



# Bolingbrook Legionnaire

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## POST MEMBERSHIP FOR 2010 OFF TO A GREAT START

As of July 14, 25 of our members have submitted their renewal dues. We also have 12 Paid Up For Life members and 2 new applications on hand to submit. That brings us to 39 paid for 2010, 32% of our 2009 total, just 14 days into the collection period. What a great start. Thank You, Early Birds! If those who usually wait until the start of the new calendar year to submit would be so kind as to do it now, we could get to 100% by Veterans Day and earn \$100 from Department as well as a streamer for our flag.

With that many dues coming in, please be patient. Your card will go out soon.

## POST RE-INSTALLS CURRENT OFFICERS (MOSTLY)

The Post held its installation at the June meeting. The installation team included Virgil Banker, Chartering Commander for Post 1288 and Past 11<sup>th</sup> District Commander as Installing Officer; Tony Sallese, Chairman of the Will County Veterans Assistance Commission as Sgt.-at-Arms and Mel Hansen, Past Will County Council Commander as Chaplain. Officers present for the ceremony were:

Commander & Service Officer: Arthur Taylor  
Adjutant & Chaplain: Mel Hansen  
Finance Officer: Wayne Macejak  
Sergeant at Arms: Leroy Rheubottom  
Judge Advocate: Eric Palmer

Those to be installed later include the following:

Sr. Vice: Joe Rojek  
Jr. Vice: Bettye Carter  
Historian: Bettye Carter

Offices became effective with the close of the gavel of the Department Convention July 11.

## COMING EVENTS

- Saturday, Jul 18, 5:30 p.m.: Will Co. Council Installation, Silver Cross Hospital
- Monday, Jul 20, 7:30 p.m.: 251 Canterbury Lane, Open to All Veterans Info Meeting with State Rep McAsey. No Post/Auxiliary Meeting
- Monday, Aug 10, 7:30 p.m.: Will Co. VAC Executive Committee Meeting, 120 N. Scott, Joliet
- Monday, Aug 17, 7:30 p.m.: Post/Auxiliary Meeting, 251 Canterbury Lane

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## JULY POST/UNIT MEETING TIME GIVEN TO HOSTING A VETERANS FORUM

Bolingbrook American Legion Post 1288 will host a Veterans Advisory Meeting with state Rep. Emily McAsey at 7:30 p.m. July 20 at the Joseph and Sarah Levy Senior Citizens Center, 241 Canterbury Lane, Bolingbrook. Representative McAsey will discuss important state legislative issues regarding veterans and their families.

Accredited American Legion service officers will be in attendance to answer questions concerning issues with the Department of Veterans Affairs.

All veterans are welcome to attend.

## PEGGY TAYLOR ELECTED WILL COUNTY AUXILIARY VICE-PRESIDENT

Peggy Taylor will be installed as the Vice President for the Will County Auxiliary. This will mark the second time that a member of our young Auxiliary Unit will hold a County level Office. Grace Macejak previously served as the Chaplain.

## AUXILIARY INSTALLS OFFICERS AT JUNE MEETING

The Auxiliary also held their election and installation during the June meeting. Their Installing Team included Nancy York, 11<sup>th</sup> District President as Installing Officer, Rosemary Mulligan, 1st Vice-President - 2<sup>nd</sup> Division, and Marykay Allan, County Chaplain and Plainfield Unit President as Installing Chaplain

Those installed were:

President: Herstine Crenshaw  
Vice President: Peggy Taylor  
Secretary: Nancy Ebbers  
Treasurer: Carolyn Hansen  
Chaplain: Kathryn Pasternik  
Sergeant at Arms: Garnett Shaver  
Historian: Irene Wojtal

## AUXILIARY UNIT AWARDED PLAQUE

Unit 1288 was recognized at their Department Convention for having the highest percentage of membership increase. The unit went from 16 paid members to close out the year with 27 paid, a 169% attainment. Congratulations ladies.



**Always Remembered**

**Never Forgotten**