



www.post803.com

THE REPORTER

GRISWOLD TERRY GLOVER POST 803

SEPTEMBER 2024

COMMANDER'S REPORT



Greetings fellow Legionnaires and Friends of the Legion,

On September 11, 2024 we observe the National Day of Service and Remembrance, a day dedicated to honoring the Victims and Heroes of 9/11 through acts of service and kindness.

Patriot Day is a United States national observance that honors the memory of those who were killed in the September 11 attacks. It was first observed in 2002, after the proclamation by President George W. Bush. On September 11,

2001 al-Qaeda launched a series of coordinated terrorist attacks upon the United States, killing almost 3,000 people. In the immediate aftermath of the tragic events, President proclaimed September 14, 2001 a National Day of Prayer and Remembrance for the Victims of the Terrorist Attacks on September 11, 2001. A year later, September 11 was made a national day of mourning referred to as Patriot Day. This observance has been proclaimed annually since 2002.

The Southold Town Fire Chiefs Council sponsors a 9/11 memorial ceremony honoring the memory of those lost in the 9/11 attacks each year. It will take place September 11 at 6:00 PM at Jean Cochran Park on Peconic Lane in Peconic.

Last month, on Sunday August 25th we held our Annual Car Show. It was a huge success thanks to our Auxiliary Unit 803. Joan Cochran, Denise Schlachter, and Post member E.J. Flynn for their expertise and experience in planning and organizing this event. Furthermore, Thank You to all the volunteers that worked this event and came out to support the event.

Our annual Chicken BBQ will take place at the Legion on September 14th from 4 to 7 PM. Tickets are \$30 per person. Eat in or Take out. Cash Bar available. Call 631-765-2276 or 631-407-5555 to order tickets.

The annual Walk 4 Valor will take place September 29th beginning at the Legion at 8:00 AM. The walk goes from the Legion to Orient Fire Dept and back again ending at the Southold Fire Dept. If you walk the entire distance, it is 22 miles. There are various segments of the walk if you want to participate but not walk the entire distance. You can refer to the Walk 4 Valor website for more detailed information. Walk 4 Valor will raise awareness and funding for measures to help reduce Veterans suicide and support the education of military families.

There is a new project currently being planned and organized by the Legion Post 803 and the Town of Southold to make available and install Veteran's Banners on poles throughout our community, similar to those you may have seen in the town of Riverhead. Denis Noncarrow, Rose Anasagasti and Marcia Kucera are presently in charge of research and development of this project. There will be more information available regarding this project in the near future.

Well, that's all I have for this month. I will close with a couple of inspirational quotes.

"In organizations, real power and energy is generated through relationships. The patterns of relationships and the capacities to form them are more important than tasks, functions, roles, and positions."

— Margaret Wheatley Management Consultant.

"While knowledge is increasingly being viewed as a commodity or intellectual asset, there are some paradoxical characteristics of knowledge that are radically different from other valuable commodities. These knowledge characteristics include the following: Using knowledge does not consume it. Transferring knowledge does not result in losing it. Knowledge is abundant, but the ability to use it is scarce. Much of an organization's valuable knowledge walks out the door at the end of the day."

— Kimiz Dalkir, Director at McGill School of Information Studies.

David E. DeFriest, Post 803 Commander

www.post803.com • gtgpost803@gmail.com



MADE IN AMERICA

SOUTHOLD AMERICAN LEGION POST 803

ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14TH, 2024
4 PM - 7 PM



\$25 PER PERSON

CALL POST 803
AT 631.765.2276

Dinner Includes: Dessert & Soda
Cash Bar Will Be Open

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

22 VETERANS A DAY
DIE BY SUICIDE

SUNDAY, SEPT 29
2024

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

★★ SONS OF THE LEGION ★★



Twenty-three years have passed since Islamic terrorists attacked our Nation on September 11, 2001.

A new generation of Americans has grown up and we must pass on the history of that dark day.

2,996 innocent people murdered. Including 71 law enforcement officers, 55 military personnel and 343 of my brother New York City Firefighters. Our military was sent into action as the Global War in Terrorism spearheaded into Afghanistan and Iraq. Over 7,000 US Military personnel would be lost in the years that followed. Following the attack, our country briefly united. We must never forget!

I leave you with a quote from Winston Churchill

“Those that fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it.”

