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ANNUAL LEGION EVENTS

HAM SHOOTS
(9:30 a.m. to dusk) .
3/18/18
3/25/18

TURKEY SHOOTS
(9:30 a.m. to dusk)
11/4/18
11/11/18
11/18/18

RAFFLE BONANZA
(11:00 am)
3/11/18

SPECIAL EVENTS

12/2/17 Member fun night 5PM-7PM
2/17/18 Scout Auction 7PM

Wheaton Post 76 – Bingo



**FRIDAY
NIGHT**

7:00 pm

\$500 Jackpot Every Week!





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“The Spirit of 76”

Post News

December 2017



COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Bob Mischler, Commander

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630-768-4666

Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Turkey Shoot successful. As you know, all proceeds go to Christmas gifts in the form of gift cards to help those veterans and friends of the Post in need

Have you turned in your renewal for the year? Our 2018 fiscal year goes from July 2017 to June 2018. If you haven't renewed, you are not eligible for legion disaster assistance. We are still offering a free year if you pay for 4 years. This also protects you from any increases for the next 5 years.

When was the last time you have been to the Post? I'm asking all members to make the attempt to attend one meeting a year. Remember, dinner is free to all Post members after our monthly meeting. Stop on by. Our next meeting is Nov 7 at 7:30pm.

Don't forget our member fun night on Dec 2nd from 5-7. No volunteering is allowed at these events, Only fun allowed. In addition to a dinner and a fun night, I am asking each person to bring 2 dozen holiday cookies for a cookie exchange. This event is open to all Legion, Auxiliary, and SAL members and their significant other.

Find the latest information on our web site at americanlegionpost76.org or Facebook page.

Nothing great is ever achieved without enthusiasm.

Bob

In the event of death or illness, please contact either the Commander, Chaplain, or Color Guard Commander.

Chaplain: Stanley Luboff, 630/871-0227

Color Guard Commander: Sandv Lvkins. III. 630/436-0241



SAL Squadron 76

Ken Anderko, Squadron

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No meeting this month. We will probably next meet in March or April.

The turkey shoots were a success despite some rather rainy conditions the first two weeks. Thanks to all who helped outside on the line, inside on the shoot tables, the kitchen and the bar. It takes a great team effort and once again the three post entities stepped up.

Have a great holiday season..

Ken, aka "Curly"



Auxiliary #76 News

Sheila Meyer, President

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Happy Fall Auxiliary Ladies!!!

I hope everyone had an amazing Thanksgiving!!! And that everyone was able to get plenty of turkey!!!

We just finished up with the Turkey shoots, all of the proceeds that we made in the kitchen will be going into our scholarship fund. A HUGE thank you to everyone that was able to come and help in the kitchen. It was greatly appreciated.

Here is what's coming up:

First up in December, we have our Commander's Fun Night on Dec 2. Not sure what is on the menu for the night, but Commander has said that we will be doing a cookie exchange - If you would like to participate, bring 2 dozen cookies and a dish to take home your new cookies in.

Then a couple of days later, on Dec 4, we will be having our annual Christmas/Holiday party right before our Dec meeting. The dinner will start promptly at 6:30 please bring a dish to share and your family. Instead of grab bag this year we will be donating a gift to Toys for Tots. Please bring an unwrapped toy.

In Jan we will be holding an initiation ceremony for anyone who has not been initiated yet. As always we have the need for new members. If you have any ideas, or know someone who might be interested in joining, please let me know right away!!!

Our next meeting of this year will be on December 4th at 6:30. I hope to see all you there!!!

Don't forget to like us on Facebook:

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 76 and American Legion Post 76

Thank you for your continued support of our Veterans..

Sheila

Auxiliary Education News

The American Legion Auxiliary college scholarship program kicks off in January 2018, interested parties please call Barb Goepel for information @ 630-373-5822.

This program is open to Post 76 members' children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Requirements include a list of specific forms, references, grades (the student currently must be in good standing @ their institution) and an essay will be required for consideration.

Scouting News

A graphic of the American flag, featuring a blue field with white stars and a red and white striped field, curved at the top.

