

# THE SUFFOLK COUNTY American Legion



## LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST *Saturday, October 29, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.*

**To Be Held At:**

**The Rusy-Bohm American Legion Post # 411  
39 Nassau Ave., Islip NY 11751**

**All members of the Legion, Auxiliary, SAL and Riders are encouraged to attend for the purpose of discussing the views of our elected officials and candidates concerning Veteran's issues.**

**For reservations send your check for \$18, or (\$162 for tables of 10, with the names of the attendees, paid in advance by Oct. 8, 2021), make check payable to the Suffolk County American Legion (SCAL).\***

***\*Place your orders ASAP in case there is any capacity restrictions deemed necessary by the Post.***

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**From:** mikebets@optonline.net  
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**Date:** Sep 9, 2022 5:06:43 PM  
**Subject:** National Commander Dinner at Antun's

This coming year, the National Commander Dinner will be held on April 14 at Antun's in Queens. This year we will honor Jim Troiola from New York. I anticipate that this years dinner will be a sell out. I am asking all posts to start thinking about how many tables they will need for this years dinner. We need to commit in January on how many tables our county will be purchasing. If you don't get your tickets early this year, there is a good chance you will not be able to purchase tickets at a later date. Please remember, since the National Commander is from our home state, this event will sell out fast!

Please email Chairperson Mike Pankowski at mikebets@optonline.net with the number of tickets any one individual or posts will need. Tables seat 10 people. I will contact all at a later date in regards to payment.

I appreciate your early help on this great event.

Thank you

Michael Pankowski

Chairperson National Commander Dinner Tickets





September 9, 2022

## American Legion Riders Suffolk County Report

Suffolk county riders participated in the following through August.

Funeral escort for John Flemming U.S. Army

Rehoming of 64 Veteran Flags

Tunnel to Towers Ride

Funeral for Richard McCafferty U.S.M.C.

Funeral for L/LCpl David Cruzfranco U.S.M.C

Birthday drive by for Cpl. Paul Pete 99 years old U.S. Army

Birthday drive by for Edward Olivera 100 years old, U.S. Army

Funeral for Terry Fay American Legion Aux. member of Post 1244

Funeral for Charlie Raft U.S. Army / Huntington F.D. member,

Greenlawn Fireman's Fair / Parade. The ALR's of Post 1244 were asked to start off the parade.

Stop Soldier suicide

Louis Bonacassa fund raiser

Attended Senators Veterans breakfast held in Babylon post94.

Additionally, Suffolk Riders made donations totaling \$750.00 to various Veterans causes.

Respectfully submitted,

David M. Isaacs

Suffolk County Chairman

American legion Riders

## **POW-MIA Report**

For June, July and August of 2022

The remains of 35 of our fallen comrades have been recovered, identified and returned to their loved ones.

### **WORLD WAR 2**

#### **The following were lost December 7<sup>th</sup> 1941 on the USS Oklahoma:**

Navy Seaman 1<sup>st</sup> Class William Brooks, 19,  
Navy Fireman 3rd Class Clarence A. Blaylock, 20,  
Navy Seaman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Houston Temples, 24,  
Navy Shipfitter 3rd Class Francis L. Hannon, 20,  
Navy Fire Controlman 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Robert T. Stout, 21,  
Navy Fireman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Beoin H. Corzatt, 24,  
Navy Fire Controlman 1<sup>st</sup> Class Hubert P. Clement, 30,  
Navy Fireman 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Edward E. Casinger, 21,  
Navy Seaman 2<sup>nd</sup> Class John G. Bock, Jr., 18,

#### **USS West Virginia:**

Navy Shipfitter 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Claude R. Garcia, 25,

#### **Battle of Betio in the Tarawa Atoll of the Gilbert Islands,**

Marine Corps Gunnery Sgt. Arthur B. Summers, 27,

#### **Corregidor Island, Cabanatuan POW camp.**

Army Tech. Sgt. Ross H. Thompson, 50, POW

#### **Saipan**

Marine Corps Reserve Cpl. Jack S. Brown, 22,  
Marine Corps Reserve Cpl. William R. Ragsdale, 23,  
Army Pfc. Robert L. Alexander, 27,

### **Europe:**

#### **France**

U.S. Army Staff Sgt. Casimir P. Lobacz, 25,  
U.S. Army Pfc. Lowell D. Smith, 24,  
Army Pfc. Worley D. Jacks, 21,  
U.S. Army Pfc. Donald Hofman, 19,

