
POST TALK

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Who's who--Post, SAL and Auxiliary Leadership.....

American Legion Post 175

POST COMMANDER: LUMPY JOHNSON

1st Vice-Commander: Paul Andercyk*
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3rd Vide Commander: Becky Pulley*
Judge Advocate: Bill Lowery*
Adjutant: Dick Morrissey*
Finance Officer: Vacant
Service Officer: Marc Schlossman
Historian: Leonard "LP"
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Chaplain: Reed Brown
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American Legion Auxiliary

Auxiliary President: Pat Rabeau

1st Vice-President: Barbara Mallonee
2nd Vice-President: Roni Goughenour*
Secretary: Linda DiPaula
Treasurer: Patricia Herder
Chaplain: Betty Gentile
Historian: Eva D'Ambrosio
Sergeant-at-Arms: Debbie Collins
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Executive Committee: Linda Freedenburg
Ann Marie Peterson
Patricia Wachter

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Sons of American Legion

Commander: Don Zimmerman

1st Vice: Brian Hoover
2nd Vice: Curtis Ritz*
Adjutant: Mike Bertoni*
Finance Officer: Dave Dulin
Historian: Dave Peterson
Chaplain: Vacant
Sergeant-at-Arms: Jeremy Baker*

*New to this Office

From your Commander

Comrades, Friends, Associates, and Guests,

Now that the snow has melted, I can see the trash and cigarette butts discarded on our Post lot. I cannot say it clear enough on how much this disgusts me. This is OUR Post let's use the trashcans and ashtrays that are there for that particular reason. If caught you will be suspended for a week. Anyone seeing someone throw trash or a butt please ask them to pick it up and put it in the proper container or report them to an Officer or a Bartender. There is NO reason for this!

I would like to ask for volunteers to join us at the Post for a spring clean up, flag burning, and time capsule opening, on April 17, 2010 from 12-6PM. The rain date will be May 2nd from 1-6PM. We will have burgers, hot dogs, and beer for free as a "Thank You" for helping make our Post looking better! So, come on out and let's have a fun time doing something good for our Post.

**Harrison (Lumpy) Johnson,
Commander**

3rd Vice-Commander

I am certain that we all are happy that winter is behind us and the warmer temperatures are here.

Our Post and Salute the Veterans, Inc. a 501(c)3 Non-Profit that I am President of, will be serving lunches for the Wounded Warrior Project Bike Ride on May 1st. This will be our third year helping this great cause. For those who are not aware of this event it begins at the White House and ends at the Light House in Annapolis. They ride approximately 25 miles a day beginning on Thursday and ending on Saturday. There are various levels of amputees that ride either by foot peddling or hand peddling. Their bikes are designed specifically for their needs. There is even a bike made for two so a blind soldier can participate. It truly is a very inspiring event. Especially for the newly wounded at Walter Reed to help inspire them.

Also, we will be having a "Giving Thanks" barbeque at Ft. Meade on May 8th (rain date May 15th) from 12-4PM along with vintage vehicles on display, and another barbeque at Walter Reed Army Hospital on June 5th from 12:30 to 4:30PM. If anyone wishes to donate a dish of any sort, a door prize item, or volunteer, please contact me at 443-255-6690. We are in need of a couple pick up trucks to take the grill and coolers etc. to Ft. Meade. And if anyone wishes to display their vintage vehicle, please contact me in advance. Thank you.

We have the Officer's nomination board up for anyone wishing to run for a particular office. The elections will be held at our May meeting.

Dan and I will be serving French Dip with aujus sauce, chips, and a pickle for \$6.50 on Friday, April 30th from 6-8 PM. Yummy!

Becky Pulley
3rd Vice Commander

Service Officer

DD-214s are NOW Online!

The National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) has provided the following website for veterans to gain access to their DD-214s online:

<http://vetrecs.archives.gov/> <blockedhttp://vetrecs.archives.gov/>

This may be particularly helpful when a veteran needs a copy of his DD-214 for employment purposes. NPRC is working to make it easier for veterans with computers and Internet access to obtain copies of documents from their military files.

Military veterans and the next of kin of deceased former military members may now use a new online military personnel records system to request documents.

