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## ANNUAL LEGION EVENTS

HAM SHOOTS	TURKEY SHOOTS	RAFFLE BONANZA
(9:30 a.m. to dusk)	(9:30 a.m. to dusk)	(11:00 am)
3/18/18	11/5/17	3/11/18
3/25/18	11/12/17	
	11/19/17	

## SPECIAL EVENTS

11/11/17 Veterans Day Ceremony – 11am  
12/2/17 Member fun night 5PM-7PM

**Wheaton Post 76 – Bingo**



**FRIDAY  
NIGHT**

7:00 pm

**\$500 Jackpot Every Week!**





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# *“The Spirit of 76” Post News*

*November 2017*



## **COMMANDER'S COMMENTS**

**Bob Mischler, Commander**

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The cooler weather has arrived. Put away the beach items, store the lawn mower, rake the leaves. What else is there to do? But wait! Of Course! It's time for the Annual Turkey Shoots! Always a good time to be had winning Turkey Certificates and Hams. Still only \$3 per shot.

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.

Mark your calendar now for Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5-7PM. We will be having another member fun night. The plan is for members to just come, relax and enjoy some association with other members. 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.

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Nothing great is ever achieved without enthusiasm.

*Bob*

JUST FOR FUN .....

## How Do You Play Air Force Bingo?

B-52...F-16...A-10.

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. As it stands now, we will probably next meet in March or April. The post's annual turkey shoots are happening this month, the 5th, the 12th and the 19th. Come out and support this worthwhile event, the majority of the proceeds go toward Christmas gifts for the needy.

*Ken, aka "Curly"*



*Auxiliary #76 News*

**Sheila Meyer, President**

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Hello Auxiliary Ladies!!!

Our 2017 -2018 year is off to a great start!!!

We had our Annual Fall Craft Show on Oct 14<sup>th</sup>. Beside all the rain, we still had several people come out to shop. And no one floated away !!! A huge thank you to all of crafters and vendors that paid to have a space, and all of the Auxiliary, Legion, and SAL members who came out in the rain to help work the event.

Here is what's coming up:

\*Now that November is just around the corner, our attention turns to the Turkey Shoots !! The Shoot dates are Sun, Nov 5, 12, and 19<sup>th</sup>. The Auxiliary serves lunch. - we will need help in the kitchen for anyone that is available, even if it is for a couple of hours, it would be greatly appreciated.

\*In December we will be having our Christmas/Holiday party right before our Dec meeting.

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 November 6<sup>th</sup> 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*

**PERROTTET-NICKERSON POST 76  
AMERICAN LEGION**

**Minutes of the regular meeting held 3 October 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 5 September 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. Motion by Stange, second by Miller for approval, subject to audit. Motion passed.

**Senior Vice Commander:** 2018 dues paid, 167 towards goal of 247; 69.61%

**Junior Vice Commander:** No report.

**Sergeant-At-Arms:** No report

**Color Guard:** Lykins noted that arrangements for Veterans Day ceremony have been made.

**Building & Grounds:** Club Yahoo has changed managers.  
Some exterior doors will need replacement in the near future,

**Auxiliary:** Lisa M. noted that the Unit has made arrangements to handle the Auxiliary raffle on Friday night.

Craft show on 14 October. Still more room for exhibitors

**SAL:** 2018 membership stands at 32 received vs. 44 goal – 72.7%

**Baseball:** The Post has been officially appointed as host for the 2018 Junior State Tournament.

**Boy Scouts:** Cub Scout Pack now “official”. Open house on 14 October.  
Discussions being held regarding the restart of the Venture Group  
Scout Zach Frey has submitted paperwork for Eagle Scout status

**Boys State:** No report

**Sick Call & Memorials:** Ed Haustknecht will have surgery tomorrow.  
Past Commander Art Travling not feeling well  
Please keep these brothers in your thoughts and prayers.

**Service Officer:** Senior Fair at County Building on 4 October  
Fixler noted that in spite of recent problems the VA would like to continue using the Post facility for veterans' assistance

**District:** No report

**Old Business:** Target marking on 12 October @ 1830 hours. ALL HANDS ON DECK!

**New Business:** Department has produced a limited edition Centennial Coin, and is offering #76 to the Post at a cost of \$100.00. Price includes acrylic display case. Motion by Lykins, second by Miller to purchase coin as noted above. Motion passed.  
No local plans so far to celebrate 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Legion.