#### **Hürtgen Forest**

Army Pvt. Alevin A. Hathaway, 20,  
Army Pvt. Carl G. Dorsey, 19,  
Army Pfc. David N. Owens, 27,

#### **Lampaden Germany**

U.S. Army Pvt. John P. Cooper, 37,

#### **Berlin**

Army Air Forces Sgt. Herald R. Boyd, 25,

#### **Stalag Luft 6, in Heydekrug, Germany.**

U.S. Army Air Forces Tech. Sgt. William F. Teaff, 26, POW  
U.S. Army Air Forces Staff Sgt. George B. Walker, 25, POW

**Reipertswiller, France,**

U.S. Army Pfc. Sanford Keith Bowen, 26,

**Ploiesti, Romania**

U.S. Army Air Forces Staff Sgt. William O. Wood, 25,

U.S. Army Air Forces Sgt. Elvin L. Phillips, 23,

U.S. Army Air Forces 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. David M. Lewis, 20,

U.S. Army Air Forces Staff Sgt. Donald R. Duchene, 19,

**KOREAN War:**

U.S. Army Pfc. Donald M. Born, 19,

Army Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class James A. Coleman, 22,

U.S. Army Pvt. Felix M. Yanez, 19,

U.S. Army Pfc. Edward J. Reiter, 17,

Currently from WWII, there are 72,272 still unaccounted for. 7,529 still missing from the Korean. 1,582 American servicemen and civilians still unaccounted for from the Vietnam War, 5 missing from the Gulf War and 126 from the Cold War.

**To all those who gave their lives and lay in unmarked repose; may your souls rest  
with God in eternal peace.**



**SUFFOLK COUNTY BUDGET**

PROPOSED EXPENSES	PROPOSED 2021/22	SPENT 2021/22	PROPOSED 2022/23
ADMINISTRATION	300	0	300
AMERICANISM	200	?	200
BOND	380	359	380
COUNTY CHAPLAIN	350	350	200
COLOR GUARD	300	300	300
COUNTY ADJUTANT	1100	1100	1100
COUNTY COMMANDER	1650	1650	1650
COUNTY COMMANDER HILL DAY	200	0	200
COUNTY COMMANDER HOME COMING	200	0	200
COUNTY CONVENTION HOST POST	1000	1000	1000
COUNTY COMMANDER ELECT DEPT. CONVENTION	200	0	200
COUNTY FINANCE OFFICER	900	900	900
COUNTY HISTORIAN	100	0	100
COUNTY MEMERSHIP	1200	315	1000
COUNTY SERVICE OFFICER	100	0	100
DEPT. COMMANDERS PROJECT	300	500	500
DEPT. CMDR. VISITATION MOTEL/BREAKFAST	0	0	300
DEPT. DELEGATES (200)	3000	1800	3000
DEPT. CONVENTION DELEGATES DINNER/ HOSP. ROOM	600	600	800
DEPT. MID WINTER	750	750	750
DONATIONS	600	900	600
FOUR CHAPLAINS SERVICE	0	150	150
LAW & ORDER	100	0	100
LEGIONAIRE OF THE YEAR	100	0	100
LEGISLATIVE HILL DAY	200	0	200
MEETING REFRESHMENTS ( 10X150 1X200)	1750	1750	1750
NATIONAL CEMETERIES (DUES)	100	90	90
NATIONAL COMMANDERS DINNER (2+2+1 )	325	0	500
NATIONAL COVENTION DELEGATES (350 MAX)	3500	3480	3500
ORATORICAL	800	550	800
PAST COMMANDERS PIN	500	540.95	600
PUBLIC RELATIONS	100	0	100
SAL CHAIRMAN	200	200	200
SGT-AT-ARMS	350	350	350
TAX PREP	300	300	300
10th.DIST DUES	800	746.49	800
10th. DIST. REFRESHMENT MEETING	250	250	250
WEB MASTER	300	300	300
WEB PROGRAM MAINTENANCE	200	369.44	200
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23,215.00</b>	<b>20,000.88</b>	<b>24,070.00</b>



<b>PROPOSED INCOME/RECEIPTS 2022/23</b>	<b>2021/22</b>	<b>2021/22</b>	<b>2022/23</b>
	<b>PROPOSED</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>PROPOSED</b>
<b>MEMBERSHIP/PUFL</b>	<b>21300</b>		<b>21500</b>
<b>COUNTY MEETINGS BOTTLE RAFFLE</b>	<b>500</b>		<b>1000</b>
<b>WAYS &amp; MEANS</b>	<b>500</b>		<b>400</b>
<b>DIRECTORY</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>200</b>
<b>COUNTY CONVENTION COMMITTEE</b>	<b>200</b>		<b>100</b>
<b>DEPT. COMMANDERS VISITATIONL</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>200</b>
<b>LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>100</b>
<b>UNALLOCATED</b>	<b>530</b>		<b>500</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>23,030.00</b>		<b>24,070.00</b>