Other individuals with a need for documents must still complete the

Standard Form 180, which can be downloaded from the online web site.

Because the requester will be asked to supply all information essential for NPRC to process the request, delays that normally occur when NPRC

has to ask veterans for additional information will be minimized. The

new web-based application was designed to provide better service on

these requests by eliminating the records centers mailroom and processing time.

Marc Schlossman
Service Officer

News from our Auxiliary *From the President*

Hello everyone and welcome SPRING!!

Thank you to Roni Goughenour and helpers for a great St. Pat's Day Dinner. We served 72 people and all had a good time in the lounge afterward. We had a great raffle thanks to Barbara Smith won by Delores Miskowski, Sue Connor's mom. The 50/50 was won by Dave Dulin. Special thanks to Doris and Frank Heubeck for their donation of "veggies" for the dinner and to Dawn and Rosemary for pies and cakes.

Thanks also to Michele Jordan and helpers for a nice Children's Easter Party and to Ann Marie Peterson for being Miss Easter Bunny. Thanks for all the support for the kid's parties this past year and the raffles created by Barbara Smith.

The attendance at Breakfast has risen somewhat. We've added some new things to the menu such as Sausage Patties and Hash Brown Potatoes. Remember it is a "First Come First Served All You Can Eat Breakfast". When we run out, we're out, so come early and eat hearty for the same low price. **Breakfast dates for the next three months are 4/18, 5/16, and 6/20.**

We still have three Friday dinners to go before the year is over, see Roni's article. May is "Poppy" month and Eva has details in her article. Also, come out and join us at our Flea Market on Saturday, May 15. See Ann Marie's article. On June 6, we will have our Essay Award Winners program. See Celine's article.

Congratulations to Betty Gentile on receiving a Department appointment as District Americanism Chairman..

Our next regular meetings are on Wednesday, April 28, May 26, and June 23 at 7PM. Come out and learn about our unit and post activities first hand. PLEASE NOTE THAT JUNE ELECTIONS AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS WILL BE HELD AT OUR REGULAR MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2010 STARTING AT 7PM..

The June Lottery tickets will be going out mid April. We need your continued support for this Fund Raiser. There were 16 winners in November. The more who participate the more winners there can be. Thank you all for your support.

Please keep our Veterans and Service Men and Women now serving all over the world, in your thoughts and prayers.

Pat Rabeau
President

1st Vice-President

Ladies, we still haven't reached our goal plus of 332 paid members. Your help is needed so please pay your 2010 dues now. Senior dues are \$17.00 and Junior dues are only \$3.00. Don't lose your membership to this great organization. Pay now please.

This year Girls State will be held at Salisbury University the week of June 20-25. Do you know a Junior in High school that would like to attend? The unit pays for the girl to attend. The girl only pays a fee of \$35.00. Please let me know at once.

There will be a Clothing Bazaar on April 3 at Perry Point VA Hospital. If you have any clothing in good condition, please let me know.

We hold bingo on the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00PM for one hour (except July). Would you like to join us? Please call me at 410-757-1540 if you can help. Volunteers are badly needed. Thank you.

Barbara Mallonee
1st Vice-President

2nd Vice President

Thank you to all who were here to support us for Friday dinners through the cold winter months. We hope to see more of you as spring approaches.

Friday, April 23, Rosemary will be making her famous Lasagna. Cost will be the same as last year, \$10.00. Friday, May 28, we will be serving Spaghetti and Meatballs. Cost will be \$6.00. Please remember we only have 1 dinner per month so if you're willing to volunteer just one Friday per year it would be a great help and much appreciated. Even if you "can't" cook and would just be willing to serve or help clean up that is still a big help.

St. Patrick's Dinner was a lot of fun. Thank you to our great kitchen staff, who as usual worked very hard to make it a success. I hope everyone enjoyed! Thank you for your support.

Roni Goughenour
2nd Vice-President

Chaplain's Message

Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "The first wealth is health".

With that in mind, may you all enjoy the riches of good health in this new year.

Best wishes go out to Mike Mallonee who has been ill recently. Hope he is recuperating nicely.

Our thoughts also go out to past Department Commander Gordon Browning, who fell on the ice and is now on the mend.