Save the Date

for the **SUPPORTERS OF PACK 32**

AUCTION

Saturday, February 17, 2018

American Legion Post 76, 570 S. Gary Ave. Carol Stream, IL

Registration begins at 6pm, Live Auction & White Elephant Auction begins at 7pm

**PERROTTET-NICKERSON POST 76
AMERICAN LEGION**

Minutes of the regular meeting held 7 November 2017

Call to Order: Commander Mischler called the meeting to order at 1930 hours.

The colors were saluted. The opening prayer was offered. The POW/MIA flag was properly placed on an empty chair in accordance with National Resolution 288. The pledge of allegiance and the Preamble of the Constitution of the American Legion were recited in due form

Guests & New Members: None

Reading of Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of 3 October have been published and copies circulated around the Post hall. Approved as submitted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Adjutant: No report

Finance Officer: Meyer reported the Post bank balance. \$5,500.00 encumbered for assistance to needy veterans and their families. Motion by Glenn, second by Goepel, for approval, subject to audit. Motion passed.

Senior Vice Commander: 2018 dues paid, 183 towards goal of 247; 74.09%

Junior Vice Commander: No report.

Sergeant-At-Arms: Pizza for post meeting meal

Color Guard: Lykins noted that arrangements for Veterans Day ceremony have been made. Will be at Memorial Park in Wheaton at 1045 hrs. Meet at Post at 0930 hrs. Arrangements for Wheaton holiday parade are being made.

Building & Grounds: Club Yahoo has changed managers. We are gradually increasing our hall rental fees due to improvements made. Dave Fietsam has indicated that he will be unable to serve on the B & G Board.

Auxiliary: The auxiliary will provide, at no charge, a roast pork dinner to all veterans on 10 November. There will be a pot luck dinner at the December meeting. Toys for Tots now being collected.

SAL: 2018 membership stands at 33 received vs. 44 goal – 75%. Date of next meeting TBD.

Baseball: No report.

Boy Scouts: There will be a Court of Honor convened in the spring. The local council has agreed to allow girls to join the Boy Scouts.

Boys State: No report

Sick Call & Memorials: No news is great news!!!!

Service Officer: The VA will “further explore” adding ailments to the list of compensable conditions caused by exposure to Agent Orange used during the Vietnam War.
The VA will be issuing ID cards to veterans. Apply online.
Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan has announced the dissolution of “VietNow”, a Rockford based organization which has been found to be a fraudulent charity.

District: Currently 18th of 25 Districts in Department membership standings.
Posts should be preparing for oratorical contests and Boys State coming in the spring.
Next meeting in Huntley in February.

Old Business: Goepel reported that Aldi declined to provide hams for the fall shoots. \$10.00 Jewel gift cards were substituted. Motion by Mero, second by Lykins to use Butterball certificates and Jewel gift cards for the balance of the shoots. Motion passed.
All holiday “basket” requests are subject to review. Motion by Luboff, second by Westerhausen use something other than Aldi gift cards for holiday baskets. Motion passed.
Lykins asked that care be exercised when marking targets. If not done properly, it causes confusion on the line.

New Business: Check online for “freebies” available to vets on Veterans Day.
Glenn offered a Vietnam era parachute to anyone who would care to have it. Goepel accepted it.

Other Business: Member Jim Benzin (Also Commander of the Carol Stream VFW Post) noted that the plans for the new Veterans Memorial were presented to the Carol Stream Zoning Board, and they were approved. More than \$100,000.00 has been raised to date. More fund raisers are being planned, including another pasta dinner here at the Post in January.
The Rolling Thunder would like to provide a POW/MIA memorial.
Plans call for ground breaking on Memorial Day, 2018, with dedication on Memorial Day 2019.

Good of the Legion: There is a virus in the Post website. We are working on solving the problem.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP AT BINGO ON FRIDAY NIGHTS!!!! Bingo is a vital fund raiser for the Post, and we cannot afford to lose revenue due to lack of volunteers. Please see Sandy Lykins.

Calendar Review: The calendar for the next two months was reviewed.

Commanders Comments: Member Fun Night on 12 December

The POW/MIA flag was recovered.

The closing prayer was recited, and the colors were saluted.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 2040 hours.

