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NEWSLETTER

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Fellow Legionnaires, this will be my last newsletter this go-round. I am stepping down from the Commanders role and passing the sword to Don Williams. He has had many years experience in the job while at New Carlisle Post 286. He and his wife Viola have become a big part of our Post family since they transferred here two years ago. Don has served as my First vice Commander, Buckeye Boys State Chairman and Americanism chairman during his tour. I'm sure you all will give him the support he will need to get the job done.

Our post is facing many difficult challenges ahead. We are spending the money we had saved up while gambling on just keeping the post operating. Without your support I feel the Post may not be around for us to enjoy much longer. The Manager has increased the live entertainment to attract customers, we have many activities each month and our prices for meals and drinks are very competitive. We have had several setbacks after the anti-gambling law was strictly enforced in the late 90's that have impacted our financial position.

This building was in the past an important part of the community. The members contributed significant amounts of money to the Schools, veterans and their families and those folks that just needed our help. We are all facing tough financial times and we understand that, but without support we won't have a meeting place, an entertainment facility, a social room, a kitchen to have all the different cooks we have enjoyed over the years, an honor guard to pay final respects to our veterans, anyone to put up and take down the flags at the cemetery during national holidays, Memorial day and Veterans day ceremonies. Many people don't realize how important the American Legion is to the community until you visit a community that doesn't have one. The Patriotic spirit is diminished noticeably.

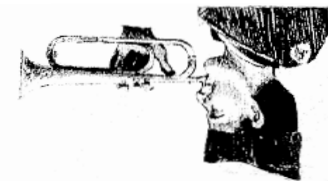
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Good bye,
Commander Jim

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News from the Auxiliary President

Happy Easter and Mother's Day to all! Also Memorial Day is right around the corner, and time to start those family picnics.

Thanks to all for your support of the Friday Night Cooks. Attendance seems to be picking up. Maybe it's the weather? Something must be in the air as we have picked up a few more at our meetings and some new members, too. Did you read your Buckeye Messenger? Our District had a full page of pictures showing Unit 586 participation and others!

Buckeye Girls State

We have completed our interviews and selections of girls to attend Buckeye Girls State at Ashland University. We interviewed 5 girls and although we had only requested 4 applications, we decided they all interviewed so well and seemed so deserving to go that we decided to send all 5. The Past District President's award one Buckeye Girls State application (\$225.) each year and it is rotated by County and by Unit within that County. We were fortunate that it was Miami County's turn to receive the District application and also that our Unit was next in line to receive it. We are sending 2 girls from Tippecanoe (Sierra Faler and Jandi Potts) and 3 from Bethel (Erin Bir, Emily Ellerbrock, and Cassandra Palatas).

Poppy

The Spring Poppy Bazaar is being held March 28th and will probably be over by the time you get this newsletter. Just in case you get it in time, be sure and come out.

Friday Night Cooks

These did resume in January and attendance has been good. Betty always needs volunteers and many, many thanks to those who do.

Family Night (Birthday Party)

The January party was bigger than October. We are hoping to break 100 on April 15th. Mark your

calendar and please attend. Get your taxes done before that day so you can join us. Again, a birthday cake will be provided to celebrate Apr, May and Jun birthdays. Those who don't have a birthday are asked to please join us to help celebrate and bring something to share. Norma Adkins is still the force behind this celebration. The food is delicious and plentiful! See you there!

Euchre

We have been having a great time playing euchre. Usually have 3 - 4 tables. We also play tables with only 3. I think the 3 table is fun. If you like to play euchre come join us on Thursdays in the lounge at 7 p.m. We've had one pizza party with the dimes from euchres and are getting close to having enough for the second one.

Juniors

The Junior girls will be going to Washington DC June 26th to 30th. They have been selected to place a wreath at Arlington National Cemetery at 1:15 PM on June 28th. They are planning on a tour of the White House but are awaiting confirmation. They would like to thank the Legion, the Auxiliary and the Community for all their support.

On May 2nd the Juniors will be cleaning up the yard and planting flowers at the Post. Anyone who would like to help, please join them. They will begin at 10:00 AM, weather permitting.

On May 15th, they will be serving a beef and noodle dinner for \$6.00 a person beginning at 6 PM. The proceeds from this dinner will help purchase uniforms for the juniors.

Please check the calendar in this newsletter for our meetings, dinners and other Post events.

Please come and join us!