# DONALD C. MONRO POST - No. 944



## EXECUTIVE BOARD

Commander Kenneth G. Dolan  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Philip J. Barczak  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Hans E. Richter  
3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Hugh Doherty  
Adjutant George J. Tiernan  
Finance Officer Ed Bonilla



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Sergeant at Arms Walter W. Sefker  
Chaplain John E. Karman  
Service Officer Edward Letsch  
Historian Joseph Fazio

Member-at-Large  
Hugh Doherty



## NOMINATION

At a regularly scheduled membership meeting of the Donald C. Munro Post 944 the following was discussed concerning Legionnaire Kenneth G. Dolan:

WHEREAS Legionnaire Kenneth G. Dolan has been a loyal and paid up for life member of the American Legion;

WHEREAS he has been an active member of the Donald C. Munro Post 944 for more than twelve years;

WHEREAS he has initiated and maintained the Post's newsletter to date;

WHEREAS he has faithfully served as the Post's Adjutant;

WHEREAS he's served and currently serves as the Post's commander for the past eight years and is embarking on his ninth year as Commander;

WHEREAS he has served 19 years as a member the Suffolk County Veterans Advisory Board, representing the Suffolk County American Legion (SCAL) and the U.S. Coast Guard CPOA;

WHEREAS he has and is currently the SCAL Legislative Chairman;

WHEREAS he is currently serving the SCAL as its Service Officer for the past three years;

WHEREAS he is serving as the SCAL's representative to the VAVS,

The Legionnaires of the Donald C. Munro Post 944 do declare Legionnaire Kenneth G. Dolan eminently qualified to serve as Commander of the SCAL and hereby nominate him for the office of Commander of the SCAL.

Submission of his nomination was voted at the general membership meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "George J. Tiernan".

George Tiernan  
Adjutant





The American Legion is the nation's largest Veterans wartime organization. Central to its mission is to mentor youth, sponsor wholesome programs, advocate patriotism, and promote national security. The American Legion Oratorical Contest is an academic speaking challenge. It teaches many things, like key leadership qualities, the history of our nation's laws, the ability to think and speak clearly, and an understanding of the duties, responsibilities, rights and privileges of American citizenship. Scholarship prizes are awarded at the County, District, Zone, Department, and National levels. The American Legion's National Organization awards the scholarships, which can be used at any college or university in the United States.

### **Additional Information:**

- High school students who are US citizens or lawful permanent residents under age 20 are eligible.
- You must also be:
  - Presently enrolled in a high school or junior high school (public, parochial, military, private or home school)
  - Enrolled in high school or junior high school during the time of participation at any level of The American Legion National High School Oratorical Contest.
  - Either be legally domiciled within or attend an educational institution within the department that they enter competition. Contestants can enter competition through only one department.
- Speaking subjects must be on some aspect of the U.S. Constitution, with some emphasis on the duties and obligations of citizens to our government. Speeches are eight to 10 minutes long; three- to five-minute speeches on an assigned topic also are part of the contest.





## **Competition Dates:**

**Date: Saturday December 3, 2022**

**Place: Feustel Kurdt American Legion Post #1120  
80 Herbert Avenue, Lindenhurst, New York 11757**

**Time: 9:30 am – 12 noon**

**For more information please call:**

**Oratorical Chairperson: Lenore Brathwaite (631) 805-7199**

### **Why You Should Be Interested:**

Many Americans are poorly informed about basic constitutional provisions, according to a new national survey by the Annenberg Public Policy Center.

The annual Annenberg Constitution Day Civics Survey finds that:

More than half of Americans (53 percent) incorrectly think it is accurate to say that immigrants who are here illegally do not have any rights under the U.S. Constitution;  
More than a third of those surveyed (37 percent) can't name any of the rights guaranteed under the First Amendment;

Only a quarter of Americans (26 percent) can name all three branches of government.

"Protecting the rights guaranteed by the Constitution presupposes that we know what they are. The fact that many don't is worrisome," said Kathleen Hall Jamieson, director of the Annenberg Public Policy Center (APPC) of the University of Pennsylvania. "These results emphasize the need for high-quality civics education in the schools and for press reporting that underscores the existence of constitutional protections."

***Please come out and show your support for our student contestants. They are the very best of our young people!***

