
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*
2nd Vice-Commander: John Fuller
3rd Vice-Commander: Becky Pulley*
Judge Advocate: Bill Lowery*
Adjutant: Dick Morrissey*
Finance Officer: Vacant
Service Officer: Marc Schlossman
Historian: Leonard "LP"
Baumgardner
Chaplain: Reed Brown
Sergeant-at-Arms: Vacant

* New to this Office

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
Color Bearers: Betty Kline
Phyllis Gordon
Executive Committee: Linda Freedenburg
Ann Marie Peterson
Patricia Wachter

*New to this Office

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, we have done a lot of upgrades and changes to our Post. We have installed a new cash register system, a new air conditioning unit was installed, Post clean up, and a time capsule ceremony. If you haven't visited the Post lately, please come and see how nice it is looking. I would like to thank all who helped make it possible.

If anyone wishes to attend the Maryland Convention in July, please let me know, for some of us will convoy down together. The convention is held in Ocean City the week of July 12th thru Friday, July 16th.

Elections were held at our last General Meeting, I was re-elected for the third year as Commander. I was sworn in the night of elections. The other elected Officers will be sworn in in June. Please take **note of their names and office in the next newsletter.**

**Harrison (Lumpy) Johnson,
Commander**

3rd Vice-Commander

I am still holding my heart after the Wounded Warrior “Soldier Bike Ride” event on May 1st. This is the third year our Post, the Auxiliary, and Salute The Veterans, Inc. has donated monies to help pay for the lunch that we served for some of our finest that day. I hope that next year we can have some members come down to the Mayland Hall of Arts in Annapolis, to wave their flags and cheer the Soldiers on. I tell you...it is a very inspirational event!

I wish to give **BIG THANKS** for those who helped me prepare for the sandwiches. Joann May, Paula Woods, Dan Pulley, Doris Heubeck, Glen and Debbie Martin, Liz Richard, and Linda Freedenburg. Liz and Linda fixed Lil Tavern burgers that morning and came back to help us that afternoon, and Joann and Paula came back Saturday morning to make up 150 sandwiches! I owe a **SPECIAL** thanks to Joann for helping Dan and I taking supplies down and helping us serve that day. **WOW** you all are awesome, and I can’t thank you enough for your help!

We also had a barb-b-que at Ft. Meade on May 8th for the soldiers and their families. Mike Herpel offered his time to help cook for this event. Thanks again Mike! **SALUTE!**

On June 5th, I will be representing our Post and Salute The Veterans, Inc which I am President of during a “Giving Thanks” barb-b-que for the wounded soldiers and their families at Walter Reed. If anyone wishes to attend or donate a salad, dessert, or a door prize, please let me know in advance. We keep running out of foods during these events....these soldiers can eat! We will be having two of these events at Walter Reed the other one will be on August 21st. It is a fun day with foods, music, comedy/magic act, and door prizes. These events enable the soldiers and their families to take their mind off of medical issues, and know that they are appreciated by the community.

Please take into consideration, that Uncle Sam takes care of uniforms, medical, dental, housing, and meals, but once wounded and staying at Walter Reed, when they finally have civilian time they have no civilian

clothes, wallets, purses, winter coats, etc. so anything in nice clean condition that you wish to donate, please let me know for I can transport to them during these events. You can contact me at 443-255-6690. Just know that space in my vehicle will be limited for I have all of the cooking supplies, foods, beverages, etc. Thanks!

Becky Pulley **3rd Vice Commander**

Service Officer

The VA is warning Veterans not to give out credit card numbers, bank routing information or any personal and financial information over the phone to callers claiming to update, confirm, or verify VA-related information. VA simply does not call Veterans and ask them to disclose personal financial information over the phone.

A Veteran targeted by scammers alerted the VA, saying that someone called claiming to be with the VA Pharmacy and asking a lot of questions. The caller ID indicated that the incoming call was from 1-888-555-1234/ There are a number of scams associated with this number, and it’s been reported that the callers will call repeatedly and become aggressive. They will claim to be a VA employee saying your medical card is expired and the Veterans must send a check for a certain dollar amount for a renewal. In other versions, the caller says that your bank account is listed on a public computer in an effort to get it removed, you need to verify your bank information. Be leery of any calls originating from this number.