Please let me know if someone is sick or needs cheering up so I can send them a card.

God Bless You All, God Bless Our Troops and God Bless the U.S.A.

Betty Gentile
Chaplain



SAL NEWS From the Commander

Our YTD membership is 30 renewals short of 4-star status. We are behind last year's pace. We only have April and May left for this year. If you know of any delinquent members, please encourage them to pay.

The SAL thanks Rosemary, Roni, Michele and Becky for their support with the Valentines Dinner. It was a tough event for people to plan for due to the nasty weather. However, thirty people showed up for the dinner. As always, it's a great surf-n-turf dinner which always comes with a new twist.

It's only April, however, we are getting an early start on the Crab Feast this year. The date is currently set for Saturday, October 2nd. We will have another great band again. Mark your calendar !

Note that our SAL meetings are now on the 2nd Monday of each month !

If anyone is interested in renting the 20'x40' tent, please contact Dave Dulin at 410-353-1076.

Don Zimmerman
Commander

Planned POST Activities

Breakfast



Sunday, April 18 and May 16, and June 20, 2010.

Please note our hours are from 8:00 to 10:30AM. Our price is \$6.50. Omelets are \$.50 extra and children seven and under are \$3.00. Call the post for more info. call Pat Rabeau at 410-544-2066

Monday Night is Movie Night

We will pick a newly released movie for show at 8PM. Please come enjoy the movie and popcorn!

Coming events: Saturday Night Fights. Keep your eyes open for upcoming "Fight Nights"

Also we need input from experienced trivia gamers. We wish to start a Trivia Night. Contact Corinne for more information.

Americanism

Each year our American Legion auxiliary sponsors an Americanism Essay contest for students in grades 3-8. the 2009-2010 essay theme was "What Is My Patriotic Role As A US Citizen?" Sixty-five entries were judged and three first, second, and third place winners were selected.

Group I, Grades 3 & 4

1st Place—Lily Fauntleroy from Windsor Farm Elementary School

2nd Place—Brynn Bogarde from Windsor Farm Elementary School

3rd Place—Trevor Dane Marvin from Windsor Farm Elementary School

Group II, Grades 5 & 6

1st Place—Jarrett Heckert from Windsor Farm Elementary School

2nd Place—Abby Plummer from Windsor Farm Elementary School

3rd Place—Julia Droof from Windsor Farm Elementary School

Group III, Grades 7 & 8

1st Place—Shaita'n Johnson from Hazelwood Elementary Middle School

2nd Place—Lyric Mahabir from Hazelwood Elementary Middle School

3rd Place—Tamar Tipton from Hazelwood Elementary Middle School

All the essays were very well written expressing sincere and heartwarming thoughts on the topic.

A program celebrating and honoring the success of our winners will be held in our Post Hall on Sunday, June 6, 2010, at 2PM. Light refreshments will be served. All members of our Post are welcome to attend and show our appreciation for the students outstanding effort in this special writing project.

Celine Wachter
Chairman

Poppies

Starting on May 1 we will be collecting donations in the lounge. In exchange for a donation you will receive a document decorated with poppies. You can write any dedication on the document, and it will be displayed in the lounge during the entire month.

Eva D'Ambrosio
Chairman

Money in our Pockets

Annual Flea Market May 15, 2010

"I see trees of green, red roses too. I see them for me and you", are lyrics from Louie Armstrong's It's a Wonderful World. We are looking forward to our wonderful world without snow, ice, and rain on May 15, 2010. Starting at 7:00 am the auxiliary will be holding our Annual Flea /Market/Yard Sale at the Post. Spaces outside are available for \$10.00 for Members and \$15.00 for nonmembers. (inside \$5.00 extra) One table is included in the space of two parking spaces outside and the width of a table inside. Setup may begin before light outside and at 6:00AM inside. We shut down at 12:30PM so everyone may enjoy the green trees and red roses. So sign up on the bulletin board in the Post or call Ann Marie Peterson 443-570-3123 to reserve the space. Each year we increase in the number of participants and of course lots of advertising brings in the people willing to part with their money. Spread the word and if you have donations please drop them off by the side door under the overhang.



