



Bolingbrook Legionnaire

American Legion
Post #1288, Auxiliary Unit #1288

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JRROTC MEET APRIL 5

Bolingbrook's Air Force Jr. ROTC will again host a Drill Meet, this year on April 5th. The Post voted to help with the cost of the plaques, and encourage members to support the effort with their presence. If you would like to participate by helping with any of the concessions or as a judge, be at BHS by 8:00 a.m.

BINGO AT MANTENO A SUCCESS

At the March 9 Bingo at Manteno sixty-four residents played bingo winning \$823 dollars. 27 dollars was donated to the Canteen, for a total of \$850 for the day. Listed are the organizations that participated and their donation.

- \$100 - American Legion Post 1288: Mel Hansen
- \$50 - American Legion Ladies Auxiliary: Garnett Shaver.
- \$200 - VFW Post 5917: Larry Shaver*, John Davin*, Jack Flanagan, Frank Cale, Leroy Greiman*, Dennis Eis* [* Also 1288 members]

Post 1288 also supplied the Home with 90 packages of Pepperidge Farm whole grain hamburger buns thanks to a generous contribution by the Downers Grove Pepperidge Farm outlet store.

NATIONAL COMMANDER ON LEGION RULES ABOUT POLITICS

In the March 14 edition of the Legion Dispatch www.legion.org/whatsnew/legiondispatch National Commander Marty Conatser reminded legionnaires that the Legion is an issues driven organization, and does not endorse candidates for political office. In this Presidential Election year, Marty reminded us of two simple rules for when we are functioning as Legionnaires:

1. Don't wear your Legion cap to election rallies or functions supporting one candidate over another. A legion cap could easily be viewed as an endorsement.
2. For Posts, if we have candidates for speakers, we should have the same offer for all opposing parties.

ARTHUR TAYLOR CERTIFIED

Arthur Taylor just completed the certification requirements for Post Service Officer in Washington D.C. Congratulations, Art.

POT OF GOLD

Nick Tarnowski would have won the Pot of Gold if he had been at the last meeting. Value: \$10.50

HINES BINGO APRIL 17

One of the items for the April meeting will be to consider conducting a BINGO for the Hines Center of the Blind on Thursday, April 17. These events have been well received in the past. If approved, we would be leaving the Levy Center about 5:30 for BINGO from 6:30 to about 8:00. Since we often assist the Center guests with their cards we will need at least 6 people to be successful, with more appreciated.

POPPY DAYS, 2008

This year's Poppy Days in Bolingbrook are set for May 16, 17 and 18. Please mark these dates on your calendar and save at least an hour to two to help the Post and Auxiliary Unit. This is the major fund raiser that provides funds the Post/Unit can use for veteran rehab/ assistance/programs. A sign up sheet will be in the next newsletter.

COMING EVENTS

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

Monday, **Apr 14**, 7:30 p.m.: VAC Meeting, 128 N. Scott Street, Joliet.

Thursday, **Apr 17**, 5:30: Possible BINGO at Hines, leave from Levy Center.

Monday, **Apr 21**, 7:30 p.m.: Auxiliary Meeting, Levy Sr. Center, 251 S. Canterbury Ln.

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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