will explore the historical record and attempt to answer these and many more questions regarding the actions of the Pilgrims.

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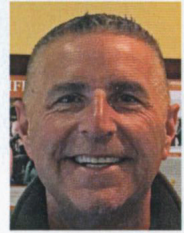


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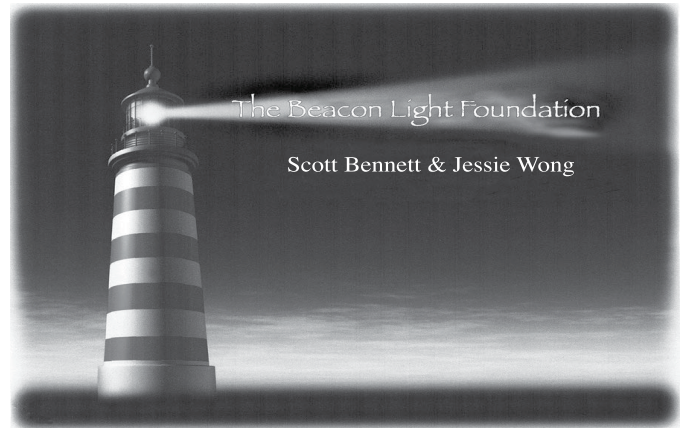
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\$10 for 3 Tickets



CRUISE NIGHT

at the Legion on Fridays

5:30 PM to 8:30 PM

**Bring your Classic Car
or just come to View!**

Bar & Refreshments will be Available.

BINGO

NOW ACTIVELY GOING ON EVERY TUESDAY
12 PM TO 3:30 PM

*If you would like to volunteer to help out or join the team,
please call Earl Brock, Bingo Chairman at 516.901.3228*

2021 GOALS

1. Outdoor Sign Installed
2. Fundraising Thermometer Installed
3. Main Hall Painted and Hall Ceiling Tiles Painted
4. Outside Entrance Painted
5. ~~State Entrance Steps Repaired or Replaced~~
Thank You Joe St. Pierre
6. LED Motion Lights with Cameras Installed Outside
7. Go-Fund-Me Page Established
8. ~~Bileo Door Painted~~
Thank You Joe St. Pierre
9. ~~Flag Box Painted~~
Thank You Cub Scouts
10. Bar Ceiling Painted and Paneling painted or Removed
11. ~~Total of 13 Paid Ads in the Reporter~~
Thank You Carl Deliteris for Hitting the Pavement!

LONG-TERM GOALS

We will be installing a fundraiser thermometer in front of the post to raise funds for the Legion to address our Long Term Goals.

- Replace Bar Roof
- Replace Main Building Roof
- Renovation of Entire 2nd Floor (excluding the SAL Bar Room).
- Emergency Exit for 2nd Floor
- Bar Makeover
- Bathroom Renovation Male and female Main Hall (Handicap Accessible)
- Bathroom Renovation 2nd Floor SAL Project.
- Inspect and Possibly Reinforce/Repair Foundation if Necessary

VOLUNTEER CORNER

We are looking for help with the following:

CAR SHOW on Sunday, August 29th

GOLF CLASSIC on Monday, September 27th

Chicken BBQ Saturday, October 2nd

Need someone to take on the SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Need a Legionnaire to step up and become our TREASURER in 2022



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★★ AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2021 ★★

08/06 Fri.	Queen of Hearts Drawing
08/10 Tues.	Golf Meeting Before the Legion Meeting: 5:30PM
08/10 Tues.	Executive and Business Meeting: Bar 6:30PM Meeting 7:30PM
08/11 Wed.	Auxiliary Meeting: 7PM
08/13 Fri.	Sons of the Legion Meeting: Bar 6PM Meeting 6:30PM
08/13 Fri.	Queen of Hearts Drawing
08/20 Fri.	Queen of Hearts Drawing
08/24 Tues.	Golf Meeting: 4:10PM CHANGE
08/27 Fri.	Queen of Hearts Drawing
08/27 Fri.	Car Show Setup
08/29 Sun.	Annual Car Show
08/31 Tues.	Golf Meeting: 4:10PM CHANGE
09/07 Tues.	Golf Meeting: 4:10PM
09/14 Tues.	Golf Meeting Before the Legion Meeting: 5:30PM
09/14 Tues.	Executive and Business Meeting: Bar 6:30PM Meeting 7:30PM



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★★ LEGION OFFICERS ★★

Commander - Charles J. Sanders
1st Vice Commander - Jeff Chagnon
2nd Vice Commander - Jose Perez
Past Commander - Earl Brock
Adjutant - David DeFriest
Finance Officer - Mort Kelly
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 - TBD
Sergeant at Arms - Jonathan Bitner
Chaplain - Daniel Kaelin
Historian - Douglas Kalvns

★★ AUXILIARY OFFICERS ★★

President - Joan Cochran
Vice Pres - Denise Thilberg
Treasurer - Margie Brock
Recording Sec., - Priscilla Devine

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\$175 Per Golfer - Shotgun start at 12:30 p.m.

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DINNER ONLY - \$75 Per Person Pre-Paid includes Open Bar

● **PRIZES** ●

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 Longest Drive Women Closest to Pin Women Closest to Line Women
 Low Team Score

Hole-In-One Prize Sponsored by Mullen Motors

● **GOLF COMMITTEE** ●

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Earl Brock	Jeff Chagnon	Bill Egan	Denis Noncarrow	Neil Rochford
Mike Burke	Ty Cochran	Don Grim	Al Rava	Bob Scott
		Dan Melhado		



Can't make the Date? Please sponsor a Hole for \$75 / \$50 each additional sign.

**Any Questions, to Register, or to Sponsor, please contact
 Bob Bittner at 631.680.6244 or Charles J. Sanders at 631.702.3083**



6TH ANNUAL GTG POST 803 CAR SHOW

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 29th, 2021
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM**



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Vendors • 50/50 Raffle**

TASKS THAT NEED TO BE HANDLED:

Watching the Gates • Registering the Cars
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