Weddings



Ceremonies



Birthdays



Graduations

Post Hall Rentals

SPREAD THE WORD!!!

Our hall is available for banquets, receptions, parties, community groups, and business affairs for both Legion members and non-members. Conveniently located and offers plenty of free on-site parking.

If you don't have your own caterer, our Auxiliary has a wide array of delicious menu items available for all of your special event needs.

If you know of anyone who is planning a wedding reception, anniversary, retirement, cocktail, holiday parties, baby, or bridal shower, or any type of special occasion...please suggest they contact:

Pat Wachter, Hall Chairman at **443-223-8368**

Please note there are special rates available for smaller affairs held on Sunday. Please check with Pat for a great deal!

Auxiliary Friday Dinners



The auxiliary will be hosting a Friday Night Lasagna dinner on April 23 from 6 to 8PM for \$10.00 and Spaghetti and Meatballs on May 28 for \$6.00. If anyone would like to volunteer to head up or help with any of our fourth Fridays please contact Roni at 410-757-6346.



We Want Your Old Eyeglasses

Chances are that you have at least one pair of old unused eyeglasses on the shelf because you didn't want to just toss them. The **Severn River Lions Club** has an easy solution for you. The club collects old but useable eyeglasses and hearing aids for recycling. Twice each year all the Lions Clubs in the district (Anne Arundel, Howard, Baltimore City and county, and Harford County) sort the glasses that have been collected. At the last sorting Lions boxed nearly 75,000 pairs of used eyeglasses. These are boxed and sent to an eyeglass reclamation facility in Virginia where they are sanitized, graded for prescription, marked and packaged for use in third world countries. The eyeglasses are given to needy vision impaired residents in these countries and help them see and be able to function with better vision. The Lions also collect used hearing aids, which are refurbished and offered to needy people through the Towson University Speech and Hearing Center. The Lions thank you and a recipient somewhere in the world who receives your used eyeglasses to improve sight thank you.

The Car Club

Our monthly meetings are held on the third Friday at 7:30 PM. Our next meeting is on 16 April 2010. For information please call the secretary, Gordon Mallonee at 410-757-1540.



Severn River Lions Fruit Sale Benefit

The Severn River Lions Club again is set to offer select Florida citrus each month from November through March.

The Lions offer premium fruit from H & S Citrus, shipped directly from the orchards to Severna Park. Ruby Red grapefruit is offered every month. In November and December, navel oranges are in season. In January, navel oranges are typically in season. Otherwise, we offer tart, tangy and sweet temple oranges.

Enjoy some Florida sunshine right here in Severna Park this fall and winter while helping our community.

Please call Lion Nancy Burns,
410-647-2756.

Organization Meetings

Executive Board meets last Monday of each month.
[April 26-May 24-June 28]
SAL Unit meets 2nd Monday of each month.
[April 12-May 10-June 14]
General membership meets 2nd Wednesday of each month. [April 14-May 12-June 9]
Auxiliary Unit meets the 4th Wednesday of each month.
[April 28-May 26-June 23]

Internet Access

Post WEB Site is available for your use.
The Webmaster is Gail Helm of our Auxiliary.
The web page may be accessed under
www.legionpost175.org

Please let Gail know through the web page response section (hyperlink at bottom of Web Page) what your thoughts are for articles/access methods/format changes to the web page that you feel you would like to see included.

Use the process below to send E-mail to the addresses listed.

Please remember the Post E-mail is intended for Post business. This includes any correspondence requesting information from the Post or to notify the Post of information.

When sending e-mail to the Post, if you don't know who to send it to use the INFO@LegionPost175.org Address.

Please include: Your first and last name and
Brief description of subject

If you have an e-mail address please let us know what it is. You may submit it via (E-mail, Regular mail, phone, or give it to the bartender)

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Happy Hour Saturdays
4-6PM

WEEKLY SPECIALS!!!! *Live Blue Grass Music every Wednesday 4-6PM*

Happy Hour
Mon-Fri
4-7 PM

SAL Happy
Hour Prices
Mondays
4-Closing

Ladies Night
Happy Hour Prices
Tuesdays
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Legionnaire Happy
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