
POST TALK

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AMERICAN LEGION POST #175
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*Who's who—Post, SAL and
Auxiliary Leadership.....*

American Legion Post 175

Post Commander: *Lumpy Johnson*

1st Vice Commander	Bill Lowery*
2nd Vice Commander	John Fuller
3rd Vice Commander	Carl "Buddy" George
Judge Advocate	Jim Manula
Adjutant	Bill Johnson
Finance Officer	Dan Byrd*
Service Officer	Marc Schlossman
Historian	Leonard "LP" Baumgardner
Chaplain	Reed Brown*
Sergeant-at-Arms	Dale McDonald

* New to this office

American Legion Auxiliary

Auxiliary President: *Pat Rabeau*

1 st Vice-President:	Barbara Mallonee
2 nd Vice-President:	Michele Jordan
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



Sons of American Legion

Commander: *Don Zimmerman*

1 st Vice:	Brian Hoover
2 nd Vice:	Sid Reidy
Adjutant:	Rob Weaver
Finance Officer:	Dave Dulin
Historian:	Dave Peterson
Chaplain:	Vacant
Sergeant At Arms:	Vacant

From your Commander

Comrades, Friends, Associates, and Guests,

Over the past couple of months there were several successful events at our Post. The SAL Crab Feast, the Children's Halloween Party, the Post Halloween Party, and the Post Bull and Oyster Roast. All of these events had a great turn out and were enjoyed by all who attended each event. I would like to thank all who helped to make each of these events a success! Don't forget there are a few more events here at our Post before this year is over, so please check out the calendar to find out more information if you wish to attend and help make these events a success too!

I'd like to wish you and yours a warm and healthy winter, and that the upcoming holidays are a cheerful one for you all...HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

*Harrison (Lumpy) Johnson,
Commander*

1st Vice Commander

Just a reminder that membership dues are due. If you haven't paid your dues by January 31, 2009, you will be in arrears. In the last 3 months we have brought in 19 new members or transfers.

We had a very successful Bull & Oyster Roast. Thanks to all the volunteers from the Legion, SAL, and the Auxiliary. We could not have done it without your help! Thanks to all who attended and supported this fine event!

Wishing you and yours the best for the holidays!

Bill Lowery,
1st Vice Commander

Service Officer

In the October/November issue of "The Free State Warrior" there is an article telling of enhanced VA mortgage options that are now available for veterans of potential benefits to those veterans who are in financial distress.

According to the article, veterans with conventional home loans will now have new options for refinancing to a Department of Veterans Affairs guaranteed home loan. While the VA never guaranteed sub prime loans, the new legislation can now help many more veterans who currently have sub prime loans.

For more information or to obtain help from a VA Loan Specialist, call the VA Loan Specialist, call the VA at 1-877-827-3702 or visit www.Homeloans.gov.

Marc Schlossman
Service Officer

3rd Vice Commander

I would like to comment on our most recent ceremony, Veterans Day. After a most rocky start with several people being either sick or otherwise unavailable at the

last moment, we were able to pull together a ceremony that a number of members referred to as the best ceremony the Post has put on in quite a long time.

I would like to comment on how that happened and thank the participants who made that special effort to pay respect to our Veterans and current military members.

At the last moment we called on Past Commanders and a past 1st Vice Commander along with a new member of only 2 months and a very cooperative group of consistent members to fill in the required slots. Many of whom played dual roles in making things go smoothly. They were Past Commanders Ed May and Jim Corkery, past 1st Vice Commander Jim Ford, Chaplain Reed Brown, Auxiliary President Pat Rabeau, and new member Cindy Pruscki. The rest of the members who participated by taking an active part in the ceremony were Betty Kline, Sid Reidy, Rick Digby, Jim Staton, John Senda, Bill Johnson, and Bob Martin.

As usual the people behind the scene doing the job of making sure we were all fed after the ceremony, Liz Richard assisted by Pat Rabeau.

Great big THANKS to all of you.
Also a bucket of kudos for a job well done.

