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Commander's Corner



I have a hard time believing it is that time of year again so soon. Oh well, we have to live with what we get.

I want to thank everyone for their help for fall cleanup on October 11th. We had 14 people here and they did a great job. It's nice

to have that many people and we accomplished almost everything we set out to do.

Don't forget November 11 is Veterans Day and the flags go up at 0600 and come down at 1600. I hope we get a few more people to help than we had on July 4. The Boy Scouts will be here to fold after they come down. Also, the Auxiliary will be having their breakfast on November 9. Veterans get to eat free by showing a membership card, Military ID or DD214.

Please remember Thanksgiving Day from 1100 to 1300 for your turkey dinner. The dinner is free but we do accept donations. Karen and I are looking forward to another busy year (22nd year). We want to thank the Legion for letting us use the hall, AMTELCO, Cress Funeral Service and many others for their generous donations. We will need about 9 turkeys yet. If you would like to donate one, please

call the post (838-3249) and have someone check the list as it fills up quick. Because of limited freezer space, we cannot take any until after November 9.

> Happy Thanksgiving, Commander Mike

From the Chaplain



During the next month, we will be celebrating Veterans Day. Our post will be honoring those that have given their time and, in some cases, their lives for us.

O God, bless and protect

our nation. Be merciful to our honored dead, the memory of whose valor, courage and heroism inspires us to noble action and to eternal vigilance in the preservation of our priceless liberty and our inalienable rights to enduring happiness. Guide and direct our minds to a thorough understanding of our duties to You, to our country and to one another. Awaken in our hearts the desire and the will to accomplish the ideals for which this nation exists so that out of our determination and endeavor there may emerge a better world – a world founded upon faith and understanding, a world dedicated to preserving the individual rights and dignity of man, a world of

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tolerance and justice, a world intent on loving and serving You, our Lord and Master. Amen Until next month, God bless. Chaplain Chuck

Membership News 2015



Thank you to all Post 534 members who have promptly paid your 2015 dues! To date. approximately 73% of our membership has responded to our request for prompt dues payment. To the 27% who have not yet paid for 2015, please seize the opportunity provided to you by the

American Legion HQ and respond to their second notice for payment of dues. Let's pay up so when Commander Mike Larson attends the Department's Mid-Winter Conference in January, he can report 100% of our members have paid 2015 dues. If you have any questions regarding dues and membership, please contact me at (608) 838-3551 (H) or email robertodonnel@charter.net.

For all you **Snowbirds**: make sure we have your temporary address changes so we can send the monthly newsletters to you. Also note, we cannot do address changes for your American Legion Magazine issues.

During the approaching holiday season, please take a moment and give thanks for our courageous military personnel and health care workers confronting dangerous situations around the world. Also pray that they accomplish their mission and return safely to their families.

> Bob O'Donnell Membership Chair

Editor's Note: Please have your December newsletter articles to me by Wednesday, November 19. Also, Snowbirds, please let the Post know when you are leaving.

Thanks, Sharon Scallon, editor

Auxiliary News



Thanks to everyone that helped clean Post 534. The Auxiliary will be serving breakfast Sunday, November 9th. In honor of all veterans who served for our country and freedom your breakfast will be free with proper ID such as

legion membership card, DD214 or Dog tags.

We will be putting names on the Giving tree with people from the Food pantry soon. If you can see in your heart to take a name so someone can have better Christmas, please do.

Happy Thanksgiving Take Care and God Bless **Auxiliary President** Polly Stout

Ladies Auxiliary Breakfast 2014 Burma Rd, McFarland

Sunday, November 9th 8:00am - 12 Noon Bacon, Sausages, Scrambled eggs, French toast, Sausage Gravy with Biscuits, Juice, Coffee and Milk \$8.00 - Age 9 and up, \$3.00 ages 3 thru 8 Under 3 FREE

All veteran's eat free with proper ID

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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 VanKylen and Phyllis Rodefeld (sister of Polly Stout)

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

A Big Thank You from Commander Mike and Post 534 to the following for Fall Clean up:

Harnie

Mike S.

Steve and Shawn Connie and Mary Ann

Lynn

Coach

Ron H.

Russ J.

Larry M.

J.C.

Jim W.

Mark H.

S.A.L. Corner



Hello SAL Members.

Here we are at the end of October already and the weather has been fantastic. The colors are finally looking great.

At our last meeting, we put together a good group of members and non-

members to work our Swiss steak dinner; hopefully, it went well.

We also discussed our annual dues. If you haven't paid yours, please send them in or drop them off. Also, please put your phone numbers and email addresses on them, as we'll be using email more.

Please remember, in June 2015, new officer elections will be held. Think about any position you may be interested in. I will not be running for Commander again, so think about your nominee.

Looking forward to deer hunting, the Holidays and a "little" snow!

SAL Commander, Don (Hook) Egner

Happy Thanksgiving!



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Thank you to all our Veterans and Military Personnel for your service!

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Tuesday - November 11, 2014







Army

Navy

Marines





Air Force

Coast Guard

0600 - FLAGS UP

0700 - VETERANS COMPLIMENTARY BREAKFAST

McFARLAND H.S. LIBRARY

1600 - FLAGS DOWN, FOLD AND STORE

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NOVEMBER

2	Hope Rod & Gue Club 7 pm	Auroliary Mig 7 pm	S.A.L Mg 6:30 pm	6	7 Legion Mg 7 pre	1
9 Auxiliary Broakfast Sam-noon	10	III Veterans Day Flags up 6am Down 4.pm	12	13	14	1
Soup 16 Sandwich Bingo moon	:17	18	Exec Bd 7 pm 7 pm Newsletter Articles Due	20	21	2
23	24	25	26 No Rental	27 Thanksgiving Dinner	28 No Rental	2
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DECEMBER

Sat	Fri	Thu	Wed	Tue	Men	Sun
Boy Sceats Parcake Breakfast Beri-noon	Legion Mtg 7 pm	4	S.A.L. Mg 6:30 pm	Auditary Mig 7 pm	Hope Rod & Gun Club 7 pm	
13 Rental	12 Village Employee Appreciation Party	11	10	9	8	7
Post: Christmas Party	19	18	17 Exec Bd Mig 7 prr Newsletter Articles Due	16	15	14 Rental
27	26	25 Orranas	24	23	22	21
		7	31 New Year's Eve	30	29	28