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Annual Report of the Commander for the Officer Term of 2016-2017.

We have completed a very busy and successful year. Our focus during the year has been on community involvement and public relations. We have been featured in five articles in the Long Island Advance and have published four Letters to the Editor. Our outreach to the community is starting to be rewarded with invitations from homeowners associations and schools inviting us to perform ceremonies and attend their functions and classes.

Financially, the Post is solvent and in good condition.

The following is a list of major projects completed:

- Obtained 20-year lease of the property for the Post.
- Front Emblem replacement completed.
- Corrected and brought up to date the rifle inventory and paperwork.
- Fundraiser completed.
- Joined Chamber of Commerce.
- Honor Flight – member sponsorship.
- Installation of CCTV Security system.
- Obtained Alarm Permit with Suffolk County Police Department.

The following is a list of major projects started but not completed:

- Cannon Restoration started.
- Starting a Color Guard.
- Stair Lift Accessibility started.
- Veteran Monument Identification committee started.
- Flag Rewards project started.
- Started assistance with the G.A.R. Statue restoration.

The following is a list of major projects continued from the prior term:

More involvement with the community (Blue Ridge Condos).

Dwyer Project continuation.

The following identifies all of the Events attended by members of the Post:

June 4 - Installation of 2016/2017 Officers.

June 8 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

June 8 - School Awards at South Ocean Middle School and Saxton Middle School.

June 14 - Flag Day Ceremony at Blue Ridge Condo Complex in Medford.

June 15 - School Awards at Bay Avenue Elementary School.

June 16 - School Awards at River Elementary and Medford Elementary.

June 18 - Flag Retirement Ceremony.

June 18 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

July 4 - Independence Day Parade.

July 13 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

July 14 - Missing In America Project - Interment of one Abandoned Veteran.

July 16 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

Aug 4 - Korean War MIA Interment Ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery.

Aug 10 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

Aug 13 - Veterans Appreciation BBQ.

Aug 18 - Missing In America Project - Interment for abandoned Veteran (Cancelled).

Aug 20 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

Sep 14 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

Sep 15 - Missing In America Project - Interment of one Abandoned Veteran.

Sep 17 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

Sep 27 - Missing In America Project - Interment of 27 Abandoned Veterans.

Oct 6 - Missing In America Project - Interment of 1 Abandoned Veteran.

Oct 12 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

Oct 13 - Missing In America Project - Interment of 1 Abandoned Veteran.

Oct 15 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

Oct 16 - Color guard for Special Olympics Adaptive Sports Games at St Josephs College.

Oct 21 - Missing In America Project - Interment of 1 Abandoned Veteran.

Oct 30 - Suffolk County Marathon to support Veterans.

Nov 6 - St. Joseph's College Veterans Celebration.

Nov 9 - Emanuel Lutheran Church - Veterans Luncheon.

Nov 9 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

Nov 10 - Sayville Middle School - Veterans Appreciation and talks.

Nov 10 - Brookhaven Town Veterans Luncheon.

Nov 11 - Veterans Day Ceremony in Patchogue.

Nov 11 - Veterans Day Ceremony at St. Joseph's College.

Nov 12 - Color Guard and Speech at Blue Ridge Condos.

Nov 17 - Missing In America Project - Interment of 1 Abandoned Veteran.

Nov 19 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

Nov 26 - Patchogue Christmas parade.

Dec 4 - Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony.

Dec 9 - Salute to Departed Comrades.

Dec 11 - Post Everlasting for Joseph Doran.

Dec 14 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

Dec 15 - Missing In America Project - Interment of 1 Abandoned Veteran.

Dec 17 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

Dec 17 - Wreaths Across America at Calverton National Cemetery.

Jan 9 - Post Everlasting for Veteran Anthony Moscato (non-member).

Jan 11 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

Jan 21 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

Jan 24 - Open as Emergency and Warming Center due to storm and flooding.

Feb 2 - Missing In America Project - Interment of 2 Abandoned Veterans.

Feb 8 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

Feb 18 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

Feb 19 - Back To God. Four Chaplains Remembrance Ceremony.

Feb 23 - Missing In America Project - Interment of 2 Abandoned Veterans.

Mar 8 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

Mar 18 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

Mar 19 - St. Patrick's Day Parade

Mar 19 - Fundraiser - Dinner and Chinese Auction.

Mar 30 - Military Graduate Recognition Ceremony at St. Joseph's College.

Apr 12 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

Apr 13 - Missing In America Project - Interment of 2 Abandoned Veterans.

Apr 15 - Patchogue-Medford High School Veterans Recognition Day.

Apr 27 - Missing In America Project - Interment of 1 Abandoned Veterans.

Apr 30 – Eagle Scout Court of Honor.

May 6 – Honor Flight Send Off and Welcome Home.

May 10 - "No One in Attendance" ceremony at Calverton National Cemetery (Patriot Guard Riders).

May 11 – Missing in America Project – Interment of 1 abandoned Veteran at Calverton.

May 12 – Air Force Junior ROTC Awards.

May 20 - Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project - Monthly Outreach Program.

May 27 – Flags In tradition.

May 29 – Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony.

For God and Country

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