For God and Country,
Viola Williams, President

POST NEWS....

1ST VICE

We currently are leveled off at 92% of quota. Again I am begging those of you who have not yet paid your 2009 dues, PLEASE DO SO! Take pride in your Post and help us become a quota Post. If you know of a veteran who is not a member, encourage him or her to join our ranks.

As American Chairman, I am saddened to report that we have only two delegates for Buckeye Boys State this year. We experienced a communication problem with Tippecanoe High School and wound up with one young man, Ryan Lake, practically at the last minute. The other delegate, Aaron Flora, is from Bethel High School.

For God and Country,
Don Williams

2ND VICE

The 62nd Anniversary Dinner will be on April 18th at the Post. If anyone would like to attend, the Post is asking that tickets for each attendee be picked up at the bar. Tickets this year are free and are required to be picked up or reserved. Dinner will be carry-in with hot spiral sliced honey baked ham and dinner rolls being provided. Cocktail hour starts at 5:30. Dinner will begin at 6:30. The reason for the carry in is that in the past this has proven to be a very popular way of dining at the Post and the majority at the planning meeting requested it.

Everyone has their own way to support the Legion a place to meet, socialize, sing Karaoke, throw darts, try your hand at tickets, and support the breakfast and evening cooks. I want to thank all the folks that come in to support our cooks and the volunteers that support the cooking events, arranging for the food, coming in setting up the kitchen, prepare food, serve and clean up after. These things all take time from family and other functions. But it is worth it when you come and support these events. Thank you all again, looking forward to see you soon.

John Vanscoy

OTHER NEWS

NEW MEMBERS

It's always a pleasure to welcome new members to our Post.

Anthony Muniz
Robert Winger
Bradley Staddon
Lee Smith
Rick Wilson

Adam Shea
Don Anderson
Ralph Kleibecker

TAPS

Jim Butler (Jan. 09)

Ray Johnston (Jan. 09)

Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers.

CRUISE IN

Cruise on in to the Post on June 20th from Noon to 5pm. Food and drink will be available for purchase. There will be a possibility of a corvette club participating. This is a fun way to come and support your Post. If you have any questions, talk to Tom Tucker at the Post.

A&A PENSION

The Aid and Attendance (A&A) Special Pension provides benefits for veterans and surviving spouses who require the regular attendance of another person to assist in eating, bathing, dressing and undressing or taking care of the needs of nature. It also includes individuals who are blind or a patient in a nursing home because of mental or physical incapacity. Assisted care in an assisted living facility also qualifies.

The A&A Pension can provide up to \$1,632 per month to a veteran, \$1,055 per month to a surviving spouse, or \$1949 per month to a couple. Eligibility must be proven by filing the proper Veterans Application for Pension or Compensation.

For more general information about the A&A special Pension, please see VetAssist.org to read about Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ).

VOLUNTEERS

You can make a difference at our Post. We have several upcoming events that need volunteers. Events include Friday Night Cooks, the Cruise In, the Poppy Bazaar, Sunday Morning Breakfasts, as well as Officer Positions. Our Post cannot survive if we do not have help. This could require 1-2 hours a month...not much when you think about it. The benefits are plentiful and include laughter, time with old friends, new friends, and a feeling of accomplishment.

DART LEAGUE QUICKIE

We are having a quick 5 week Dart League during the month of April. Sign up will be at the Post or you can just show up on April 1st. No fooling!

June

2009

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
	1	2	3	4 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	5	6
7 Legion Breakfast 9 am-12 Noon	8	9 Legion Executive Meeting	10	11 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	12 Poppa D's 8-?	13 Buckeye Boy's State 13th-21st
14 Post Everlasting 7 PM Flag Disposal 8 PM	15 Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM	16	17	18 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	19	20 Cruise In 12-5 PM
21 Fathers Day Legion Breakfast 9 AM-12 PM	22	23 Legion Meeting 7 pm	24	25 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	26	27 Legion Cook Fish and Wings 6-?
28	29	30				

NEW POST OFFICERS FOR 2008-2009

AUXILIARY

President..... Viola Williams
 1st Vice..... Susan Shivler
 2nd Vice Patti Sprecher
 Secretary Mary Kinnison
 Treasurer Betty R. Kessler
 Chaplain..... Eleanor Warf
 Historian..... Stephanie Kerg
 Sgt at Arms..... Dorothy Overbey
 Exec Bd..... Barbara Kraft
 Exec Bd..... Norma Adkins
 Exec Bd..... Pat Fox

SAL

Commander..... Don Chaney
 1st Vice.....
 2nd Vice..... Charlie Overbey
 Adjutant.....
 Sgt at Arms.....
 Chaplain.....
 Finance..... RJ Steggemann
 Advisor..... Bob Steggemann
 Historian.....

