



# POST 1026



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## NEWSLETTER

2014



OFFICER INSTALLATION, JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup> 2014

### Upcoming events/activities:

- Next** Month's Legionnaires meeting will be held on October 7<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30pm
- Veterans** Day Ceremony 11/11 at 11am at the Woodstock Cemetery



## SAL/Auxiliary News:

### SAL NEWS:



## **ON THE MOVE**

**COMMANDER: SHEA COCKS**

**1<sup>ST</sup> VICE COMMANDER: DAN GORDON**

**2<sup>ND</sup> VICE COMMANDER: WAYNE RICE**

**3<sup>RD</sup> VICE COMMANDER: GAVIN COCKS**

**ADJUTANT: CHRIS STAIGER**

**CHAPLAIN: RANDY SMITH**

**TREASURER: KURT HANSEN**

**HISTORIAN: TAD EARLEY**

**SGT. AT ARMS: JACK BLACKMAN**

**ADVISOR: DONALD RICE**

**CONGRATULATIONS OFFICERS**

**- The next Sons of the American Legion (SAL) meeting is scheduled for Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014.**

SAL information provided by Chris Staiger and/or Kurt Hansen and/or Jack Blackman



## AUXILIARY NEWS:



### **ON THE MOVE**

**PRESIDENT: Laurie Staiger**

**VICE PRESIDENT: Rita Mooers**

**SECRETARY: Lynn Schwerert**

**CHAPLAIN: Erin Moran**

**TREAS/MBRSHP: Jackie Earley**

**SGT. AT ARMS: Dorry Hagedorn**

### **CONGRATULATIONS OFFICERS**

**- The next Auxiliary meeting is scheduled for Wednesday October 8<sup>th</sup> 2014.**

**- The Auxiliary will be dedicating the Graver Memorial Bench on Veterans Day (11/11) at 1:00pm.**

*Laurie Staiger*

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

If anyone is interested in helping out or joining the Auxiliary please contact Laurie Staiger

[lstaiger@hvc.rr.com](mailto:lstaiger@hvc.rr.com)

Auxiliary information provided by President Laurie Staiger





## Communications Corner:



The **Memorial Day Parade** was truly a great accomplishment for our Post and our Town this year. I would like to personally thank all of you that helped make it a wonderful success. It's a great feeling to know that we can pull together as a Post family and put on a great Parade and Memorial Ceremony to honor those who gave their lives for our freedom.

**Billy Smith** stood proud among us as this year's **Parade Marshall**. Thank You Billy for your service to our Country.

In other Post news, on June 22<sup>nd</sup> I had the honor and privilege of installing our Officers for this year's **Officer Installation** and dinner. It was a night of tradition, pride and fun as each Officer was sworn into office reaffirming their allegiance to our Country and Post. Following the ceremony was a delicious dinner and dessert hosted at the Reservoir Inn. It was a great evening, thank you to all that attended!

**Legionnaire Reminder:** Annual membership dues for 2015 have increased to \$33.00. You may receive a dues renewal notice for the amount of \$28.50 from American Legion Dept. of NY. Please disregard that amount and remit \$33.00 for your annual dues. This problem has been corrected however not in time for the first mailing of renewal notices from the State. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. For any questions please contact Membership Chairman, Bruce Eckert at (845) 679-7510 or e-mail [eckert\\_bruce027@yahoo.com](mailto:eckert_bruce027@yahoo.com)

*Donny Haberski*  
1<sup>ST</sup> VICE COMMANDER/  
COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR



# Congratulations 2014-15 Legion Officers

**COMMANDER:** Kevin Ryan

**1<sup>ST</sup> VICE CMDR:** Don Haberski Jr.

**2<sup>ND</sup> VICE CMDR:** Don Haberski Sr.

**ADJUTANT:** Don Rice

**FINANCE:** Walter Bollenbach

**CHAPLAIN:** Kevin Verpent

**SGT. AT ARMS:** Lanning Steitz

**SERVICE:** Rick Haberski

**TRUSTEE:** Terry Breitenstein (3 years)

**TRUSTEE:** George Hucker (2 years)

**TRUSTEE/MEMBERSHIP:** Bruce Eckert (2 years)

**TRUSTEE:** Heath Tong (1 year)

**TRUSTEE:** James Hagedorn (1 year)





## *In Memoriam*

It is with deep regret to announce the passing of **Legionnaire James Thompson**. Jim passed away on Sunday May 25<sup>th</sup> 2014 at his home. Jim was a long time member of our Post as well as a member of other community organizations in the Woodstock area such as the VFW in Kingston and St. John the Evangelist Church in West Hurley.

Jim truly believed in service to his country and proudly served in the US Air Force during the Korean conflict.

After his military service he began a career as an IBM programmer and retired in 1991.

Our hearts and prayers go out to the Thompson family. Jim will be missed.



# MEMORIAL DAY 2014





## Veteran status designation on a photo document



If you are a qualified U.S. military veteran, who was honorably discharged, and you have a NYS driver license, learner permit or non-driver photo ID card, you can have the word "Veteran" printed on the upper left hand of your photo document.

There is no additional fee for the veteran status designation on your document, but all regular transaction fees will apply.

### **To apply for the veteran status designation:**

- You must send or provide proof of an honorable discharge. You may apply by mail or at a DMV office by showing your proof(s). Originals or photocopies are acceptable at an office, but send only photocopies by mail. Acceptable proofs are:
  - a U.S. Department of Defense Form DD-214 that indicates an honorable discharge, or
  - a form DD-215 that indicates an honorable discharge, or if discharged before January 1, 1950, an Honorable Discharge form WD AGO 53, WD AGO 55, WD AGO 53-55, NAVPERS 553, NAVMC 78PD or NAVCG 553, or an "Enlisted Separation Paper."
- You can apply for the veteran status designation when you renew your driver license by mail using your renewal notice (MV-2) and a photocopy of your proof of honorable discharge.
  - You can renew a NYS driver license or NDID within 12 months or less of the expiration date. If you'd prefer to apply for the designation prior to this time period and cannot visit your local DMV, you can still apply by mail for a replacement document, updated with the veteran status designation. Please include a written request to add the designation, use the [Application for Driver License or Non-Driver ID](#) (MV-44), send a photocopy of your current photo document and your proof of honorable discharge, and include a check or money order payable to "Commissioner of Motor Vehicles" for the \$12.50 statutory fee.

### **Mail everything to:**

DMV License Production Bureau  
Room 331  
6 Empire State Plaza  
Albany, NY 12228

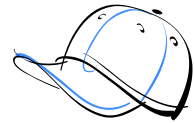
- You can apply at a [DMV office](#) for a renewal or a replacement document with the veteran status designation. Use the [Application for Driver License or Non-Driver ID](#) (MV-44).
- You cannot apply by phone or online.

The veteran status will be printed on all of your future NYS DMV photo documents.





## American Legion Post 1026



Tee Shirts, Golf Shirts, Hats, and Sweatshirts are for sale. Clothing is on sale at the Post **and is also available for purchase on the website. Check it out!!!**



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Thanks Mike!!!!



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