Gary Iorio, SAL Commander



★★ HISTORIAN ★★

Lt. Michael Murphy Navy Seal. Born May 7, 1976, in Smithtown, NY.

Lt. Michael Murphy was a United States Navy Seal officer who was awarded the U.S. military highest decoration, the Medal of Honor, for his heroic actions during the War in Afghanistan.

In June of 2005, while conducting a reconnaissance mission scouting for the Taliban terrorist leader Ahmad Shah, deep behind enemy lines, his Seal team was compromised by a local farmer.

Outnumbered, cut off and pinned down by the enemy, Lt. Murphy gave up his cover and moved to an open clearing to get help for his wounded men, exposing himself to enemy fire to obtain a signal for his satellite phone to contact headquarters to relay the situation and request assistance.

Lt. Michael Murphy was killed in action on June 28, 2005.

On July 4th, American soldiers did a search rescue operation, and his remains were returned to the U.S. 9 days later. He was buried with full military honors here on Long Island Calverton National Cemetery. (Wading River)

His parents Daniel & Maureen Murphy were presented with the Medal of Honor by President George W. Bush.

In my next newsletter I will give information regarding the Warship USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) and his museum located in West Sayville.

John Christina, Historian





National POW/MIA Recognition Day is September 20th

The Defense Department remembers and honors those Americans who were prisoners of war and those who served and never returned home. DOD's POW/MIA Accounting Agency continues the search for the missing, fulfilling the nation's promise to leave no service member behind.

★ ★ VETERANS BENEFITS "CORNER" ★ ★

"Pre-Decisional Deliberative Document" – PACT Act (February 2024)

I want to thank Bob Bittner for this presentation/article he sent me... GREAT FIND!

As you will see, this was intended to be kept internally by the VA (February 2024) regarding the PACT Act. The presentation is 17 PowerPoint pages, too long for the newsletter.

https://mcusercontent.com/b19133d4147f9b6c30ff4876f/files/f1f00dc0-7cb3-a4eb-b1c96ef939093179/PACT_Act_Overview_Update.pdf

Note: The clickable link is on the website home page www.post803.com

David Chiaro – keyarrow@hotmail.com

★ ★ LEGION AUXILIARY POST 803 ★ ★

September is here, with crisper days and cooler nights. Mark your calendars for the Legion Chicken BBQ on Saturday, September 14th. Donna and her crew will be working on the beans that morning. Get your tickets for this wonderful event!

As I write this we are anticipating our Annual Legion Car Show. We appreciate all the volunteers who help at this event and our community who always supports it!

Our Potluck Dinner in August was a lot of fun! It was nice to get together. We have scheduled the next one for Friday, October 11th.

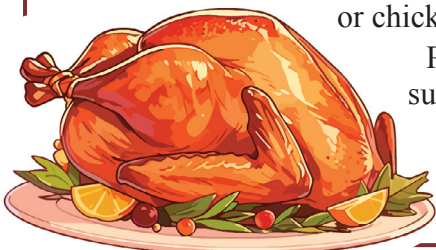
The Walk for Valor is scheduled for September 29th. Last year Auxiliary members signed up for the virtual event, and met at Jean Cochran Park in Peconic to do laps together. You can sign up for this online.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 11th at 7:00PM.

A Holiday Meal to Thank You

The Southold Post 803 American Legion Auxiliary and Long Island Cares Veterans Project want to thank local veterans for their service with a gift of a free, uncooked turkey, ham or chicken and a box of meal fixings. These meal-makings will be distributed on Veteran's Day, Monday, November 11, in the parking lot of the Legion Hall, after the Veterans Day ceremony. (approximately from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.)

If you would like to accept this gift of thanks, please call or email the Auxiliary between the dates of September 16 and October 6. In your message, please tell us whether you want a free uncooked turkey, ham or chicken and be sure to include your full name and phone number.



Please note that you must call or email us with your request, we will not have sufficient supplies to accommodate walk-ups.

You may phone the Auxiliary at 631-407-5555 and leave a message or send an email to: southoldpost803@gmail.com.

Our Auxiliary and Long Island Cares thank you for your service to our country.

★★ MEMBERSHIP ★★



Post Status: We currently have **182/189 (96.7%)** paid up members for 2024 and **72/176 (40.9%)** paid up members for 2025. If you want to get credit for membership year 2024 the dues are still at the current rate of \$50, please specify year 2024 on check. The dues for 2025 for Post 803 are \$57 but due to the confusion of the notices from the National American Legion stating the dues are \$50 I will process your membership for either amount.

