



American Legion
Post 903
Mount Pocono PA
Next Meeting
July 9th
Heritage Center
Pocono Twp



Monroe County PA
Joint Veterans
Honor Guard

All Meetings, Legion
SAL, Honor Guard & Aux-
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Thursday of Month

NEWSLETTER

June 2020

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 American Legion Post 903 is a 501 (c) 3 Tax Exempt Organization as indicated by the IRS.



Up Coming Events

No Meeting June 11th: In the last Newsletter we indicated that we were going to have a meeting on June 11th at the Heritage Center in Tannersville. We are going to wait another month so members may feel a little more comfortable about attending meetings.

Depending on what happens with the purchase of the church in Mt Pocono (St Mary's) we may meet at that location if the closing occurs before July 9th. We will keep you posted.

Lyons Wreath Laying Ceremony: We were contacted by the Lyons Club regarding the Wreath Laying ceremony as Tom was the former contact for them. The ceremony may or may not change with regards to Covid-19 but they said they will be doing a ceremony even if it's a shorten version . The Ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, November 7th.

Veterans Day Parade: We are scheduled to be in the Veterans Day Parade in November, Dave Newcomb has been attending the meetings and he will give us more details as the date approaches. We do not have a firm date at this time.

Covid-19 Update: As of the date of this writing, the PA Legislature passed House Resolution 836. This resolution was previously passed by the House and passed by the Senate on June 9, 2020. The Resolution would end Governor's Wolf Emergency Declaration but would not necessarily end the Secretary of Health's business closure orders. That is up for debate as the Governor said he would not approve of the resolution, but the legislature says it does not need the Governor's approval.

The GOP Legislature indicated that Wolf will probably take the legislature to court even though the court previously said it could overturn such a declaration.

Purchase of St Mary's Church:

We are very close to having a closing on St Mary's Church in Mt Pocono. We have signed most of the papers and now just waiting for a closing date which should take place before the beginning of July.

Once we have the closing, we will start meeting at the property and start assessing what needs to be done in terms of repairs and upgrades.

We will keep you posted on the purchase.



Honor Guard News: We have had only one memorial Service at a private residence since the shutdown. We anticipate that as things start to return to somewhat normal, we may be inundated with requests for those veterans who had passed away during the pandemic but were unable to have Military Honors.. We do not have any pending requests at this time, but we will inform members when Funeral Homes start to have Military Honors again.

Flag Replacement: On May 30th, we had a good showing of members coming out and replacing flags at the various commentaries here in Monroe County. Normally the boy scouts would help us out, but this year because of the virus we were unable to use their help.

We would like to thank all those who did come out, we had Channel 13 there and it turned out to be a really nice day. The following pages has pictures from that day. We like to Thank Dave Newcomb, Paul Compoly and Bill Hamilton for helping to organize the day and the event.





Operation Chillout:

Homeless Veteran Outreach

Operation Chillout hosted a virtual event on May 2nd at the home of Al Compoly, Adjutant for American Legion Post 903.

The event raised over \$800 over the 2 hour event with Al Playing live music, talking about OCO and showing pictures of what OCO does.

Al also had people like Ray Chimileski (founder of OCO0 call in along with Tony DeStefano and David from Rhode Island talking about OCO. It was a fun night and it helped OCO financially since our fund raising activities have been limited.

Sick Call / Deceased



Please keep Francisco O'Farrell in your prayers.

New Members: We would like to welcome all of our new members to both the legion and the Post. Presently we have over 60 members and hope that we will continue to grow. If you know anyone who is interested in joining please contact Charlie Hamberger or Al

Legion Dues

If you haven't paid your dues yet, you can do so at our next meeting or you can pay them on line at "members. Legion.org"



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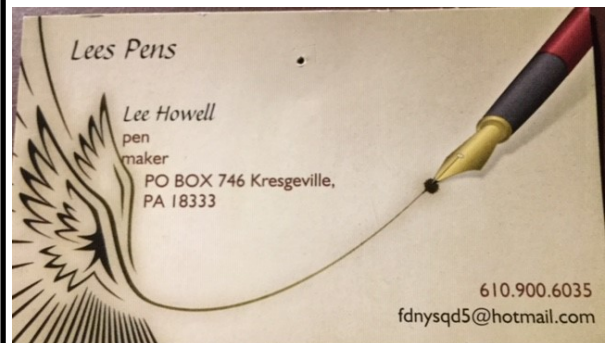
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