

## Diary of a Horse Skeptic

So much to tell you. It has been a long time. I believe that I told you about Honor Fight!!! Just the best day of my life. Yes I know it was a great day when I met you. There was nothing to compare to Honor Flight. My friend and guardian on the flight, Megan Castellano, made me a scrapbook of the day as a Christmas gift. I relive the day every time I look through it. It will be on display in my office for others to see and perhaps understand even a little bit of our experience that special day. It will be here until Valentines Day and then I will bring it home so I can look at I any time I want to. Please stop by!

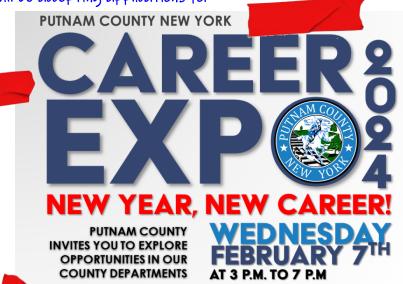
Next Diary I have to make an announcement Deputy
Director Art Hanley has announced that he will be

retiring the end of June. Art will be missed by me and countless Veterans. He helped me build this Agency into a juggernaut for assisting Veterans and their families. Thank you Art for all you have accomplished during your tenure. I salute you!

As part of the departure of Art we will be accepting applications for

the position. Coupled with that will be interviews. Sorry Diary you cannot be part of the interview process. If any readers have an interest in this position please call the Putnam County Personal Department or come to the Putnam County Career Expo and chat with me.

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## **Class Ring Memorial Program**

"Grip hands tho' it be from the shadows"

Since 2001, the West Point Association of Graduates' Class Ring Memorial Program (CRMP) has been symbolically echoing these passages from the "The Corps," making the melting of West Point class rings synonymous with the poetic hymn's "grip hands" sentiments.



During the annual Ring Melt, the CRMP takes graduates' donated class rings, ceremoniously places each ring into a crucible, melts the rings to form a single gold bar, and gifts this gold bar to the newest members of the Long Gray Line to be used in the making of their class rings. Through this process, the figurative aspects of "grip hands" become literal, imbuing each new West Point class ring with all the strength, wisdom, and principles of the "Corps of an earlier day." Their legacy lives thanks to the Class Ring Memorial Program.

Every year since 2001, the West Point Association of Graduates has accepted donations of rings from West Point graduates—both deceased and living—and melted those rings into an ingot of gold at an annual Ring Melt Ceremony. Most of the resulting gold ingot is

added to the commercial gold that will constitute the next graduating class's rings. A small portion of each year's gold ingot, however, does not go into that year's rings. Instead, that gold is preserved and added to the rings that are being melted for the following year's Ring Melt. Once the new ingot is made, again a shaving is taken from that ingot to be used in the subsequent Ring Melt. The gold shavings are known as the Legacy Gold because it contains gold from every ring that has been donated over the years. Because of this Ring Melt process, each West Point ring since 2002 contains gold from class rings of previous generations of the Long Gray Line.





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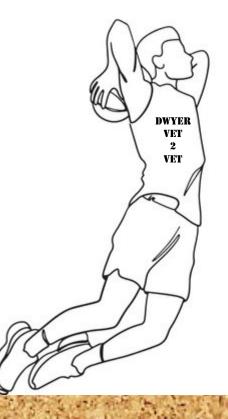


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