If I have forgotten anyone I sincerely apologize and will rectify that if you let me know I missed you.

Carl George
3rd Vice Commander

News from our Auxiliary

In Memoriam

Regina F. Bachman
10/4/25—11/17/08

Past President Regina (Rene) Bachman passed away quietly in her sleep at home in November after having lived a long (83 years) and well spent life in service to others. She was a member of our unit for 36 continuous

years and held the office of President as well as other offices and chairmanships for most of that time including the office of Chaplain and Field Service Chairman (Bingo). She was the widow of Past Commander Daniel Bachman.

Her later years were spent coping with the gradual onset of Parkinson's disease and Congestive Heart Failure. Despite that hardship she continued to work as Membership Chairman and on the Fundraiser. Rene would call for membership dues and fundraiser tickets in the same phone call. She was adept at both and had fun doing it. Rene loved the membership and the Post in general. She worked diligently for all of us.

A "By the Book" auxiliary member, Rene was faithful in attending monthly unit meetings as well as Southern Maryland District meetings and the Department Convention and Fall Conferences. She was well liked by members of the district and department. Her knowledge of the auxiliary and the history of our post were greatly respected.

Faith, Family, and Friendships were Rene's mainstay. Her joy in living was apparent to anyone who knew her as she had the gift of laughing at herself and having others laugh with her. This was a person who was at peace with herself and accepted others the way they were and made them feel welcome and better about themselves. One didn't leave Rene's house without a bite to eat nor sit at her table or any other table without hearing her say "Grace" before the meal.

Her home was open to family and friends who were in need. She shared her food as well as her financial resources with those less fortunate or who were experiencing a streak of "bad luck". Her way was to slip a few dollars or a check in a birthday or thinking of you card just because "they needed it more than she did". Many pots of soup were made and delivered to those in sorrow or sickness. Her question to people was always, "What can I do for you?" and asked nothing in return but a kind word.

She bore her illnesses with patience even until her final days which were spent in and out of the hospital and or nursing home for treatment, rehab and finally home. Not one to complain, she accepted her circumstances with dignity, grace, and courage. Happy at last, to be home around her loving family, pets, and friends she succumbed peacefully to her Creator.

Rene was a woman with a kind heart, generous nature, intelligent mind, and a backbone of steel. She lived her faith and was everyone's friend especially God's. Thank you, Lord for allowing us to share in her life.

From the President

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE!!!!!!

The Children's Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 14, 2008. See Michele Jordan's article for details and the notice in the Planned Post Activities section.

There were 630 tickets sold for the November Fundraiser. Thank you to all the sellers and buyers. A full report will be made in the next newsletter.

Twenty Auxiliary volunteers helped with the SAL Crab Feast and Post Early Bird Bull & Oyster Roast. Thanks to Michele Jordan's lead along with her helpers in the food planning and preparation for both events.

Our next Friday Dinner will be January 23, 2009, Pork roast and trimmings. There will be no Auxiliary dinner in December due to the holidays.

Please note there will be **NO meeting in DECEMBER** due to the holidays. The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 28, 2009.

Our St. Patrick's Day Dinner / Dance will be held on Friday, March 13, 2009. Dinner will be served from 6 to 8PM. Music will be played from 8:30 to 12:30AM. For those who want dinner only, the price is \$9.00 and can be eaten in the lounge area or for take outs. For those coming to the Dinner / Dance, the price is \$17.00. The ticket prices are for a CASH BAR only. There will be a cut off date for **all** tickets to be announced in the Feb/Mar newsletter.

Please keep our veterans and service men and women now serving all over the world in mind as we celebrate the holidays.

Pat Rabeau
President

2nd Vice President

Chaplain's Message

Everything we have is a blessing from God. He said, "I will send down answers in season; there will be showers of blessings." Ezekiel 34:26

With the holiday season approaching, we need to give thanks for all our blessings; our families, our homes and our friends. Keep in mind all those who are sick and say an extra prayer for them. Don't forget our servicemen and women who are constantly in harm's way. Our special holiday wish for them is for a safe return home.