**Other Business:** At the September meeting, the following names were placed in nomination for three year terms on the Building and Grounds Board: Sanford Lykins III, Michael Stange, Del Miller and Ed Haustknecht. There being no further nominations, Rogers moved, Fixler seconded to close nominations. Motion passed.  
Luboff moved, McSweeney seconded to elect the nominees by acclamation. Motion passed unanimously.

**Good of the Legion:** Steve Fixler has been appointed Illinois' representative to the National Desert Storm War Memorial Commission. There will be a fund raising event, a Chicago Wolves hockey game on 11 November. See Steve for information and tickets.

**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 2015 hours.

William F. Andersen  
Adjutant



**From your Service Officer**

## **ATTORNEY GENERAL MADIGAN SUES VETERANS' ASSOCIATION FOR LURING VETS AND THEIR FAMILIES INTO PENSION BENEFITS SCAM**

**Chicago** – Attorney General Lisa Madigan filed a lawsuit against the Association for Wartime Veterans (AAWV) and Atlantis Marketing Solutions Inc., (AMS), as well as AAWV's owner and president and the company's regional director for steering veterans and their families into costly insurance products they did not need.

Pension benefits scams prey on veterans by targeting the financial assistance offered through the U.S. Department of Veterans (VA), which provides pension benefits to financially disadvantaged wartime veterans over age 65 and their survivors.

Madigan's lawsuit, filed in the Circuit Court of Cook County, alleges that since 2009 AAWV and AMS, both located in Shelby Township, Michigan, sent "professional members" across Illinois to make pitches to veterans and widows at assisted living facilities about applying to the VA for various pension program benefits. In addition to not being accredited by the VA as required by federal law, the so-called professional members were actually salespeople peddling annuities and other insurance products. Madigan alleges AAWV's actual purpose was to generate leads to funnel to AMS or related organizations in order to sell annuities.

AAWV and AMS have attracted the attention of other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies, including the VA, Minnesota's Commissioner of Commerce, and Hillsborough County, Florida. Generally, such conduct has also received scrutiny from the U.S. Senate Committee on Aging and the Government Accountability Office.

For more information about the pension benefits scam or to learn more about Madigan's Military and Veterans' Rights Bureau, please visit her [website](#) or contact her Military and Veterans' Rights Hotline at 1-800-382-3000.

Veterans can also gather more information from the following resources:

A searchable list of VA-accredited representatives is available at [www.va.gov/ogc/apps/accreditation/index.asp](http://www.va.gov/ogc/apps/accreditation/index.asp) or call 1-800-827-1000.

For more information about VA non-service-connected pension benefits, visit [www.benefits.va.gov/pension](http://www.benefits.va.gov/pension).

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

*Michael Mero*

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# November 2017

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
				<input type="checkbox"/> Target Setup	<input type="checkbox"/> Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Shoot <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Shoot 9:30 - ? <input type="checkbox"/> Daylight Saving	<input type="checkbox"/> Aux Meeting 6:30PM	<input type="checkbox"/> Post Meeting 7:30PM			<input type="checkbox"/> Bingo \$500 7:00 PM <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Ceremony <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Day
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Shoot 9:30 - ?				<input type="checkbox"/> 40et8 <input type="checkbox"/> Promenade <input type="checkbox"/> Downers Grove	<input type="checkbox"/> Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Shoot 9:30 - ?	<input type="checkbox"/> Exec Meeting 6:30PM <input type="checkbox"/> B & G Meeting 7:30PM			<input type="checkbox"/> Thanksgiving Day	<input type="checkbox"/> Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
<input type="checkbox"/> All <input type="checkbox"/> Decorate Hall -						

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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		Deadline for Baskets	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						



# TURKEY SHOOT

THREE SUNDAYS

NOVEMBER 5, 12, 19, 2017

Doors open: 7:00 am

Ticket Sales: 8:00 a.m.

Shoots Start: 9:30 a.m. 'til dusk

**PUBLIC  
INVITED**

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**PRIZES PER  
ROUND**

- Ammunition provided -  
Bring your own gun, or the  
Post will supply one



Every 10 rounds  
"Money Round"  
Prizes

\$50 - \$25 - \$10

Proceeds go to Christmas gifts for ;  
needy families in the Post 76 Area.

Breakfast by the Scouts  
7:00 am

Lunch available

**SHOTGUN RAFFLE**  
Benefiting Legion Boys Baseball



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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: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to: **The American Legion**

Mail your check with this form to:  
570 S. Gary Avenue  
Carol Stream, IL 60188

*and on behalf of  
those who gave so much  
- Thank You Again!*