

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

May is our busiest month of the year; starting on May 20th at Lasdon Park we will help them with their annual plant sale. It starts at 9:00 AM; we help by carrying the plants to the buyer's cars. For helping the Friends of Lasdon, they donate \$1,000.00 to our Foundation Basecamp Westchester.

On May 28th Westchester County will hold the annual Veterans Appreciation Day at Play land. There will be free parking, free entrance, free rides and free barbeque. Plus the Marines will land four helicopters and set up a defensive perimeter. Our Chapter will have tables set up to sell our hats, shirts; pins, etc. please stop at the tables and help out for a little while. The Park opens at 11:00 Am, I would arrive at 9:00 for a good parking spot and to help set up our tables. After Playland we will hold our annual barbeque for the guys at the PTSD Unit at Montrose VA Hospital. It will be held behind building 15 at 4:00 PM.

After the Barbeque we will hold the "watch fire" on the picnic grounds at the Hospital. This ceremony of lighting a bonfire is to guide all of the POWs and MIAs back home.

The next day on the 29th we will march in the Yorktown Memorial Day parade; first a ceremony will be held at 11:00 AM in front of Town hall and then step off.

Then at 2:00 PM we will hold our Memorial Day ceremonies at the Vietnam memorial at Lasdon Park.

Take care of yourself and each other

Dan Griffin

Welcome to our newest members

Joseph Musich life member from Stamford, CT

Donald Lewandoski life member from Greenwich, CT

Michael Bolnik from Harrison