Condolences are extended to the family of Regina Bachman and Carol Potak who recently passed. Also, to the Kennison, Cocnavitch, and Allenbaugh families on the death of their sister, Monica.

Have a safe and Happy Holiday Season!!!
God Bless You All, God Bless Our Troops and God Bless the U.S.A.

Betty Gentile
Chaplain

1st Vice President

Ladies, we are collecting 2009 dues. We now have 248 paid members. Your help is needed so please pay now. Last year ended with 49 paid junior members. As of today we have 31 paid Juniors. National does not send out reminders for Junior dues so if you have not paid for your Junior member yet please do so now as it is still \$3.00. You can mail them in or drop your dues off at our auxiliary mail box at the Post. To make Goal Plus we need to reach 325. We need 77 members to step up and pay their 2009 dues. Thank You.

We do bingo at Future Care. We start at 7:00 PM and are finished by 8:00 PM. We hold bingo on the third Monday of every month. Can you join us? Your help is needed. Please call me at 410-757-1540 if you can help with this activity.

Barbara Mallonee
1st Vice-President

Our Halloween Party was a success thanks to Barbara and Eric Smith, Liz Richard, Pat Rabeau, Brittany and Courtney Jones, Roni Goughenour, Becky Pulley, Patti Jo Smith, Jim Corkery, Banjo Mayo, Steve and Nikki Pope and the Post for hall set up and break down.

The Children's Christmas Party is Sunday, December 14, 1 to 3PM. We will be having refreshments, gifts for the children and a visit from Santa. We look forward to seeing you there. A sign up sheet will be posted in the lounge. The **cut off date is December 8, 2008**. Please call 410-544-2066 for more info.

Please remember that attendance at Children's Parties is limited to children and grandchildren aged ten and under of Post members only. There is no smoking allowed in the hall at anytime and drinking alcoholic beverages is never permitted at children's parties.

Michele Jordan
2nd Vice-President

SAL NEWS

The SAL would like to thank everyone who attended the crab feast in October. But, most importantly, we offer a special thanks to those who contributed to its success. Also, special thanks go out to those who helped with the tent raising and repair.

Music was provided by Abi Rose ... who were kind enough to play until dark. We had great weather again, which probably helped contribute to our "at-the-gate" ticket sales. Approximately 250 people attended. Those who did not attend missed out on plenty of food, large crabs, great door prizes and plenty of fun.

Our 2009 membership renewal status is only half of what it was this time last year. Please get your dues in ASAP.

We are still in need of help on Friday dinners. We usually have them on the third Friday of each month. By getting several members to volunteer one time a year for this would make our support of the Legion much easier.

A special thanks goes out to volunteers Liz, Sue and John for helping us out in the kitchen Halloween night.

Our tentative date, Feb. 7th, for the Valentine's Dinner & Dance turned out to have a conflict with the band. We will have to check band availability for January and February and hold a Sweetheart Dinner and Dance instead. Our tentative date is Saturday, January 24th.

*Don Zimmerman,
Commander*

Planned POST Activities

Breakfast

Sunday, December 21, 2008, January 18, 2009 and February 15. Please note our new 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.

Post Hall Rentals

Hall Rental is available to both members and non-members. Members receive a discounted price. The fee for Sunday thru Thursday, either day or evening is very negotiable for everyone. All depends on the type of function, time and size of the affair. Our hall is capable of serving all types such as wedding receptions, bridal or baby showers, church/conference meetings and /or seminars, birthday and retirement parties.

Please tell your family, friends and neighbors about our hall rental if they are in need of a place to hold their next event. It will cost you nothing and will help promote the use of our facility.

CALL PAT WACHTER, HALL CHAIRMAN, FOR MORE INFORMATION.....410-647-3756.

Think Post 175 for your next Office Party. Afternoon and evenings are available.

Auxiliary Catering

If you are renting the Post hall for a wedding reception, birthday party, retirement party or any kind of party, please remember the Auxiliary has a great

menu which can be accessed from the auxiliary page on the legion website. <http://legionpost175.org/> or you can call Pat Rabeau at 410-544-4460.

