

SUFFOLK COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION

COUNTY CONVENTION, 06/09/2018

Brentwood, New York

The day started with SCAL Chaplin Tom Bergin and Commander Mike Pankowski, leading us in "Post Everlasting" ceremonies at 11 AM. Over 100 members were enrolled>

Commander Mike Pankowski, convened the Suffolk County Convention at 1 PM. It was opened with proper ceremony and respect.

Roll call of Officers, 10 present 1 excused.

Roll call of Posts, 29 posts present.

Adjutant Beecher read Convention Call.

Host Post Commander Bob Kampel welcomes all to Post 1006.

Commander Pankowski then asked Madam President Joan Smith to give her report to the assembled Legionnaires. She said that the ladies number nearly 1300 and that 26 young ladies will be attending Empire Girls State, She reported on some of the activities and fund raising done by the Auxiliary. A job well done.

Commander Pankowski asked that Chris Cirillo, Suffolk County Commander of the Sons of the American Legion give his report. He stated that a new Commander has been elected, and spoke of the fund raiser for "Doc Gibbs" (leading candidate for National Sons Commander) and thanked all for their support.

Finance Officer reported that the yearend would be given at the County Roundtable held in August.

Delegates were elected to the Department Convention.

Committee Reports:

Americanism, report to follow as he had no copy for this adjutant.

Boys State, report included.

Credentials, report included.

Law and Order, report included and awards presented.

Legionnaire of the Year, report included.

Membership, report included awards presented.

Resolutions, both proposed resolutions read, Cold War Medal approved to be sent to Department for further action. 2nd resolution to change the charter of the American Legion to accept all service members from Cold War was defeated.

Elections for 2018-2019

All of the follow were elected by the Adjutant casting one vote for each:

Mike Pankowski, Commander.

Chaplin, Tom Bergin.

Finance Officer, Robert W. Smith.

Historian, Jerry Duran.

Sgt at Arms, William Farley.

1st Division Commander, Joe Regina, 2nd Division Commander, Steve Antonacci, 3rd Division Commander, Reverend Fred Miller, 5th Division Commander, Marty Knab.

Appointments: Jim Beecher, Adjutant and Fred Loucka, Service Officer

All were sworn in by PNVC Bob Neville.

Convention closed with proper ceremony at 2:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Beecher, Adjutant