

American Legion Lt. B. R. Kimlau Chinese Memorial Post 1291 Legion Year 23 – 24 Newsletter No. 1

紐約華裔美國退伍軍人會會務簡訊

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Dear Legionnaires 親愛的會友:

Our Post teamed up with the New York City Old Guards in sponsoring 35 Fort Hamilton High School students who are economically disadvantaged and enrolled in the Junior Reserve Officer Training Cadet (JROTC) program to attend summer camp at the New York Military Academy. The JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC) is a six-day summer camp anticipated to have 350 Army / Air Force / Marine /Navy cadets from various JROTC participants from the tri-state area. Cadets will fully engage in activities such as rappelling, canoeing, obstacle courses, zip lines, orienteering, drill ceremonies and various teambuilding events. The intent is to challenge cadets in an austere environment and develop their leadership, communication, and social skills. The Kimlau Post is a strong supporter of one of the American Legion's pillars of making a positive impact in the development of our youth, future military recruiting, and future veterans joining the American Legion.

Memorial Day is a day to pay tribute to the warriors who have given the ultimate sacrifice to secure the safety and freedom of our nation. It is a special yet solemn day as it reminds veterans and civilians alike of the immense price we pay for freedom. As Americans, we owe a debt of gratitude for those who have made the ultimate sacrifice. Our Post participated in the Memorial Day Ceremony at the uptown Soldiers and Sailors Monument in the morning. The annual Memorial Day observance included the laying of wreaths by many veterans' organizations and active duty, reserve and cadet military units also joined us. In the afternoon, our Post held a Memorial Day Parade in Chinatown. Sincere thanks to the Legion, Auxiliary and SAL members, elected Government officials and community leaders for participating in the parade. U.S. Representative Dan Goldman, NYS Assembly Members Grace Lee and Lester Chang, NYC Council Member Christopher Marte, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office Deputy Director General Rita Chen, Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association President Raymond Tsang and 5th Precinct Commander Tao Chen gave speeches that recognized the enormous sacrifice and contributions of Chinese American veterans to the country, yet they still continue to face the challenges of anti-Asian hate and that has to change.

We started the new Legion Year with the Legion and SAL Legion Year 2023-2024 officers taking their oaths on June 3rd, 2023. Please join us in congratulating them for a successful year. We would like to thank you for your support and trust. The officers' installation took place at the Post Chairman Peter Woo Auditorium. The reception was at House of Joy Restaurant. We were happy to see increased participation from community and post members who were in attendance at the banquet. The installation banquet had to be held on two separate days due to the capacity limits of restaurants available in Chinatown. Our quests included Taipei Economic and Cultural Office Ambassador James Lee, Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association President Raymond Tsang, New York City Councilman Christopher Marte, various community leaders and four members of the Boston Chinatown Post 328. Thank you to all the VIPs and guests for attending and special thanks to Installation Officer, Department Vice Commander Colleen McCarthy for conducting the installation ceremony for our Kimlau Officers. Retiring Commander Hon. Judge Eng said he will always cherish his time as commander of Lt. Kimlau Post and will continue to be an active member of the Post. Newly installed Commander Thomas Ong said in his acceptance speech, it has been an incredible two years under the leadership of Hon. Judge Eng. He led the Post back to normal activities and recruited new members even under the most difficult circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic. He took time off and made himself available for all Post functions even with his busy legal career. Commander Ong said he would continue to draw on the knowledge and learn from the Post leadership team. He pledged to uphold the American Legion's goals and principles and to carry on the fine traditions that were built before him. SAL Commander David Eng in his speech thanked their respective members for their support and promised to be avid supporters for all Legion Programs. Congratulations to all the new officers and we wish them all a successful year!

Congratulations to Kimlau Post's newest Legion College graduates; Wayne Hom, Henry Wong, Hon Pun

Chan and Tony Lee. They have successfully completed their studies at SUNY Morrisville in June. The American Legion College is a weekend long immersion into the Legion's program and structure and issues facing veterans. Its goal is to foster leadership skills, teamwork and problem solving of issues they may face in their home post. The curriculum covers an array of topics, such as leadership and communication; Americanism, children and youth; legislation; constitution and bylaws: duties of local officers; media relations; membership and more. From the inaugural class in 2004, our post has had a total of 40 members graduate from the Legion College, which by far leads the New York Department with the most graduates for any single post. We strongly encourage members who are interested in enhancing their knowledge about the Legion to consider signing up for next year's Legion College.

