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## American Legion Auxiliary Adolph Pfister Unit 1038 is pleased to announce the winner of the **Americanism Essay Contest**

Nationally, the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) sponsors an annual Americanism Essay Contest for students in grades 3-12, including students with special needs. Students of the various grade levels are divided into six classes.

The contest begins at local ALA units and your American Legion Auxiliary Adolph Pfister Unit 1038, in Valhalla provided this opportunity to students. This year's essay topic was "How Can We Support Families Who Provide Care to Their Veterans?"

We are pleased to announce that **Katie Chong** won Class V (grades 11 & 12) in the American Legion Auxiliary Adolph Pfister Unit 1038 Americanism Essay Contest:





Katie's essay has been submitted to compete at the state level: American Legion Auxiliary Department of New York. First place winners of the ALA Department of New York competition go on to compete at the national level. There is one award in each of the six classes presented to five divisions: (eastern, southern, western, northwestern & central.)

A special thank you to Lourdes Torres and Meghan Jacobsen for helping to facilitate the entries at the Valhalla Middle and High Schools. We wish Katie good luck as she continues in the competition!

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