Auxiliary Membership

Thank you to those members who have paid their 2008-2009 dues. Last year, Department set our membership goal for this year at 346 paid members. We now have 333 paid members, so we did not make goal. Maybe next year! Just reminder, if your 2008-2009 dues have not been paid, your name has been removed from all drawings at the Post Home. I wish to thank those members who have paid their dues. Without your support in payment of dues, the Auxiliary would not be able to fulfill its duties to Veterans and children of Veterans.

Dues for 2009-2010 will be due in June of 2009. I will be accepting these dues beginning June 1, 2009. Senior dues are \$20.00 and Junior dues are \$5.00. Also, if you have a name change, address change or change in phone number, please make sure that I have that information so our records are complete. I was unable to reach most of the delinquent members via telephone as they have either moved or changed their telephone numbers and I do not have that information. If you have any questions regarding membership, you can call me at 667-2635 after 7:00 p.m. during the week or any time on the weekend.

Susan Shivler
 First Vice-President (Membership Chairman)

Chaplain's Corner

Happy Spring to you! Yes, spring is here. You can see the flowers starting to bloom, hear the robins singing in the trees, smell the freshly mown grass, and feel the warmth of the sun. Even with the economic crisis the nation is facing, we can still enjoy simple pleasures that God gives us on a daily basis. I think that if we look around, we can find so many things to be thankful for. At church, our pastor urged us to make a mental list of 10 things to be thankful for before getting out of bed. The more this is done, the more you can live with a positive outlook. Ralph Waldo Emerson once wrote, "A man is what he thinks about all day long." So, what are you thinking about? Have you counted your blessings recently? Start by counting to 10 each morning and start your day and your spring with a positive outlook.

SAL NEWS

NEW MEMBERS

Dominic Estep
 Vern Pleiman
 John Berbach
 Peter Berbach

DEATHS

Gary Galagher

April

2009

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

			1 Dart League 7 PM	2 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	3 Auxiliary Dinner 6 PM-till ? Steak Bake	4
5 Boy Scouts Breakfast 9AM-12 Noon	6 Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM Anniversary Mtg. 8 PM	7	8 Dart League 7 PM	9 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	10 SAL Dinner 6 PM-till ? Steak and Shrimp Poppa Ds 8-PM	11
12	13 SAL Meeting 7PM Nominations/ Elections (2009-2010)	14	15 Dart League 7 PM	16 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	17 Auxiliary Dinner 6 PM-till ? Baked Chicken Breast	18 Post Anniversary Dinner-Carry in Cocktails 5:30 Dinner 6:30
19 Legion Breakfast 9AM-12 Noon	20 Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM Nominations of Officers (2009-2010)	21 Family Birthday night 6 PM- till?	22 Dart League 7 PM	23 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	24 Legion Dinner 6 PM-till? Fish and Chicken Wings	25
26	27	28 Legion Regular meeting 7PM Officer Nominations for 2009-2010	29 Dart League 7 PM	30 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM		

May

2009

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

					1	2 Garage Sale 8-4 Jrs. Garden Party 10 AM
3 Boy Scouts Breakfast 9 -12 District Jrs. 2 PM	4 Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM Election of Officers	5	6	7 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	8 Poppa Ds 8-?	9 Private Party
10 Mother's Day	11 SAL Meeting 7 PM	12 Legion Executive Meeting 7 PM	13	14 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	15 Jrs. Cook Beef and Noodles 6-?	16 Private Party
17 Legion Breakfast 9 AM- 12 Noon	18 Auxiliary Meeting 8 PM	19	20	21 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	22	23 Flags up at cemetery 7 AM
24	25 Memorial Day Parade 9:30 AM Soup & Sandwiches Flags down 7 PM	26 Legion Meeting 7 PM Election of Officers	27 Installation of All Officers 7 PM	28 Boy Scout Meeting 7 PM Open Euchre 7 PM	29 Class of '59 Cook Red Devils 6-?	30
31 Legion Breakfast 9 AM- 12 Noon						