本會與紐約市老衛兵會合作贊助三十五名家庭經濟不景漢密頓堡高中學生參加初級預備役軍官訓練班,這爲期六日的夏令營是在紐約西點軍官學校舉辦。這夏令營將會有三百五十位來自大紐約地區的各陸軍,海軍,空軍,海軍陸戰隊初級預備役學生參加。他們將充分參與各種軍訓活動如速降,獨木舟,越障賽,高空滑索及學習各種儀式。夏令營目的是培養他們在嚴峻及惡劣環境挑戰中增強他們對社交溝通技能及領導才能。本會一向秉持美國退伍軍人會四大支柱之一,對培訓年青子弟不遺餘力,更何況這亦是一個對年青一輩種下他們將來參加退伍軍人會的好機會。

國殤紀念日是向爲國犧牲的戰士致嵩高的敬意,他們不惜以生命保護國家安全和自由,在這沉痛及莊嚴國殤紀念日我們應向退伍軍人及一般平民提醒勇敢的戰士爲自由付出的巨大代價,更應感謝那些爲國犧牲的勇士。本會依往年一樣,在國殤紀念日上午參加在上城陸軍及海軍紀念碑爲陣亡的將士獻花,參與者包括各退伍軍人團體,現役軍人及預備役軍官訓練班學員,場面莊嚴及哀傷。在國殤紀念日下午本會在華埠舉辦一年一度的國殤日遊行,衷心感謝本會會員,家屬會會員,子弟部會員及僑團領袖參加遊行,嘉賓包括美國衆議員高德曼,紐約州衆議員李榮恩及鄭永佳,紐約市議員馬泰,台北經濟文化辦事處陳佩瑩公使,中華公所曾偉康主席,五分局局長陳韜在演說中表示美國華裔退伍軍人對國家的貢獻及付出重大代價,但華人仍然繼續面臨仇亞事件,這種情況必須改變。

本會新一屆的職員已在六月三日在本會伍覺良董事長禮堂就職,我們哀心感謝大家的支持及信賴。在此祝全體職員勝任愉快及成功新的一年。就職晚宴在華埠喜運來酒樓,由於華埠大型酒樓金豐因疫情影響而關閉,不能像往年一樣可以筵開百席,今年只能分設兩日在華埠喜運來酒樓舉行。參加就職典禮嘉賓衆多,包括台北經濟文化辦事處李光章大使,紐約市議員馬泰,中華公所主席曾偉康,及遠道而來的波士頓華裔美國退伍軍人會的四位代表親臨祝賀。特別感謝紐約州副主席主持新一屆職員就職典禮。伍元天主席在卸任致辭中回顧兩年事蹟及強調他將永遠珍惜任內一切時光,並將繼續效勞會務。新任鄧燦業主席感謝伍元天主席在困難的疫情中帶領本會回覆正常運作及招募新會員,他在繁忙的法界工作中仍抽空處理會務。鄧主席表示他將繼續向前輩學習以增進知識,他承諾以退伍軍人會宗旨繼續推進會務,並發揚前人所建立的優良傳統。子弟部李國華主席在致辭中感謝會員支持,並將成爲所有退伍軍人會服務計劃的熱心支持者。 祝賀全體職員勝任愉快及成功的新的一年。

祝賀本會四位紐約退伍軍人大學畢業生,他們是譚超然,黃偉生,陳漢斌,李振摳。他們六月在上州紐約州立莫里維斯分校成功地畢業。這學課是在一個週末內深入學習及研究退伍軍人會宗旨及結構,以及退伍軍人可能面臨的問題。退伍軍人大學的目標是培養領導技能,互相合作,提攜年青一輩,立法,章程,職員責任,媒體關係,會員資格等等對退伍軍人會所有事項。自二零零四年紐約退伍軍人大學第一屆舉辦開始,本會已有四十名會員在紐約退伍軍人大學畢業,這是全紐約州每個退伍軍人會擁有最多的畢業生,這是值得自豪的。我們強烈鼓勵有興趣增長對退伍軍人會知識的會員應考慮報名參加在明年六月舉辦的退伍軍人大學。

2023 Scholarship 二零二三年獎學金

Applications for the 2023 Post Scholarship and the Robert S. Wong Chinese Study Scholarship are being accepted through August 31, 2023. For details concerning qualifications and requirements, please refer to previous newsletters or contact Post Headquarters. Application Forms can be obtained at Post

Headquarters during office hours (2 pm to 4 pm daily) or downloaded directly from our website at www.ltkimlau.com. Anyone who wishes to apply should contact our Post for more information.

本會二零二三年獎學金及司徒旺中國文化獎學金申請日期由一月一日起至八月三十一日止。如你需要有關兩項獎學金詳情,可以參閱以往的會務簡訊或向本會辦公室詢問,有意報名申請者請於該期間填妥表格及預備各種文件,送交本會。獎學金申請表格請於本會辦公時間親臨本會索取或可由本會電腦網站 www.ltkimlau.com 直接下戴。如有疑問,請與本會聯系。