The VA has not changed its process for dispensing prescriptions of for enrollment. Nor has the VA changed its long-standing commitment to protect personal information of this nation’s Veterans. Veterans with questions about VA services should call 1-877-222-8387, or the nearest VA Medical Center.

Marc Schlossman **Service Officer**

News from our Auxiliary From the President

Congratulations to the new Post and SAL officers for the year 2010-2011!!

PLEASE NOTE THAT ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF AUXILIARY OFFICERS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2010 AT 7PM. All members in good standing, meaning your current dues are paid, are eligible to run for office. A sign up board will be put up near the bulletin board in the lounge. Anyone wishing to run for office must SIGN THEIR OWN NAME on the board. Nominations and write-ins can also be made from the floor at the June meeting. The Secretary, Color Bearers, and Chairmen are appointed by the President.

Attendance at Breakfast has been over 70 for three months straight! Let's keep this going. 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. **Our next breakfast will be June 20, Father's Day. July and August we're off. Breakfast resumes Sunday, September 19, 2010 which starts our 14th season.**

A final report for the June Fund Raiser will be given in the August/Sept Newsletter. We also need more support for it. We have to be able to sell enough tickets to pay all the possible winners and have enough left for expenses and some profit.

Despite the economy, we've had a somewhat productive year and were able to contribute \$2000 to the Post towards the new lounge air conditioner. We also kept up our regular support of our Veterans programs, Children's Parties, and other charitable causes for the community. We have also kept the price of our Friday dinners and monthly breakfasts to a minimum. Thank you all for your support.

We are holding our Essay Awards Ceremony on Sunday, June 6, 2010 at 2PM. You are welcome to attend to hear and meet the children and their parents.

Several of us plan to go to the State Convention in July. Membership for the year 2011 will be presented on the

last day. Please pay your 2011 dues early so we can make a good start for the new administrative year. The more dues paid early, the less we have to remind you later.

We have lost a good friend of the Auxiliary, Mike Mal-lonee, husband of Barbara. He was very helpful to us in many ways but especially in his work as Barbara's "computer assistant" for Membership and our some-times driver to district meetings. We will miss him.

I would like to thank all the Auxiliary officers, chairmen, volunteers, bartenders, post and SAL officers and members who have worked so hard this past year to help us to achieve our goals. Your time and work is much appreciated.

Thanks to so many of the volunteers who worked on making our Post more attractive inside and out with flowers, plants and general clean up. This also includes the ladies who keep the kitchen appliances, cabinets, aprons, and potholders clean and neat. A special "THANK YOU" to Jerry Heath for his help all year.

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

MEMBERSHIP: We now have 288 paid members for 2010. Are you one of the 288 members? It's not too late to pay your dues for this year. Starting in May, I will be collecting the dues for 2011 (\$17.00 for Senior members and \$3.00 for Junior members). 2011 dues will go with me to be turned in at the State Convention in July. So please pay your dues for 2010 or if you already have, pay for 2011.

FUTURE CARE: My thanks to those volunteers who have helped every month at Future Care Bingo. If you would like to

join us, please call Joanne May at 410-544-1257. Bingo is held the 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m., except July. My thanks again to a great group of Volunteers. You are the best.

GIRL STATE: I am very happy to report we are sending one girl to Girl State in June. She is a Jr. at Broadneck High School. Her name is Kathleen Hawkins.

Barbara Mallonee
1st Vice-President

Chaplain's Message

It is with great sadness that I report the passing of one of our long time members, Rose Kelley. A memorial service was held at Barrancos for her on April 28. She will be remembered at the June district service as will Geraldine Clutz.

Our condolences go out to Barbara Mallonee and her family on the loss of her husband Mike. Please keep the Mallonee family in your prayers.

Also say a prayer for Jim Kline as he is going through some rough times.

Another administrative year is about to come to a close. I have enjoyed being your Chaplain and hope to continue in this capacity, if it is your wish.

