



A GROUP OF WOMEN WITH ONE THING IN COMMON —
ALL HAVE CHILDREN SERVING IN THE MILITARY.
MARCH, 2022

Chapter President's Letter

Dear Everyone,

Spring is close to appearing! It has been a long winter but we are on the far side of it now. The Canteen held a dinner this past Wednesday night and we had about ten vets show up. We will probably get more as the weather improves. We have a roofing company coming to replace shingles on the roof of the Canteen. They are doing it for free which is wonderful to hear! They have also put us on a list for a manufacturer who does re-roofing for Veterans at no cost. We may get notified next year or the year after. That was very kind of them.

The clothing closet is finally cleared, sorted and ready to roll. It took three days to do that. We have the new refrigerator installed finally, thanks to Brian and Dick. It is a wonderful fridge! It also gives us more room in the kitchen. The floor is clean, thanks to Bobbie and Linda vacuumed up all the salt that got tracked in. Our hot water heater has given up the ghost but we have found a workable alternative. We are now just waiting on the okay from the AG Office in Albany so that we can sign the papers on the Canteen. Keep your fingers crossed.

We are hoping to have the Chicken Barbecue on Armed Forces Day in May. Details will be forthcoming. We have also discussed having our Light of Love this year on Veteran's Day, possibly down at the gazebo at the Lakefront in Canandaigua. It would be wonderful to have Light of Love once again and to honor all that serve and have served.

Please pray for all our service people and those of other NATO countries who have recently been deployed. Please keep all the people of the Ukraine in your prayers as well.

Yours in Service,
Joyce

Results from elections held on October 9, 2021

Blue Star Mothers - New York #1 Elected Executive Board for 2021-2022

President – Joyce Mader

1st Vice President – Nancy Bardeen

2nd Vice President – Linda Green

3rd Vice President – Valerie Haynes

Recording Secretary – Peg McCarthy

Financial Secretary - Bobbie Metcalfe

Treasurer – Beth Olson

The following positions are appointed.

Corresponding Secretary – shared by Jean Burlingame and Bobbie Metcalfe

Chaplain – Nancy Bardeen

Historian – Jane Hallstead

Parliamentarian – Peg McCarthy

Patriotic Instructor – Ann Wido

Sgt. at Arms – Linda Green

As of March 4th, 2022, there are 39 moms and as of November, 2021, there are 44 associate members.

BSMA NY#1 donated and paid for 40 wreaths to be placed on the graves of our Veterans through Wreaths Across America in December, 2021.

Announced at the March meeting, clothing donations for the Canteen are not needed at this time. AMVETS donated food to the Canteen recently.



A new Samsung refrigerator (from Loews) for the Canteen was purchased and installed after approval by membership.



A chicken BBQ is tentatively planned for May 14th, 2022. This is Armed Forces Day. As it is early in the season, we hope for a great turnout!

BSMA National Convention is July 25-30 in Long Beach, California.

Next meeting is Saturday, April 9th, which is Joyce's 39th birthday (again).

Ongoing BSMA NY#1 Fundraisers

Window car clings are available for all military branches. Contact Bobbie at 585-200-0121 for more information on other items and to order.

Keep collecting those used cell phones and toner cartridges (URGENT NEED) from your printers. Also, any scrap metal, wire, old stoves, refrigerators, or other metal items are needed. We get cash for them! Please contact Bobbie Metcalfe.

Interested in contributing information for a future newsletter? The next newsletter will be published in June, 2022; the deadline is the 15th of the month. Please send MaryAgnes (mother of two Marines and godmother of a Soldier) an email at mamcavoy@aol.com should you wish to submit information. Please do check our

website www.bluestarmothersny1.org for additional information, photos, and more. This newsletter is also available on the website address noted above under the “About Us” menu tab.

