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DATES

TO REMEMBER

November 4, 2014

Membership Meeting

7:00 pm - Post Hall

November 4, 2014

SAL Meeting

6:30 pm - Wimmer Room

November 11, 2014

Veteran's Day Observance

11:00 am

November 18, 2014

Auxiliary Meeting

7:00 pm - Post Hall

November 18, 2014

Executive Bd Meeting

7:00 pm - Wimmer Room

November 18, 2014

Auxiliary Meeting

7:00 pm - Post Hall

November 27, 2014

Thanksgiving

December 2, 2014

Membership Meeting

7:00 pm - Post Hall

December 2, 2014

SAL Meeting

6:30 pm - Wimmer Room

Commander's Corner

Hello to All!

First off, let me send out a little note to persons responsible for sending articles to Rob. Please send the articles before 7:00pm on the date of the deadline, which is always no later than the 3rd Saturday of the month. The only articles he received were from the the Aux., 4th District, and from our 1st vice. Hopefully we can still get a newsletter out for November. If not, this will be out in December. If there are not enough articles to make a newsletter by the deadline, there will be no newsletter.

Hopefully things went well for the Halloween dance and Veteran's breakfast. I hope that it was profitable and fun for all. Also, have a good Thanksgiving with friends and family. Don't eat too much. To the deer hunters...Good Luck! I would also like to wish everyone a safe and Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year . That should cover it all.

If you have not sent in your dues yet please do so. I would really like to get to 100% this year. It is definitely possible to do so. It has been done before. If you promised or would like to march in the Veteran's Day parade on Saturday November 8th, please call me at 414-698-3181. I believe that we still need two marchers for this event downtown. They meet at 6th and Kilbourne and start marching at 11:00am sharp. I would be there by 9:30-10:00am. You can park at the Harley Museum and they will shuttle you there if you wish. Please contact me ASAP.

The next 4th District meeting is Wednesday November 19th at the Greendale post and it will be post everlasting. Our post everlasting will be at our November 4th meeting. Please be there before 7:00pm because no one will be let in after then.

Thank You!

Cmdr Nick

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1st Vice Commander

Joe Delaney

Another year is almost over and we are in the middle of our membership drive. I hope that all of you have had a great summer filled with family and friends. Our post now stands at 63% or 201 members that have paid their dues. Last year our post finished with a grand total of 89% or 310 members that paid. This same period last membership year, we were at 68%, so we are lagging behind our last year totals. We had 45 members who did not pay their dues last year, and if not for the 13 new members that the post gained our totals would not have been as high as they were. Membership is something that should be of concern to all the members in the post. Our post puts forth an ambitious program during the year to retain and attract new members, but your officers cannot do this alone. If we cannot get all of our members to pay their dues and remain in the legion, how can we attract more new members? The legion is not alone in this, all fraternal organizations are losing membership as people are either too busy or are inundated with a myriad of requests to join organizations. In order to grow, we must strive to retain the core group of members that belong to our post now, while recruiting new members. I would challenge each member of this post to pay their dues by December 31st of this year and to bring in or refer a new members to the post.

Joe Delaney

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4th District

Mark Sandow

I am writing this in late October, when the weather is almost summer-like. It's nice to wake up and get the paper off the porch and not have to worry about fog or rain or cold temps yet. I know they are coming but they can wait until April or so. That's fine with me.

Membership figures for the District haven't changed much since my last report. We are still in 11th place with about 63% membership paid. We are trailing the 1st place 12th district by a full 9 percentage points. If you haven't paid up for 2015, I ask that you do so at your earliest convenience. Check with Post 1st Vice-Commander Joe Delaney for more details.

OK, I acknowledged the 239th Birthday of the U.S. Navy on October 13th and Navy Day on October 27th. Since this is November, I guess I have to acknowledge the 239th Birthday of the United States Marine Corps on November 10th. Veterans' Day is November 11th and members of Krejci-Braun-Meier VFW Post 7485 will sponsor a brief program featuring a speaker from the U.S. Army Recruiting Office starting at 11am. Refreshments will be supplied by the SAL. This is an opportunity to say "Thanks" to all veterans, especially you, for your service. If you are in the area, stop by.

