

The Brewster Bugle

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From the Commander...

Art Hanley

Commander, VFW Post 672

Thank you to all who came to help out on Founder's Day. Participation in community events is an important part of our mission as well as a great tool for recruiting and raising funds.

Please join us on Sunday October 8, for the startup of our Breakfast fundraising season. We need both helpers and customers. If cooking is not your thing, we need help setting up, serving and cleaning up. If for some reason you don't want to pitch in by working a few hours, please support the Post by joining members of the Post and the community for a hearty breakfast at a price that can't be beat.

At the October monthly meeting we will be holding an election to fill two vacant Trustee positions. At the September meeting I read letters of resignation from Trustee Roger Gross who has relocated and Trustee Louis Gasparini who has conflicting family obligations. I thank both of them for their many years of service to the Post. Those elected will fill the positions for the remaining term of each of those positions. One will expire in the spring of 2018 and the other in the spring of 2019.

October is also a month of meetings at both the District and Department levels. The Fall District conference is scheduled for 1:00 PM on October 1 at the Maybrook Post in Orange County. Anyone who would like to attend is welcome to join us. The Department Fall conference is in Albany. We will have representatives in attendance October 20-21, who will bring back detailed reports of what was discussed and what information was passed along from National.

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Upcoming Events

Below are this month's events. We look forward to seeing you there!!

Oct 1st 1pm – District 2 Fall Meeting at Maybrook Post 2064

Oct 1st 10am – Putnam County Stands Up for America at Cornerstone Park in Carmel.

Oct 8th 9am to 11am – First Breakfast Fundraiser of the Season

Oct 13th 8pm – Post 672 Monthly Business Meeting

Oct 11th 7pm – Note: Auxiliary Meeting is Cancelled

Oct 18th 7:30pm - County Council Meeting at Cold Spring Post

Oct 20 & 21st – Department Fall Conference in Albany

Oct 22nd 11am & 2pm – Veterans Chow Down



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On October 22 the PFC Joseph P Dwyer Vet2Vet Program of Putnam County will be hosting their 3rd Annual Chow Down at Putnam County Golf Club. This is a free dinner which includes USO entertainment. Information can be found in this newsletter.

As always, should you have any suggestions, ideas, questions, constructive criticisms, etc. please feel free to call or text me at 914-261-4721 or email me at ahanley@vfwpost672.org

Yours in Comradeship,

Art Hanley

Mark Your Calendars for Post 672 Christmas Parties

The details are still being worked out, but we have dates for the Post Christmas Party and Kid's Christmas Party. The adults' party will be Saturday, December 2nd and the kids' party will be December 3rd.

Post Members on Active Duty

Below are the Post members currently serving on active duty. Double asterisk (**) and bold text indicate member is currently deployed.

SFC Samuel Bethea, US Army
LTC Michael Burkott, USAF
SSG Christopher Castelli, US Army
PVT Robert W. Folchetti, USMC
MAJ Brian Hanley, US Army
MAJ Matthew Jordan, US Army
MAJ Andrew Pesature, US Army
****MAJ Daniel Pesature, US Army****
LTCOL Michael Volpe, US Army

Below are mailing addresses for currently deployed Post members. Please note that rank may be purposely omitted from the address:

Daniel Pesature
Unit 6060 Box 734
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Veterans Crisis Line

The Veterans Crisis Line connects Veterans in crisis and their families with qualified, caring Department of Veterans Affairs responders through a confidential toll-free hotline, online chat, or text. Veterans and their loved ones can call 1-800-273-8255 and press 1, chat online, or send a text message to 838255 to receive confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Support for deaf and hard of hearing individuals is available.

"It takes the courage and strength of a warrior to ask for help."

This Month's Member Birthdays

William Fallon 2

Joseph Buser 12

John McQueeney 12

Welcome Home Major Gil

A welcome home ceremony was held on September 16th for Post Member Andres Gil's unit at their reserve base in Danbury. Below is a photo of Comrade Gil with his family.



Exchange Privileges Extended to More Veterans

The Defense Department recently announced that veterans will soon be able to shop online at military exchanges. The policy change will extend limited online military exchange shopping privileges to all honorably discharged veterans of the military. The shopping benefit will be effective this Veterans Day, Nov. 11, 2017.

Building & Grounds Update

Rob Rottkamp

Sr. Vice Commander, VFW Post 672

Thanks to Rob Rottkamp for all his hard work on the building and grounds!!

Veterans Chow Down

An appreciation dinner to honor those who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces, the 2017 Veterans Chow Down is Sunday Oct 22nd. The event will be at Putnam County Golf Course at 187 Hill Street in Mahopac. Invitation is for Veteran and a Guest. There are two seatings, at 11am and 2pm, and seating is limited. RSVP at www.murphy.nysenate.gov or call 914-962-2624. Presented by the Putnam County Veterans Service Agency and PFC Joseph Dwyer Vet2Vet Program. Co-hosted by Senator Terrance Murphy, Senator Sue Serino and County Executive Maryellen O'Dell.

Mark Your Calendars Now for Brewster High School Veterans Day Concert

The BHS Choir, BHS Band, NJROTC and Semper Fi are hosting the Veteran's Appreciation Concert this year the the Brewster High School Performing Arts Center (PAC), where it always is, on Wednesday, November 8th at 6:30pm. It should end around 8:30-9:00pm. All are welcome. Admission is Free. Coffee and desert will be provided.

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