Auxiliary Friday Dinners

There will be NO Auxiliary Dinner in December due to the Christmas Holidays. Our next Friday dinner will be held on January 23, 2009. We will be serving Roast Pork and trimmings. February 27, 2009 will be Stuffed Shells and Sausage; March 27, 2009 will be Lasagna.

ARMY VS NAVY GAME

Show your allegiance...wear blue/gold or black/gold colors. Prize for the oldest Army/Navy game memorabilia! Join the fun on December 6th 12-6PM.

\$5.50 Bucket of Can BEERS

\$5.00 Buffet

50/50



Children's Christmas Party

The Children's Christmas Party will be held Sunday, 1-3pm, December 14, 2008. Please remember that **seating in the hall is limited to 141 people** due to the AACTY Fire Code. We ask that you keep the amount of adults attending the parties to a minimum so that there is enough seating for the children.





THANK YOU

*The Auxiliary wishes to thank
the Post and SAL for donating \$189.00
for 40 large
pumpkins for the Children's
Halloween
Party!!!*

New Year's Eve Celebration

Featuring the "Oracle Band"

When: Wednesday Night December 31, 2008

*Where: American Legion Post 175
Downstairs in our Hall*

Cost \$30 Per Person with a Cash Bar

Time 8:30 PM til 1:30 AM

Doors Open at 7:30 PM

*This price includes a Vegetable/Cheese
Appetizer Tray for each table and Continental
Breakfast. If you wish to bring some of your
favorite foods or snacks, you are welcome to do
so. Ring in the New Year with the American
Legion and the 'Oracle Band'. It will be
a night to remember!*

*Remember the Legion has the cheapest drink
prices in town!*

*Tickets are on sale now so contact the
American Legion at 410-544-2066 to reserve
your seats and/or tables. Seating is limited
and tickets will not be sold at the door.
Remember the Halloween Dance with
'Oracle' was sold out!*

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 thanks you.

The Car Club

Bay Country Region, Vintage Chevrolet Club of America meets at the Post on the third Friday of the month at 7:30PM. Our next meeting at the Post will be

16 January 2009. For more information call 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.

Go Ravens!

Ravens Roost #33, which meets at the Post, invites Post members who are football fans to join the Roost. It is one of 50 Roosts that work together to promote football and local charities in addition to cheering for the Ravens. Roost members have fun watching the games, but we enjoy other activities throughout the year. We hold our annual convention in Ocean City. In February, members participate in a bull roast that is attended by Ravens players. Membership dues are \$15.00 per year plus a \$15.00 Initiation fee. For more information, please call Dave Schultz at 410-757-5505.

Organization Meetings

Executive Board meets last Monday of each month.
[December 29-January 26-February 23]
SAL Unit meets 2nd Tuesday of each month.
[December 9-January 13-February 10]
General membership meets 2nd Wednesday of each month.
(December 10-January 14- February 11)

Auxiliary Unit meets the 4th Wednesday of each month.
[December *No Meeting*-January 28-February 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)

Name: _____

Email: _____

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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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Notice to all members

Please read fully

The legion Dept of MD has entered into a viable contract with a Co-op electricity supplier (Washington Gas Energy Services, Inc.).

Potential to save 49 to 51% on annual electricity bill for the Post.

The Department is currently negotiating with the same supplier to make same savings available to all members whose Post has signed up and then those members who also sign on with them.

Electric Co-op Contract Details

- Eligibility

All 2009 paid up Legion, SAL, Auxiliary and Employees of Post. Safest is submit DD214 to post.

Requirements (As we know today, may be others later)

1. 2009 dues must be paid.
2. Need to have electric billing name to agree with member/employee name.
3. Eligible member will need to sign contract with Coop -- Details to follow As Soon As Available.
4. Time will be of the essence when actions are defined.
5. RFP with Supplier NOW. Expect award by 12/19. Sign-up right after.
6. **BE PREPARED TO ACT QUICKLY. Only a SHORT SIGN UP PERIOD with frozen rates.**