

Kells-Grennie Post #316

The Patriot

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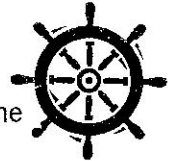
OFFICERS

Commander.....	Gene Ramirez
Vice-Commanders.....	Tom Simonetti
.....	Nick Moscariello
.....	John Crowley
.....	Sal Bastiani
Treasurer.....	Emery Chagnon
Adjutant.....	to be determined
Judge Advocate.....	Ferdie Salvatore
Chaplain.....	Pat Miserendino
Sgt-at-Arms.....	Jerry Quinn

Committees

Americanism.....	John Crowley
Bar & Lounge.....	Leo Milham
Boys State.....	Frank Triolo
Children & Youth.....	Sal Bastiani
Graves Registration.....	Tom Simonetti
Hall Rentals.....	Gene Ramirez
Historian.....	Lester Modelowitz
Honor Guard Captain.....	Emery Chagnon
Hospital Visitations.....	Vincent Zangari
Houseman.....	Gene Ramirez
Membership.....	Dennis J. Conroy
Post Editor.....	Dennis J. Conroy
Post Parties.....	Rocco Valenti
POW/MIA.....	Lester Modelowitz
Program Chairman.....	Elias Arout
Publicity.....	Elias Arout
Service & Welfare.....	Leo Milham

The Commander's Message



Now that summer is over, it's time to close down the swimming pools and man the rakes, as the leaves begin to fall. It's also the time to begin preparations for our Fall and Winter activities.

On Friday, September 8th, we will hold our "official" Installation of Post Officers by the new County Commander, Lawrence Lee. All members are invited to attend.

In October, our Post Honor Guard and members will participate in this year's Columbus Day Parade on New Dorp Lane (*date to be determined*).

On Saturday, October 14th, we will hold our annual Columbus Day dinner-dance, 7:00pm at the Post (*see notice in this newsletter*). Come on down and have a good time.

Also in October we will be forming the committees' to begin preparations for this year's Adult and Children's Holiday Parties. If anyone is interested in serving on a committee, please let me know.

Yours for the Legion,
Gene Ramirez
Post Commander

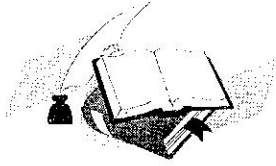


It's Party Time

On Saturday night, October 14th, the Post will hold it's annual Columbus Day Party. The cost is only \$30.00, per person. This includes a Hot buffet, open bar, an assortment of Italian pastries and entertainment by *Carminé*. For reservations/information, call Rocco Valenti at 987-0845.

Membership Report

Our membership goal for year 2001 is 340 members. As of the end of August we have 164 renewals, or 48.2% of our goal. If you haven't sent in your 2001 renewal notice, please do so now. We have until May 30th of next year to attain our goal.



Highlights of the "Minutes of the Meeting"

July 14 Our guests tonight was our Boys State representative to this years convention, Timothy Kuck and his proud parents. Chairman Frank Triolo introduced Tim, a senior at Monsignor Farrell High School to the membership. Tim told us that he really enjoyed his week at Boys State. He told the members that he has a better appreciation of our flag, our country, our government and our veterans. He told how the Marine Corps drill instructors taught them discipline and respect for our flag. He liked it so much that he is now considering applying to the service academies for his college education. Over 650 high school students from all over New York State participated in this years program. Congratulations to Frank Triolo for choosing such an outstanding young man to represent our Post.

Due to a scheduling conflict, Post Commander Gene Ramirez announced that the installation of Post Officers for the year 2000-2001 has been changed to Friday, September 8th, at the Post.



The winner of the 50/50 drawing was John Crowley. Congratulations, John.

July 28 Tonight's meeting centered entirely on the *Sons of the American Legion*, Squadron #316. Over the last few months several Post members have voiced complaints over the Squadrons inactivity with regard to their participation in Post activities. Since last October, the Squadron has not participated in any parades or ceremonies conducted by the Post. It was discovered that the Squadron participated in Memorial Day ceremonies held in the Bronx, instead of supporting our own ceremonies here on Staten Island. It was also reported that the Squadron refused to submit their membership and activities list to the Richmond County Sons of the American Legion coordinator, Joseph LeBrio.