The next meeting of the Mighty 4th District will be held on Wednesday November 19th, 2014 at Greendale Post 416, 6315 W. Grange Ave starting at 730pm. It will be sponsored by Harley Davidson Post 400. Remember, anyone can attend a District meeting. Hope to see you there.

Mark Sandow

4th District 1st-Vice Commander

Ed's Headbangin' Quiz

1) The TV series The Rifleman was set in North Fork. What state was this town in?

A. Arizona B. New Mexico C. Nevada

2) Where is the MLB Baseball Hall Of Fame located?

A. Louisville, KY B. Tampa, FL C. Cooperstown, NY

3) Where is the Pro Football located?

A. Canton, OH B. Foxboro, MA C. Santa Clara, CA

4) In what Texas city will you find the Alamo?

A. San Antonio B. Austin C. Houston

5) Who had the most #1 singles with 20?

A. Elvis Presley B. The Rolling Stones C. The Beatles



POST 537 AUXILIARY REPORT

Debbie Lynch

Our unit is moving forward. In September we installed our new officers and in October okayed the budget and had the first reading of changes to our by-laws and standing rules.

Debbie Lynch was unable to attend our meeting, Pat Griswold, our 1st Vice, officiated.

Ladies, we desperately need your help. We are having bakery sales at the Nov. 2nd Pancake Breakfast and at our Vendor Show on Nov. 23rd. Besides bakery we need help and if you are unable to do either come and enjoy the event.

Joan Kroll is chairing both bake sales. When wrapping your bakery mark them as to what they are but do NOT price them. We are going to ask for donations.

You have all received your dues notices for 2015, Joan is anxious to get all dues sent to State as soon as possible. Dues are \$25.00 this year. Please send them to:

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If you have any questions concerning dues please call Joan at 414-327-2091 or email her at onescoop@wi.rr.com. We thank every member that has sent in their dues. Please keep them coming in.

Debbie Duerr and Kathie Key are doing a fantastic job putting our Vendor Show together. They have 14 Vendors and there will be raffles and lunch available.

We will have our annual bingo night at our November meeting. So wear your lucky clothes or bring your lucky charms.

God Bless America, our Veterans and Active Troops!!!

- We had 15 members at our meeting on October 21st
- Dee Treibel read the changes to the By-Laws and Standing Rules. She will read them next month again and then we vote on them. Hope to see you there.
- The National Creative Arts Program is here in Milwaukee, November 2nd. All the Veterans from all states will be here to compete. It is free and if interested call Shirley Scott at 541-1832.

- Vendor Show is November 23rd. We have 14 vendors and all different. We will be serving lunch, and have raffles. If you can help let Debbie Duerr know 541-7703.

Dates to remember Put on your calendars

- October 31st St Mathias to put the flyer of the Pancake Breakfast in their bulletin
- November 2nd Pancake Breakfast, bake sale, ornaments. Cook books
- November 18, our Meeting at 7:00 PM
- November 21st St Mathias to put the our flyer about our Vendor Show in their bulletin
- November 26th stuffing envelopes for Todd Tattler

Don't forget to vote

SERVICE OFFICER REPORT

James Waltich Jr.

Anyone knowing of a member that is ill or in need please contact me at jimwaltich@yahoo.com or (414)899-2569. My phone is on and with me 24/7. If i do not answer please leave a message.

I am trying to compile a list of people available for honors at funerals. If able email Me or contact me at the meeting.

If a member is in need of a ride to get to our meetings please contact me and I will try to help get you there and home.

Jim Waltich

5. C. The Beatles
4. A. San Antonio
3. A. Canton, OH
2. C. Cooperstown, NY
1. B. New Mexico

Quiz Answers

TAPS

We honor all those who have gone before us to the Arms of the Great Commander of us all.

We honor those who are missing and unaccounted for from all wars and conflicts.

May our fallen comrades rest in peace, and may their families be comforted by our thoughts and prayers.

