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NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sept. 18th – NC Veterans Picnic & Resource Fair – 11:30 to 2:30 PM (See Below) Executive Board Meeting – 7 PM – Bellmore Veterans Hall

Sept. 19th – POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony – 5 PM (see Below)

Sept. 20th & 21st – Bellmore Street Fair (see Below)

Sept. 30th – General Membership Meeting – 7:30 PM – Bellmore Veterans Hall (Date Change)

Oct. 16th – Executive Board Meeting – 7 PM – Bellmore Veterans Hall

Oct. 28th – General Membership Meeting – 7:30 PM – Bellmore Veterans Hall

COMMANDER'S REPORT:

Well, another summer has come and about to be gone in a short while. It seems to me that the weather during the four seasons is slightly changing as we had another summer where the months of June and July were hot, and August a little cooler like in the previous year or two. I remember as a child dreading the month of August because of the heat and humidity. The outlook for the fall and winter months is no severe weather so let's hope so as far as snow accumulation is concerned.

Hopefully everyone is doing well although several of our members remain ill and disabled. Please keep them in your prayers.

The month of September is going to be a busy month and I ask those who are able to donate some extra time so that we can adequately staff the events that the organization is participating in. An hour or two of your time benefits the group and the work on behalf of veterans. Please give it some thought.

Thursday, Sept. 18th from 11:30 AM until 2:30 PM, there will be a free NC Veterans Picnic and Resource Fair in Eisenhower Park (Field 6). At the event there will be a performance by Tommy Sullivan (Oldies Tribute) and the American Bombshells. You are required to RSVP no later that Sept. 15th by calling the VSA from 9 AM to 4 PM at 516-572-0564. Each veteran can bring a guest.

<u>Friday night, Sept. 19th</u> is the <u>POW/MIA Remembrance Ceremony</u> at 5 PM at the Veterans Plaza in Eisenhower Park. This year VWVA is the host organization for this annual event which is held to honor and remember those who did not return or remain missing from the war in which they fought. It is an honor to be the host organization, and I ask as many members who are able to attend this worthwhile and meaningful event. Remember, the time is 5 PM not 7 PM as originally published.

And yes, more events on Saturday (9/20) and Sunday (9/21) with the annual Bellmore Street Fair. VWVA will be having our booth again this year and help is needed with the set-up and take down each day, not to mention a presence at our booth. Set up will begin around 8:30 on Saturday, and 9 AM on Sunday with breakdown beginning at 5 PM. Again, I am asking our members to spare whatever time they can to help make this a success.

Because of the Jewish holy days, our Sept. monthly meeting has been moved to the following Tuesday (Sept. 30th) at 7:30 PM. Please mark your calendar as to that fact.

Hope to see one aan all at one of more of the upcoming events.

Semper Fi!

Bob Kohler

Commander