A motion was made to arrange a hearing between the Officers of the Post and the Officers of the *Sons of the American Legion*. The purpose of this meeting is to give the *Sons* the opportunity to refute these allegations. The date and time of this meeting will be determined upon the return of the Post Judge advocate, who is currently on vacation.



The winner of the 50/50 drawing was Anthony Barbara. Congratulations, Tony.

August 11 Lester Modelowitz, Richmond County Membership Chairman, announced that a Membership workshop will be held at our Post on Monday, August 14th. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss ways to increase Legion membership throughout Staten Island. All Membership Chairmen from Staten Island Posts have been invited to attend.

Corporation Treasurer, Paul Zalesak, handed out the second quarter financial report to the members in attendance. After explaining this quarters expenses, the members approved his report.



The winner of the 50/50 drawing was Julius Riso. Congratulations, Julius.

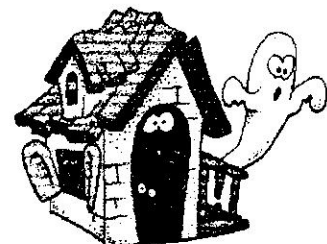
August 25 Member Leo Milham advised the members about a new telephone scam: A person claiming to be from the phone company calls and says that they want to checkout your line. They ask you to press "9" + "0" + "#". Sounds easy doesn't it? Once you comply with this easy request, they now can get access to your telephone number and dial anywhere in the world at your expense. Be careful.

A donation of \$50.00 was given to the Richmondtown Engine Company #1, Volunteer Fire Department.

The Richmond County Installation of Officers will be held on Monday night, October 18, 7:30pm at the Crystal Room in South Beach. For additional information, please contact Commander Gene Ramirez or Judge Advocate Ferdie Salvatore.



The winner of the 50/50 drawing was Dennis Conroy. Congratulations, Dennis.



News You Can Use

As many leagionnaires know, the Veterans Administration opened a Veterans Health Care Center several years ago in Stapleton, at 21 Water Street (*directly across from the Home Port*). The hours of operation are from 8:00am to 4:30pm, Monday through Friday. To make an appointment, call them at (718) 815-2500.

If you haven't enrolled in this program, please do so. It's to your benefit. The Clinic offers physical exams, eye exams, preventive care, primary care, inpatient and outpatient services, rehabilitation and other services. To enroll, just call the Clinic and they will provide all the information that you need.

For current members, here is additional information you may not be aware of:

You can refill a VA prescription by telephone, by calling (718) 439-4164 or (888) 207-2004. This service is provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

If you have any health questions, you can also call the VA Nurses Helpline at 1-800-877-6976. This service is also available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Every 2nd Friday of every month a DAV National Service Officer is available at the Clinic to assist you in your

pursuit for VA benefits. The NSO's hours are from 9:00am until 3:30pm.

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| BIRTHDAY | ANNIVERSARY | ENGAGEMENT | RETIREMENT |
| SHOWER | <i>Planning a Party?</i> | | CHRISTENING |
| GRADUATION | COMMUNION | CONFIRMATION | BAR MITZVAH |

Why Not Have It At Your Post?

The Post has a modern hall facility that can accommodate from 40 to 100 people. The rental fee is \$450.00 (\$400.00 to Post members*) for 5 hours usage (One hour to Set-up, Four hours to party).

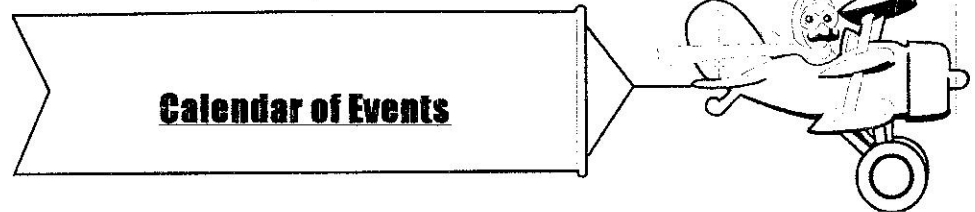
Included in the price:

Soda (Coke, Diet Coke, Ginger Ale, 7-up, Tonic Water, Club Soda, Red Birch Beer and Water), Soda Cups, Ice Cubes, Coffee, Sanka, Tea, Decaffeinated Tea, Milk, Sugar, Sugar Substitutes, Stirrers, Coffee Cups, a Bartender and Clean-up Person.