Veterans, come join us we need new Members.

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 \$57 for annual dues. All membership correspondence should be sent to Post 803, Attn. Membership, and P.O. Box 591, Southold, NY 11971. Thanks for supporting Post 803.

Bob Cochran, *Membership Chairman*, 631.765.5828

★★ CHAPLAIN'S REPORT ★★

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 is Henry Santacroce Sr.

Jeff Chagnon - Post Chaplain 631.456.3258

— 2024 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
7. ~~Create a handicap parking area for two automobiles next to the handicap ramp.~~

— LONG-TERM GOALS —

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. 9/11 Memorial Tree Pavers | 5. Basement Walls Coating for Brick Deterioration Mitigation |
| 2. Renovation of 2nd Floor | 6. Pavilion |
| 3. Bar Makeover | 7. Exterior of Post Painted/Stained |
| 4. Bathrooms Renovation (Handicap Accessible) | 8. Renovation of Second Floor Bathroom and Rooms |



LUBE SHOP

SOUTHOLD AUTOMOTIVE CORP.

DBA AUTO REPAIR OF SOUTHOLD

NEW CAR WARRANTIES MAINTAINED HERE

Foreign & Domestic Car & Light Truck Service

N.Y. State Inspection Sta.

Donald Tonyes

David Smith

54360 Main Road, Southold, New York 11971

(631) 765-5156

NIGHT (631) 774-0417

FAX (631) 765-3615

Volunteer Corner

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS
FOR THE CHICKEN BBQ.**

**Please contact Dave DeFriest
if you can help.**

Ded631@aol.com



The Ink Spot

northforkprinting.com

631.765.3625



175 Boisseau Avenue | P.O. Box 665
Southold, New York 11971

theinkspot@northforkprinting.com



34890 COUNTY RD. 48
PECONIC, NEW YORK 11958

- Tree Removal
- Stump Removal & Grinding
- Land Clearing
- New Plantings
- Property & Lawn Maintenance
- Pesticide Control

631.734.6279



Alice and Harold Culver are dedicating this ad for Honor Flight.
For more information on Honor Flight please visit their
website or call Virginia Bennett at 631-702-2423.

Paulette Ofrias

Southold Pharmacy

"More than a Drug Store"


631-765-3434 • Fax: 631-765-4395
53895 Main Street • PO Box 1177
Southold, NY 11971
www.southoldpharmacy.com

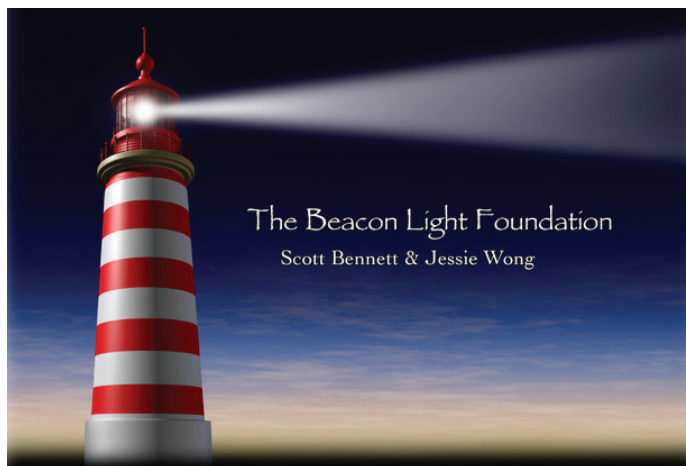


FULL-SERVICE MARINA

Family owned and inspiring boaters since 1946



poemarine.com | 631-765-2445  YAMAHA



The Beacon Light Foundation
Scott Bennett & Jessie Wong



Alice and Harold Culver are dedicating this ad for Honor Flight.
For more information on Honor Flight please visit their
website or call Virginia Bennett at 631-702-2423.

