



# Bolingbrook Legionnaire

American Legion

Post #1288, Auxilliary Unit #1288

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## MANTENO BINGO

On October 2<sup>nd</sup> Post, and now Auxiliary Unit, 1288 will participate with VFW Post in providing an afternoon of BINGO for the residents of the Illinois State Veterans Home at Manteno, IL

Post 1288 will provide \$100.00 towards the prize money for the residents. Unit 1288 voted to contribute \$50.00. Usually, \$800 - \$900 is given in prize money contributed by participating Legion and VFW Posts and Auxiliary Units.

This is a great way to visit with the residents and show them that people still care about them, so come on out and share you company with our veterans in the home. We will leave from the Levy Center at Noon sharp on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, and return about 4:30 to 5:15.

## GIFTS TO YANKS AND PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Mark your calendars for Nov 4 and 5. Both days are our Gifts to Yanks who Gave drive, and the 5<sup>th</sup> is also Oakview School's annual Veterans Day Recognition Breakfast. The Legion and VFW provide a Color Guard for the opening at 8:00 a.m. (meet at 7:30 a.m.) Then we get a free breakfast and a chance to talk with the children. The school goes all out and has each class make posters that are hung on the gym walls. They also put on a patriotic program at 9:00 a.m. We get to put out a jar for Gifts to Yanks, and everybody has a great time. Gifts to Yanks start hours are 6:30, 8:30, 1:00, 3:00 and 6:30 on Friday and 10:00, 1:00, 3:00 and 6:30 Saturday. We start from Dunkin' Donuts on Rt. 53 at Beaconridge. Please help as much as you can, and let's stay in the Top 10 in the state.

### NOTICE

If you received a Legion mailing stating that Post 1288's dues for 2006 are \$25.00, that is in error. The Post voted to raise the 2006 dues to \$30.00. Please submit this amount.



**Always Remembered**

**Never Forgotten**



## VETERANS HONOR GUARD TAKES A FIRST PLACE IN PATHWAYS PARADE

Joe Rojek holds the trophy awarded to the Legion/VFW Honor Guard for First Place in the Adult Marching division. Second and Third Place went to the Police Honor Guard and the Night of Columbus.

We really looked sharp. The two commander positions were in front. At the point of a three rank wedge was the guarded American Flag, followed by the two organization flags, followed by the State, POW/MIA, 9/11 and Bolingbrook flags. Marching members preceded two vans with banners and logos, which was followed by the Legion Auxiliary pickup with most of the auxiliary members with their blue Auxiliary "Aussi" hats riding in the back.

Those participating were: Angelo Pellitieri. Carolyn Hansen, Dan Armstrong, Dennis Eis, Elden Laffoon Sr., Frank Newman, Garnett Shaver, Greg Palmer, Irene Wojtal, Joe Rojek, John Iovito, Ken Jagodzinski, Larry Shaver, Leroy Greiman, Mel Hansen, Nicole Armstrong, Peggy Barrera, Phil Carpenter, Sandra Armstrong, and Tom Ruth.

Meeting in the Levy Senior Center, 251 Canterbury Lane, at 7:30 p.m.  
Post #1288 - 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the Month • Auxiliary Unit #1288 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month  
American Legion Motto: *Get Involved*

**Primary Post Officers**

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**Primary Unit Officers**

President	Nicky Armstrong	630.378.9241
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**COMING EVENTS****Sunday, Oct 2: BINGO at Manteno. Post/Aux.**

/VFW: 12:00: Departure from Levy Center. 1:00: Escort residents to Veterans Hall, 2:00: Bingo, 3:00: Refreshments and return residents to rooms. Returning to Levy Center 4:30 – 5:15.

Monday, Oct 3, 7:30 p.m.: Post Meeting, Levy Sr. Center, 251 Canterbury Lane.

Monday, Oct 10, 7:30 p.m.: VAC Executive Committee Meeting, 128 N. Scott St., Joliet.

Saturday, Oct 15, 6:00 p.m.: County Past Commanders Dinner, Peotone Post 392, 109 W. North Street.

Monday, Oct 17, 7:30 p.m.: Auxiliary Unit Meeting, Levy Sr. Center,

Tuesday, Oct 25, 8:00 p.m.: Village Gifts to Yanks Proclamation, Village Board Meeting, Village Hall

**Friday and Saturday, Nov 4 and 5: Gifts to Yanks Who Gave tag days. See article for times.**

Saturday, Nov 5, 7:30 a.m.: Honor Guard for Oakview School Veterans Recognition Pancake Breakfast.

Saturday, Nov 5, 8:00 – 9:00 a.m.: Free breakfast for Veterans, Oakview School. 150 N. Schmidt.

Monday, Nov 7, 7:30 p.m.: Post Meeting, Levy Sr. Center, 251 Canterbury Lane.

Monday, Nov 14, 8:00 p.m.: VAC Executive Committee Meeting, 128 N. Scott St., Joliet.

Friday, Nov 18, 8:00 p.m.: County Meeting, Manhattan Post #935, Village Hall, IL Rt 52.

Monday, Nov. 21, 7:30 p.m.: Auxiliary Meeting, Levy Sr. Center, 251 Canterbury Lane.

**POW/MIA REMEMBRANCE DAY  
SEPTEMBER 16**

Thanks to Joe Rojek for representing the Post and Garnet Shaver for representing the Auxiliary at the POW/MIA Remembrance Day Observance sponsored by the VFW post on September 16. This observance does not draw a crowd, but even if only those who are doing the observance are there, it will continue to be done, because it is important and fitting that it is done.

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS  
FOR 2006**

Legion National Headquarters has still not sent out corrected dues notices for 2006. Legion dues are now \$30.00 per year, and should be reflected as such in the next dues notice mailing. If you have already sent in a check for \$25.00 for 2006 dues, please remit and additional \$5.00. Hopefully, the October dues notice will have the correction



Yes, I will help Post/Aux. Unit 1288 with Gifts to Yanks Who Gave for 2005! I can help with the following shifts:

**Friday, November 4 – meet at Dunkin' Donuts – IL 53 & Beaconridge**

- 6:00 a.m. for 6:30 – 8:15 rush hour collections (I-55 & Weber, I-55 and IL. 53, etc.)

**Fri. – Sat. November 4 and 5 meet at Dunkin' Donuts – IL 53 & Beaconridge**

- 8: 30 a.m. for 9:00 – Noon streets and stores collections.
- 10:00 a.m. for 10:00 – Noon streets and stores collections.
- 12:30 p.m. for 1:00 – 4:00 streets and stores collections.
- 6: 30 p.m. for 7:00 – 9:00 night stores collections
- I cannot make it out to help, but here is a contribution to help the Post's program.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please bring to next Meeting or Mail to Post/Unit).