Legion Year 2023 - 2024 Officers 本年度職員

Position 職位	Name(s) 職員
Commander 主席	Thomas Ong 鄧燦業
Vice Commander 副主席	Kenneth Wong 黄建中, Sean Tse 謝國寶, De Zhi Yu 余德志
Adjutant 幹事	Gabe B. Mui 梅本立
Ass't Adjutant 助理幹事	Howard Chin 陳煥寧
Chinese Secretary 中文書記	David Lam 林善群
Treasurer 財政	Wan Y. Tam 譚煥瑜
Judge Advocate 評議	Randall Eng 伍元天
Historian 會歷	Mimi Wang 王咪咪
Sgt. at Arms 糾察	Antonio Chuy 朱超然, Jonathan Klingenberg
Auditor 核數	Don Yee 余超俊, Wilem Wong 黃伯聰
Post Chaplain 宗教主任	Philip Eng 伍沃欽
Executive Committee 執行委員	Jia M. Wu 伍家明, Jimmy Quan 關志文, Bo Chen 陳 波, Arvin Chin
	陳毓堂, Albert Eng 伍澄江, Johnny Kung 龔耀宗, Hon Pun Chan 陳
	漢斌, Joe Law 羅明泰, Yeuk Chung Moy 梅若松, David Yee 余龍青,
	Ping Wing Chu 朱炳榮

First CAVMBC Membership Meeting for LY2023-2024 Sunday June 25, 2023, 1pm at Post Auditorium

For members joined on January 17, 2004 and prior / members has been approved for CAVMBC membership only

二零二三至二零二四年第一次華裔美國退伍軍人實業公司會員大會 六月二十五日星期日,下午一時在本會禮堂舉行

會員必需在一月十七日,二零零四年前加入本會或已經獲實業公司董事局批准入會才能參加會議

First Post General Membership Meeting for LY2023-2024
Sunday June 25, 2023, 3pm at Post Auditorium
For all members, please come and see what's going on, we need your involvement

二零二三至二零二四年第一次會員大會 六月二十五日星期日,下午三時在本會禮堂舉行 請各會員踴躍出席參加,共商會務及各重要事項

We hope the above information will be of interest to you and we hope to hear from you soon. Let us know what we can do for you. Until we meet again, stay well!

我們希望這份簡訊,對你有所幫助,更希望在不久的將來,能得到你參與本會各種活動的回應。假如我們有任何可以爲你服務之處,務請隨時提出意見。

THE STAFF 本會行政小組令人敬啟

Thomas Ong 鄧燦業, Kenneth Wong 黃建中, Sean Tse 謝國寶, De Zhi Yu 余德志 Gabe B. Mui 梅本立, Howard Chin 陳煥寧, David Lam 林善群, Wan Y. Tam 譚煥瑜



LY 23-24 Officers







Legion, Auxiliary, SAL Officers & Past Commanders (above). Post leadership and VIP group photo. Received award from NYC Mayor's Office and group photo at banquet. 退伍軍人會, 家屬會,子弟部全體職員及前任主席合懾 (上圖). 鄧 燦業主席及主席團與嘉賓合懾. 紐約市府頒發表揚狀. (下圖)







Important Dates to Remember (June 2023 – October 2023) 本會二零二三年六月至十月會議及活動日程表

Sunday June 25, 2023 CAVMBC Membership Meeting 1 pm at Post Auditorium (For members joined on January 17, 2004 and prior / members has been approved for CAVMBC membership only)	六月二十五日,星期日 下午一時在本會禮堂 召開二零二二至二三年度第一次華裔美國退 伍軍人實業公司會員大會 (會員必需在一月十七日,二零零四年前加入 本會或已經獲實業公司董事局批準入會才能 參加實業公司會議)
Sunday, June 25, 2023 Post General Meeting 3 pm at Post Auditorium	六月二十五日,星期日 下午三時在本會禮堂 召開二零二三至二四年度第一次會員大會
July 19-22, 2023 Westchester, NY New York Department Convention	七月十九日至二十二日 上州威徹斯特市 舉行紐約美國退伍軍人會州年會
August 25-31, 2023 Charlotte, NC National Convention	八月二十五日至八月三十一日 北卡羅來納州,夏洛特市 舉行美國退伍軍人會全國年會
Monday, September 11, 2023 Department Commander Visitation 9 am Candlelight Vigil Memorial Service 5 pm at Kimlau Square (Pending membership approval)	九月十一日,星期一 紐約州主席拜訪,上午九時 九月十一日星期一,下午五時在劉錦忠烈坊 舉行燭光追悼九一一紀念會 (有待大會通過)
Sunday, September 17, 2023 Post Executive Committee Meeting 2 pm at Post Auditorium	九月十七日, <mark>星期日</mark> 下午二時在本會禮堂 召開二零二三至二四年度第二次職員會議
Monday, September 18, 2023 Post cruise trip to Bermuda Meet at designated locations (to be announced) or Red Hook Cruise Terminal	九月十八日, 星期 一 七日百慕達郵輪旅行團 集合地方有待公佈或自行前往布碌侖郵輪碼頭
Sunday, October 3, 2023 Post General Meeting 2 pm at Post Auditorium	十月三日,星期日 下午二時在本會禮堂 召開二零二三至二四年度第二次會員大會