William F. Andersen
Adjutant



From your Service Officer

Online VA scheduling now available through my HealtheVet

You can now manage your primary care and certain specialty care VA appointments online at [participating VA facilities](#). You will need a Premium My HealtheVet Account to use online scheduling. If you do not have a Premium account, please [visit My HealtheVet](#) or contact the My HealtheVet Coordinator at your [nearest VA facility](#).

Currently, online scheduling is available at more than 100 VA facilities and their associated Community Based Outpatient Clinics. VA plans to add more appointment types in the future and is working to make online scheduling available at nearly all VA facilities next year. If you are eligible to use online scheduling, you will see a “Schedule a VA Appointment” option when you log in to your My HealtheVet Premium Account.

To make an appointment online, you need to be registered as a patient in My HealtheVet and have a Premium Account. To schedule a primary care appointment, you must have had a primary care appointment at **that** facility within the last two years. [Contact your facility](#) for information about available specialty care appointments.

What you can do with the online scheduling tool?

- **Self-schedule** primary care appointments at participating VA facilities where you have had a primary care appointment in the past two years.
- **Request help scheduling** primary care appointments at participating VA facilities where you receive care.
- **Self-schedule** or **request help scheduling** specialty appointments, such as outpatient mental health, optometry and audiology, at participating facilities.
- **View** or **cancel** appointments and requests.
- **Track** the status of appointment requests.
- **Send messages** about requested appointments.
- **Get notifications** about appointments.

If your VAMC does not currently participate in online scheduling, please know that VA is working to expand access to additional medical centers. If you need to make an appointment immediately, call the VA facility where you want to receive care.

If you need help with online scheduling, please dial 1-877-470-5947. For TTY assistance, dial 711. The Help Desk is open weekdays from 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. CT.

Thank You for your continued dedication to the American Legion and our Post.

Michael Mero

Post Service Officer
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December 2017

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
					Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	Member Event 5-7PM
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Aux Meeting Pot Luck Dinner 6:30PM	Post Meeting 7:30PM			Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		7:30pm - SAL			Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Exec Meeting 6:30PM B & G Meeting 7:30PM			40et8 Promenade Downers Grove	Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Christmas Eve	Christmas Day				Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
New Year's Eve						

January 2018

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1 <div data-bbox="331 240 604 272">Aux Meeting</div> <div data-bbox="331 289 604 321">6:30PM</div> <div data-bbox="331 337 604 370">New Year's Day</div>	2 <div data-bbox="625 240 898 272">Post Meeting</div> <div data-bbox="625 289 898 321">7:30PM</div>	3	4	5 <div data-bbox="1476 240 1749 272">Bingo \$500</div> <div data-bbox="1476 289 1749 321">7:00 PM</div>	6
7	8	9 <div data-bbox="625 557 814 589">7:30pm - SAL</div>	10	11	12 <div data-bbox="1476 557 1749 589">Bingo \$500</div> <div data-bbox="1476 605 1749 638">7:00 PM</div>	13
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GIFTS TO YANKS WHO GAVE

Dear Legion Family Members,

Shortly after World War II, **The American Legion** established the "*Gifts To Yanks Who Gave*" program. This program was to provide Christmas gifts for veterans who were hospitalized during the holiday season. A **December Tag Day** was established to provide the funds to support this program. **Legionnaires** were asked to support this program. **Legionnaires** were asked to volunteer their time to help with collections of donations on this day.

Many towns and cities have now become concerned about having collectors out on the streets at this time of the year. The safety of these volunteers is at risk during the early dusk mornings and dark twilight evenings when collections are at their peak. These hours are our prime hours for collections - when we have both the manpower and our donors out. However, many cities are now refusing to grant permits due to the safety risk and possible liability.

For this reason we are asking our **Legion Family** members to help keep this worthy cause functioning. If each **Legion Family** member would make a small contribution, we feel we can make a difference.

Please tear off the form at the bottom of this page and send us what you can afford. Show our comrades who gave so much that we still care. Remember, *but for the Grace of God*, any of us could have been on the receiving end of this program.

From all of your Post Officers - a hearty **Thank YOU** and *best wishes for a Merry Holiday Season!*



Name: _____ Donation: \$ _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Mail your check with this form to:
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*and on behalf of
those who gave so much
- Thank You Again!*