NORTH FORK DETAILING

WE BRING THE SHINE TO YOU

CERAMIC COATING | PAINT PROTECTION FILM | WINDOW TINT
VINYL WRAP | FULL DETAIL

(631) 734-8899
Info@northforkdetailing.com

22355 County Rd 48 Unit 23
Cutchogue, NY 11935



kolb

HEATING + COOLING

Serving the East End for over 35 years



(631) 298-5527

North Fork | South Fork | Shelter Island
www.kolbmechanical.com

Proud To Support The Southold American Legion



Thoughtfully Crafted, Honestly MadeSM

NorthForkBuilder.com

Proud to Support Our Friends
At The Southold American Legion

97 YEARS **MULLEN MOTORS**

DODGE RAM Jeep CHRYSLER

Earning Your Trust Every Day Since 1927



631.765.1061 Feather Hill Village
53345 Main Road • Southold, NY 11971
www.satnickjewelers.com



RegenBenzMacKenzie
Regen, Benz & MacKenzie, C.P.A.'S, P.C.
Certified Public Accountants

240 BECKWITH AVENUE • SOUTHOLD, NEW YORK 11971
PHONE 631.765.1118 • FAX 631.765.1755
www.rbmcpas.com



**Suffolk
Security
Systems**

Paul J Romanelli
President

(631) 765-5262
paul@suffolksecurity.com

50300 Main Road
PO Box 1355
Southold NY 11971

"Security is Our Middle Name"



**DeFriest-Grattan
Funeral Homes**

Joseph S. Grattan Joseph S. Grattan, Jr.
(631) 765-3850

Heating Oil ★ Kerosene ★ On & Off Road Diesel ★ Gasoline

Proud To Support The Southold American Legion



Always There, Always Fair.

Bob Ghosio, Owner

JarzombekEnergy.com

Electrical Construction
Generator Sales and service
Solar and Battery Power Systems



GENERAC[®]
PWRCELL

Phone: (631)734-5026
Website: PeconicPowerSys.com
Email: PeconicPowerSys@gmail.com

ENPHASE

★★ SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2024 EVENTS ★★

09/06 FRI.	BAR IS OPEN 6:30PM AND QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING 8PM
09/10 TUES.	EXECUTIVE AND BUSINESS MEETING BAR 6:00PM • DINNER 6:30PM • MEETING 7:00PM
09/11 WED.	AUXILIARY MEETING: 7PM
09/11 WED.	PATRIOT'S DAY NEVER FORGET!
09/13 FRI.	BAR IS OPEN 6:30PM AND QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING 8PM
09/14 SAT.	CHICKEN BBQ
09/20 FRI.	BAR IS OPEN 6:30PM AND QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING 8PM
09/27 FRI.	BAR IS OPEN 6:30PM AND QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING 8PM
09/29 SUN.	WALK FOR VALOR STARTS AT THE LEGION AT 8 AM ENDS AT SOUTHOOLD FIRE DEPT AT 5 PM
10/04 FRI.	BAR IS OPEN 6:30PM AND QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING 8PM
10/08 TUES.	EXECUTIVE AND BUSINESS MEETING BAR 6:00PM • DINNER 6:30PM • MEETING 7:00PM
10/09 WED.	AUXILIARY MEETING: 7PM
10/11 FRI.	BAR IS OPEN 6:30PM AND QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING 8PM
10/18 FRI.	BAR IS OPEN 6:30PM AND QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING 8PM
10/25 FRI.	BAR IS OPEN 6:30PM AND QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING 8PM



MADE IN AMERICA

★★ LEGION OFFICERS ★★

Commander - Dave DeFriest
1st Vice Commander - Jeff Chagnon
2nd Vice Commander - David Wilburn
Past Commander - Charles Sanders
Adjutant - Bob Bittner
Finance Officer - Jim Cowan
1st Finance Assistant - Mort Kelly
2nd Finance Assistant - Vacant
Sergeant at Arms - Neil Rochford
Chaplain - Jeff Chagnon
Post Historian - John Christina
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 Bittner
Chaplain - Daniel Kaelin
Historian - John Christina

★★ AUXILIARY OFFICERS ★★

President - Joan Cochran
1st Vice Pres - Denise Thilberg Schlacter
2nd Vice Pres - Jeanette Cooper
Treasurer - Patricia Burns
Recording Sec. - Priscilla Devine

ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED

Griswold Terry Glover
 Post 803
 The American Legion
 P.O. Box 591
 Southold, NY 11971



NonProfit Org
 US Postage
 PAID
 Southold, NY
 Permit No. 32