Please let me know if someone is sick so I can sent them a card. As always, I am only a phone call away.
God Bless You All, God
Bless Our Troops and God
Bless the U.S.A.

Betty Gentile
Chaplain



Time Capsule Ceremony

Saturday, April 17th, was an exciting afternoon at the American Legion Post #175 on Manhattan Beach Road in Severna Park. The day started with members participating in a Post Beautification work party in celebration of Earth Day. Afterwards, Harrison "Lumpy" Johnson, the Commander, members, and guests from the Auxiliary and SAL opened and explored a 30 year old time capsule. Three actively involved Legionnaires from the 1980's were recognized; at that time Adjutant and Past Commander, Leon Borowski, Bob Niederstadt, and Carl "Buddy" George.

Bob Niederstadt was presented with a special appreciation award for his 14 plus years as the Finance Officer for the American Legion. Memories of the encasing of the original capsule was shared as LP Baumgardner chiseled away at the capsule located at the entrance of the Post.

Once opened, various members began to reminisce as they read Legion and Auxiliary documents, examined the various denominations of coin and paper monies. Fond memories and the discussion of preserving the documents were shared as the artifacts were enjoyed by the members.

Ann Marie Peterson
Executive Committee Member



SAL NEWS

From the Commander

I would like to thank those members who got the membership dues in recently. In May we reached our membership goal and obtained 4-star status again.

Our biggest discussion within our SAL meetings recently has been talking about the outdoor pad and the crab feast. The Legion approved the SAL's project to extend the concrete pad on both sides and have a driveway to the storage sheds. Using "crush and run" and utilizing current drainage, we will rid the area of some of the drainage issues we have had in the past. The SAL, along with the Legion, are trying to make the picnic area outside more presentable for the biggest event the Post holds...THE CRAB FEAST! The band this year for the event is Family Tradition, who is one of the Post's favorites. As you all already know, we are experiencing some major issues in the Gulf with the oil issue. We are keeping our fingers crossed for the crab feast. Supply and demand for crabs may cause us problems. Hopefully the price won't drive us to any to any alternate plans. Mark your calendars for October 2nd!

The SAL has two new Officers: Dan Pulley and Bill Hayes. I appreciate them stepping up for positions. They are both a great addition.

The SAL convention in Jun is in Hunt Valley. If anyone has any interest in the meetings or events, don't hesitate to ask.

Don Zimmerman
Commander

Planned POST Activities Breakfast



Sunday, June 20, 2010; January 17, 2010 and No-breakfast in July and August. 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. Any questions call Pat Rabeau at 410-544-2066.



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 Cajun dinner on June 25, 2010. No Auxiliary dinners in July and August. Our next dinner will be September 24, 2010.



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.



Flag Day Ceremony



We will be having a Flag Day Ceremony at 5PM on June 14th at our Post. There will be a meal following for those who attends the Ceremony.

The Car Club

Our monthly meetings are held on the third Friday at 7:30 PM. 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.
[June 28– July No Meeting- August 30]
SAL Unit meets 2nd Monday of each month.
[June 14– July 12- August 9]
General membership meets 2nd Wednesday of each month. [June 9– July No Meeting-August 11]
Auxiliary Unit meets the 4th Wednesday of each month.
[June 23-July No meeting-August 25]

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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General Post E-mail is Info@legionpost175.org

Phone # is in case of questions only. Not required.

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11	12 SAL General Meeting 7:30PM	13	14 No Legionnaire General Meeting	15	16 70s Disco Night Classy Karaoke 8-12	17 Soul Night DJ 9-1AM
18 No Auxiliary Breakfast 4 Corners Jazz Band 3-7PM	19 *MSSA 7:30PM *Fisherman Club	20 Lions Club Meeting 6:30- 9:30PM	21 40 & 8 Club 8PM	22	23 Band TBA 8-12 No Auxiliary Dinner	24
25	26 No Executive Board Committee Mtg	27	28 No Auxiliary Meeting 7PM	29	30 Act II Ben & Connie 730-1130	31

Happy Hour Saturdays
4-6PM

WEEKLY SPECIALS!!!!

Live Blue Grass Music every Wednesday 4-6PM

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