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## American Legion Auxiliary Adolph Pfister Unit 1038 is pleased to announce the winners of the

## Poppy Poster Contest

Nationally, the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) sponsors an annual Poppy Poster Contest for students in grades 2-12, including students with special needs. Students of various grade levels are divided into seven classes. Using the image and story of the Flanders Field Poppy, the contest helps to educate students about the sacrifices our military service members have made.

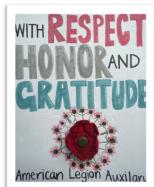
The contest begins at local ALA units. We are pleased to announce the following winners of the American Legion Auxiliary Adolph Pfister Unit 1038 Poppy Poster Contest:



1<sup>st</sup> prize poster by Katie Chong



1<sup>st</sup> prize poster by Raychel Fimmano



Honorable Mention - Victoria Grigorova

First Prize – Class V: **Katie Chong** (11<sup>th</sup> grade) First Prize – Class IV: **Raychel Fimmano** (8<sup>th</sup> grade) Honorable Mention – Class IV: **Victoria Grigorova** (8<sup>th</sup> grade)

A special thank you to Principal Haidee Anaya, Principal Matt Curran, Principal Jason Schrammel, and Principal Jon Hirsch for helping to facilitate the entries at the Virginia Road Elementary School, Kensico School, Valhalla Middle School and Valhalla High School. The first-place winner's poster has been submitted to compete at the state level: American Legion Auxiliary Department of New York.

First place winners at the state level will then compete at the national ALA competition. There is one award in each of the six classes presented to five divisions: (eastern, southern, western, northwestern & central.)

We wish Raychel and Katie the best of luck in the American Legion Auxiliary Department of New York Poppy Poster Competition.

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- 501(c)(19) non-profit and charitable Veterans' Organization
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