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BOLINGBROOK LEGIONNAIRE AVAILABLE ON INTERNET

All of the issues of the *Bolingbrook Legionnaire* since July of 2001 have been and are available on the post internet website: (<http://members.aol.com/ilam1288>)

We have encouraged those of you who have internet access to obtain your newsletter from the site. A fair number of you have done so and we appreciate the savings it affords the post. Due to the postage costs, we will now stop sending paper copies to those of you with e-mail addresses, unless you have specifically requested a paper copy. Members will be informed of newsletter availability for reading and printing by e-mail.

If you have internet access and are receiving this as a paper copy please send us your e-mail address to help keep the postage cost down (ilam1288@aol.com).

We must keep costs down. Here is the reason: Of the \$30.00 you send in for dues, \$23.25 is forwarded to Department and National. We only keep \$6.75. Newsletter postage alone is \$4.93. For the last 6 months, Jack Champine, owner of QuickPrint of Bolingbrook, has been donating our printing needs for the newsletter, so that cost has disappeared (**THANKS JACK**), but there is still the cost of envelopes. Other fixed costs include the assessment we pay to the County for County and District needs.

When all is said and done, dues provide less than \$1.50 per member for any other kind of activity or Post need. At the moment, we are carrying 117 members on our books (and that is fairly typical, + or - about 10). That totals to \$175, not even enough to pay the cost of liability insurance for the post (about 250 - 300).

Poppy Day money is reserved for veteran rehabilitation and assistance. All "Gifts to the Yanks Who Gave" funds are passed to the Department. The "Pot of Gold" drawing goes to the lucky member who is present when his/her name is drawn. Our 50/50 drawing yields \$10.00 - \$20.00 a month, which helps a bit. Anything else is up to fundraisers.

So *PLEASE*, if you have an e-mail address we don't know about, send it to us at ilam1288@aol.com. We can keep it confidential if you wish.

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



Always Remembered
Never Forgotten

DUES RENEWALS WAY BEHIND SCHEDULE

According to the Department report for January 25, 2008, we are only at 90 of 117 or 78.26% of last year's membership. Dues were due by the 31st of December 2007 for 2008, and persons not renewed by the 1st of the year are actually "delinquent." Beginning February 1, "delinquent" members are technically not eligible to participate in post activities, vote, or run for office. However, Department does give us until the middle of June to bring in the remainder before "closing the books" for the final membership count for the year.

If you have not renewed, and have any interest in doing so, please send in your \$30.00 check to the Post at P.O. Box 1133 (60440-1133), or call one of the Post officers and we will come and pick it up and deliver your membership card for 2008.

COMING EVENTS

Monday, **Feb 4**, 7:30 p.m.: Post Meeting, Levy Sr. Center, 251 S. Canterbury Ln.

Tuesday, Feb 5, 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.: Primary Election Day in Illinois. DON'T FORGET TO VOTE.

Monday, **Feb 11**, 7:30 p.m.: Will County VAC Exec. Committee Meeting, 128 N. Scott St., Joliet.

Friday, **Feb 15**, 8:00 p.m.: Legion County Meeting: New Lenox Post #1977, 14414 Ford Dr.

Sunday, **Feb 17**, 1:00 p.m.: District 11 Meeting, Marango Post #192, 315 Park Dr. (1/2 mi W. of Rt. 23 on Rt. 20)

Monday, **Feb 18**, 7:30 p.m.: Auxiliary Meeting, Levy Sr. Center. 251 S. Canterbury Ln.

Sunday, **Mar 2**, 2nd Division Meeting, Rock Falls, 712 4th Ave, 10:00 a.m.: Poppy and Service Officer Mtng., 1:00 p.m.: Business Meeting.

Monday, **Mar 3**, 7:30 p.m.: Post Meeting, Levy Sr. Center, 251 S. Canterbury Ln.

Monday, **Mar 10**, 7:30 p.m.: Will County VAC Meeting, 128 N. Scott St., Joliet.

Monday, **Mar 17**, 7:30 p.m.: Auxiliary Meeting, Levy Sr. Center. 251 S. Canterbury Ln.

Sunday, **Mar 21**: Legion County Meeting: Franfort-Mokena Post #2000.

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