Come on down any Monday or Friday night after 8:00pm and see it for yourself. Just ask for Gene. He'll be happy to show you around. You'll be glad you did.

Why pay more and get less?

*With 2+ years membership with our Post.



- September**
- 2nd, Saturday
 - 4th, Monday
 - 8th, Friday
 - 14th, Thursday
 - 15th, Friday
 - 17th, Sunday
 - 18th, Monday
 - 22nd, Friday
 - 27th, Wednesday
 - 30th, Saturday

- V-J Day. Japan signed formal surrender (1945).
- **Labor Day.** *
- Membership Meeting, *Installation of Post Officers*, 8:30pm at the Post.
- Star Spangled Banner written by Francis Scott Key (1814).
- County Meeting 7:30pm, to be held at Gold Star Post in Travis.
- POW/MIA Recognition Day. *
- U. S. Constitution Approved (1787). *
- U. S. Air Force established (1947).
- Membership Meeting, 8:30pm at the Post.
- *Sons of the American Legion*, Membership meeting, 8:00pm at the Post.
- Rosh Hashanah.

- October**
- 9th, Monday
 - 13th, Friday
 - 20th, Friday
 - 25th, Wednesday
 - 27th, Friday
 - 31st, Tuesday

- **Columbus Day** (observed). *
- Yom Kippur.
- Membership Meeting, 8:30pm at the Post.
- U. S. Navy established (1775).
- County Meeting (Political Forum) 7:30pm, to be held at Joseph Merrell Post.
- *Sons of the American Legion*, Membership meeting, 8:30pm at the Post.
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- Navy Day. *
- Halloween.

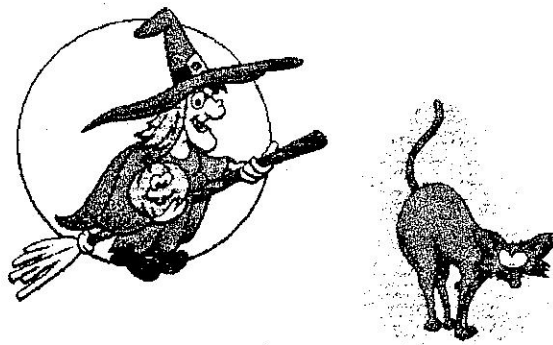


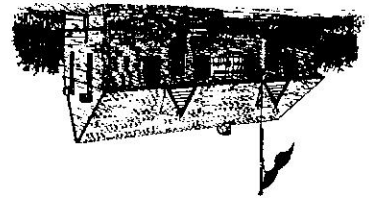
* Fly the Flag

2000 Membership Anniversaries

The following legionnaires of the Kell-Grennie Post #316 celebrated their continuous year membership anniversaries in the American Legion, as follows:

<u>55 years</u>	Fred Campo Anthony M. Petosa	H. Chester Kolehmainen Edward Procopio	Louis R. Lomangino
<u>45 years</u>	Peter Montalto		
<u>40 years</u>	John G. Anderson	Joseph Iacono	Nicholas Tukaylo
<u>30 years</u>	Charles J. Mallano	James T. Procopio	Patsy Serra
<u>20 years</u>	Elias Arout Peter Mallano	Joseph J. Corio	George L. Grumo
<u>15 years</u>	Justin Lemelson Herbert M. Schulman	Charles P. McIntyre James Silas	Charles C. Pasqua
<u>10 years</u>	Sylvester Bongiorno Albert P. DeLillo Francis B. Greenwald Leroy L. Manookian Robert G. Rumbold William A. Sweitzer	George L. Clark Edward G. Delmar Harold S. Howes George J. Molfino Ronald Ryan	James A. Connors Edward K. Esposito Anthony Lacertosa John J. O'Hara Ervin A. Shriver





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