

Post Notes

January, 2015



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Commander's Corner



Due to the holidays approaching and a busy schedule for all, this will be a short newsletter this month.

I hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving and I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

We have had a bad month for sickness and injuries in our Legion Family. Ron Walsvick, Ray Popp, Mike Valdovinos, Dale Everett and Karl Schuetz are all having issues. If you know any of these members, please call them and wish them a speedy recovery. We also had a member, Donald Quant, pass away. Don was a 35 year member here and our sympathies go out to his family.

Again, Happy Holidays!
Until next month,
Commander Mike

From the Chaplain



It is now almost Christmas and I hope all of you are well and ready to enjoy the holiday. I hope that all of you are getting together with your family and friends. It's time to remember old friends and neighbors you have

spent the last year with.

As the old year comes to an end, let us ponder what it held for us. Let us be thankful for the rich experience it gave us – for every sympathetic smile, for every tear, for moments which brought laughter's melody, for nature's loveliness and for friendships' beauty. Let us also ask forgiveness for thoughts and deeds unwise. As we stand on the threshold of a new year, let us be thankful for the opportunity to stand and peer intently, eagerly, beyond the door to so many challenges that lie ahead. May we have the courage, truth and faith to meet them without flinching and thought of one's self.

Happy New Year!
Chaplain Chuck

Who Let The Dogs Out!



Currently 80% of Post 534 members have paid their 2015 membership dues. For those who have not paid, a member of our Membership Committee will contact you regarding nonpayment of 2015 dues (\$30) after January 1, 2015.

Please send 2015

membership dues payment to:

American Legion Post 534
Edwards-Foye
P.O. BOX 196
McFarland, WI 53558-0196

Credit card payments can be made on line:

www.legion.org

Click on Members

Click on Renew Membership

Have your American Legion identification number and credit card information ready.

If you have any questions regarding membership payments, please contact me at your convenience at (608) 838-3551 or email:

robertodonnell@charter.net.

Bob O'Donnell

Membership Chair

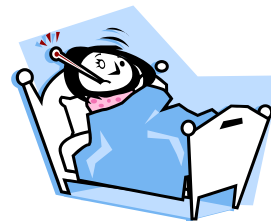
Auxiliary News



Thanks to all who attended our 1st Legion Family Christmas party. Hope every one had fun. Please leave a note in my mail box at the Legion if you would like to see the committee do something different for the 2015 Legion Family Christmas party or if you

really enjoyed this year's party. Thanks and Happy
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New Year!
Auxiliary President
Polly Stout



Sick Call – Prayer List

Gary Salverson, Frank Hlavac, John Guler, Jim Leyda, Lorraine Jackson (mother of Sue Wipperfurth), Marilyn Paulus (mother of Carol Welch), Dennis Dancker, Roger Segebrecht, Dale Everett, Ray VanKyllen and Phyllis Rodefild (sister of Polly Stout), Sue Hargraves, Karl Schuetz, Ray Popp, Mike Valdovinos and Ron Walsvick

Please notify the following Legion members for sympathy or get well cards:

Legion Chaplain – Chuck Wedekind (838-7452)

Auxiliary Chaplain – Kathy Koenig (514-9400)

Sunshine Person – Jodie Armstrong (838-3745)

S.A.L. Chaplain – Sonny Stout (838-9420)

S.A.L. Corner



Hello SAL Members,

The Holidays are upon us and I'd like to wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Our membership is moving in the right direction. We have about twelve members left to pay their dues

which will put us at the 100% mark. Those unpaid members have been sent letters, so if you have someone in your family that you know is not paid, please inform them to take care of it
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At our last meeting, we voted to donate some of our profits from the Swiss steak dinner to four organizations. Twelve members were present for that vote, and I greatly appreciate it. Thanks guys!

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the families of Ray Popp, Ron Walsvick and Mike Valdovinos.

The Legion Family Christmas party was December 20. I'm sure everybody had a great time!

Happy New Year everyone!

SAL Commander, Don (Hook) Egner

**Official 2015
Flag-Flying Days**

January 1.....New Year's Day
January 18.....Martin Luther King Day
February 12.....Lincoln's Birthday
February 16.....Washington's Birthday
May 8.....VE Day
May 10.....Mother's Day
May 16.....Armed Forces Day
May 25.....Memorial Day
June 14.....Flag Day
June 21.....Father's Day
July 4.....Independence Day
September 2.....VJ Day
September 7.....Labor Day
September 11.....Patriot Day
October 12.....Columbus Day
November 3.....Election Day
November 11.....Veteran's Day
November 26.....Thanksgiving Day
December 7.....Pearl Harbor Day
December 25.....Christmas Day

Editor's Note: Please have your February newsletter articles to me by Wednesday, January 21. Thanks, Sharon Scallon, editor

A New Years Prayer

As we begin a new year, we ask, O Lord, that you bless this great nation we all call home. Give us each the tools to choose right over wrong and love over hate.

Bless each and every one of our troops and hold them in the palm of your hand until they can all return home to their families.

Give our leaders the strength to guide our country forward so that we can remain the symbol of peace and freedom.

*Although there are some who would remove You from everything public, we know that only through Your blessings and strength, will we remain one nation under God, with liberty and justice for all.
Amen*

Happy New Year!





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JANUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 Legion Mtg 7 pm	3 Dane Co Oratorical 1 pm
4	5 Hope Rd & Que Club 7 pm	6 Auxiliary Mtg 7 pm	7 S.A.L. Mtg 6:30 pm	8	9	10 Rental
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Soup, Sandwich & Bingo 12 noon	19	20	21 Exec Bd Mtg 7 pm Newsletter Articles Due	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Hope Rd & Que Club 7 pm	3 Auxiliary Mtg 7 pm	4 S.A.L. Mtg 6:30 pm	5	6 Legion Mtg 7 pm	7
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22 Auxiliary Breakfast (tentative)	23	24	25	26	27	28