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POST MEMBERSHIP FOR 2009 TOPS 100%

As of April 11, we are at 121 of the needed 116 for 100% of last year's membership number. and several renewals several renewals, a new member and a transfer from the State post helped us achieve this. There are still a number who have not renewed. If your Legion membership card does not read "2009," please remit the dues (\$30.00) to the Post's post office box as soon as possible if you want to keep your string of years of continuous membership going.

AUXILIARY'S MEADOWBROOK BINGO & ICE CREAM SOCIAL A SUCCESS

The Auxiliary March 28 BINGO and ice cream social at Meadowbrook Manor for veterans and family members was well attended. Approximately forty residents participated in the BINGO and enjoyed ice cream, apple pie and fellowship. Auxiliary members attending were Carolyn Hansen, Esther Laffoon, Kay Pasternik, Garnett Shaver, Peggy Taylor and Katrina Whitaker. Post members helping were Leroy Greiman, Mel Hansen and Elden Laffoon. Bill Spalding from the newly forming SAL Squadron also helped out.

AUXILIARY CANDLELIGHT BOWL

The Auxiliary fund raiser candle light bowling on May 2 at the local bowling lanes on Boughton will be held at 1:00 p.m. The cost will be \$20.00 per person and will include 3 games of scotch doubles and shoe rental and a variety of food items. There will also be door prizes and a 50/50 drawing. Proceeds will go to the Auxiliary Unit. Please come out to the lanes and help make this a successful event.

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome to Mike Redman, Army, Vietnam era as a new member. Mike gave us our 100% as the 116th 2009 member. Transferring in from the State post is John J. O'Connor, Navy, Vietnam era. Welcome to Post 1288.

POT OF GOLD

If Joseph Quintana had been at our March Post meeting he would have won the *Pot of Gold* worth \$50.25. Each month, members who are present put a quarter into the Pot of Gold. At the end of the meeting a drawing is held amongst all the post's members whose dues are current. If your name is drawn and you are present and your dues are current, you win the Pot of Gold.

SIGN UP FOR POPPY DAYS

Because Poppy Days (May 15, 16, 17) will occur before our May meeting (May 18), we are attaching the Sign-Up sheets to this April newsletter so that you can have an opportunity to let the Post/Unit/Squadron know of your participation at the upcoming meeting (April 20). If you do not want to spend a stamp to return the slip, e-mail the hours you will be available to ilam1288@aol.com for the Post or pegsmr2@sbcglobal.net for the Auxiliary Unit. To call in your availability, call Mel Hansen 630.739.4439.

This is a most important event for us, as it provides discretionary funds to assist veterans in need of rehabilitation or assistance with local support. Any time you can help will be appreciated, from one hour to a day or more.

As in prior years, we share the streets and stores with VFW Post 5917, which is the primary sponsor for the streets effort.

Mayor Claar will again issue a Poppy Day Proclamation. It will be during the May 12 Village Board meeting at 8:00 p.m. It would be good for a large contingent of Legion and VFW members to be there to support the proclamations. We suspect that Mayor Claar will again allow us to do a collection during the meeting.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, **Apr 17**, 8:00 p.m.: County Meeting, Monee Post 1200, Bryan's Place, Governors Highway.

Monday, **Apr 20**, 7:30 p.m.: Post/Auxiliary meeting, Levy Sr. Center. 251 Canterbury Lane.

Thursday, Apr 23, POSTPONED Bingo at Hines Blind Center.

Saturday, **May 2**: 1:00 p.m. Auxiliary Candlelight Bowl, AMF Bowling Lanes, 401 W. Boughton Rd.

Friday – Sunday, **May 15 – 17: POPPY DAYS**

Monday, **May 18**, Post/Auxiliary Meeting, Levy Center, 251 Canterbury Lane.

POST MINUTES

Whether or not we should send out the Post minutes will be discussed at Monday's meeting. If you would like to receive a copy, e-mail MelHansen@aol.com by the 20th.



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