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ANNUAL LEGION EVENTS

HAM SHOOTS
(9:30 a.m. to dusk) .
3/13/16
3/20/16

TURKEY SHOOTS
(9:30 a.m. to dusk)
11/8/15
11/15/15
11/22/15

SPECIAL EVENTS

7/4/15 Independence Day Parade
8/15/15 Post Installation

Wheaton Post 76 - BINGO
American Legion Hall • 570 Gary Avenue

3	1	2	4	
	22	45	52	
10	16	44	58	61
5	17	FREE	51	64
4	29	36	60	74
	26	43	55	

FRIDAY NIGHT
7:00 pm



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Post #76 News

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June 2015



COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Bob Mischler, Commander

Bob.mischler@gmail.com

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Last month, the mailed version of the newsletter did not get printed due to a problem with our printer. Copies were available at the Legion. Those of you who receive the email had the newsletter as normal. We will continue the mail version until the end of this year.

I have been informed that both our post, our Auxiliary, our SAL, and our County have all surpassed 100% membership quota. Thank you to all who have paid on time.

At the Post meeting on June 2nd, we will be electing our next year's Post Officers for the 2015-2016 year, and 3 members to the Executive Committee. See details in the Post Meeting minutes.

Hope you all had a wonderful Memorial Day.

Nothing great is ever achieved without enthusiasm.

Bob



Auxiliary #76 News

Lisa Mattingly, President

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June is here. We are having a pot luck at the Legion – June 1st. Please come. Poppies are going to be passed out June 13 & 14. We are going to be at Jewel in Carol Stream and Wheaton, at Ultra in Wheaton, and Caputo's in Carol Stream. We need lots of help, please come. All the money goes to help veterans. We also are going to be at the METRA station down town Wheaton on the 11 & 12. Please come and help. We still need help in the kitchen at Bingo every Friday. We are having the Illinois state legion baseball in July we need all the help we can get have to feed all the teams - two meals a day plus visitors. It is going to be a real challenge, PLEASE COME BY.

Lisa



SAL Squadron 76

Ken Anderko, Squadron Commander

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313-218-4765

Not much to report this month, our next meeting will be in September. Our post installation has been moved up a week to August 15th. We could always use more help for our Friday night bingo. As always, please remember our vets and have a great summer.

Ken, aka "Curly"

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

**PERROTTET-NICKERSON POST 76
AMERICAN LEGION**

Minutes of the regular meeting held 5 May 2015

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

The colors were saluted, Chaplain Luboff offered opening prayer. 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.

Reading of Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of 7 April 2015 have been published and copies circulated around the Post hall. Fietsam moved for approval, seconded by Westerhausen. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Adjutant: Andersen read a letter from the Department Commander regarding the Lincoln Challenge Academy, a program designed to offering support to at risk young people.

Finance Officer: Meyer reported the Post bank balance. Motion by Miller, seconded by Haustknecht to approve report subject to audit. Motion passed.

Senior Vice Commander: Lykins reported membership stands at 249/248 – 100.4% Notifications for the annual school awards program have been sent out, and several responses have been received. He will follow up with schools.

Junior Vice Commander: No report

Color Guard: Lykins noted that arrangements have been made to deliver necessary equipment for Memorial Day ceremony. Help is needed at 0900 on 23 May. On Sunday, 24 May we will be placing flags on veterans' graves at Wheaton Cemetery beginning at 0900.

Those desiring to participate in the Memorial Day parade should be at the Post at 0830 on 25 May.

Flag removal on Tuesday

Post Everlasting will be held at West Chicago Post on 13 May, beginning at 1930 hours. Wheaton, West Chicago and Downers Grove color guards should be there at 1830 hours.

Building & Grounds: Fietsam stated we need some additional help at bingo. About nine (9) volunteers are working about forty five (45) weeks a year at bingo, and it's too much to expect from these members. He will be asking for more volunteers following the meeting.

Parking problems will be discussed tomorrow at a meeting with Wheaton College with D. Miller and Fietsam representing the Post.

Auxiliary: Mattingly mentioned opportunities for free yoga classes for veterans. There will be a health fair tomorrow at Hines Hospital.

There will be a potluck dinner at the Auxiliary meeting on 1 June.

SAL: Anderko reported the next SAL meeting will be in September. Membership for 2015 exceeded 100%.

Baseball: J. Miller said that fund raising is going well, \$7,700 has been raised so far. Baseball representatives are meeting with local business groups to enlist their support.

Mero noted that for a fee of \$50.00 each, the Wheaton and Carol Stream Chambers of Commerce will send an email to all their members asking for support of the tournament. The emails will go out to about 800 businesses.

Wheaton College football coach Mike Swider will be the featured speaker at the banquet.

For a \$500.00 donation, a business or individual will be recognized with a banner on the outfield fence
Volunteers from the Post are needed!!!

Boy Scouts: Mischler reported that a long - time supporter of scouting, Tim Yoshino had passed away.

Boys State: Knapp reported that three boys from Wheaton North HS will be attending Boys State this year,

Sick Call & Memorials: Luboff mentioned that Larry Hoffman recently had surgery, and our thoughts and prayers are with him. Member William C. Boggs, Jr. has passed away.

Service Officer: Mero noted the date for the “stand down” for veterans in need at the DuPage County fairgrounds has been changed to 20 August – 21 August.

There will be an Armed Forces Day dinner held at Calumet City Post on 16 May. The National Commander will speak. New information regarding veterans’ caregivers is available at Hines Hospital. A HVAC training program for veterans is being developed

County: Westerhausen noted that County has achieved 102%+ membership this year. He encouraged everyone to attend the Post Everlasting ceremony on 13 May.

County is seeking candidates for office and committees for 2013 dues year. A student from Naperville finished second at the national oratorical contest. Department convention in Springfield 8 – 13 July.

Old Business: Mischler said more Post Legion caps are on order.

New Business: Miller moved, Fietsam seconded to appoint Ed Haustknecht and Mike Westerhausen as Post delegates to the Department convention. Motion passed.

Mero mentioned that as a result of the recent turkey flu epidemic, we might have supply problems for the fall shoots.

Miller, as Chairman of the Nominating Committee consisting of himself, Lykins, III, Fietsam, and Fixler, proposed the following slate of candidates for the 2015-2016 year:

- Commander: Robert Mischler
- Senior Vice Commander – Sanford Lykins, III
- First Junior Vice Commander – Open
- Second Junior Vice Commander – Michael Stange
- Sergeant At Arms – Elmer Branscum
- Ass’t Sergeant At Arms – Karen Fernando
- Finance Officer – Kenneth Meyer

For positions on the Executive Board:

- Ed Haustknecht
- Lisa Mattingly
- Donald Bayer

Nominations from the floor will be acknowledged at the June meeting prior to the election.

Good of the Legion: None.

Calendar Review: The calendar for the next two months was reviewed. Next Post meeting on 2 June.

Commanders Comments: None...

The POW/MIA flag was recovered.

Luboff offered the closing prayer and the colors were saluted.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 2023 hours.



From your Service Officer

Once again, I am donating my space in the monthly newsletter to solicit your help in funding the Illinois State Baseball Tournament. I would like to also thank those Post Members who have already made a personal donation. *Mike*

We are proud to announce that our baseball team, Post 76 Thunder has been selected to host the 2015 American Legion Illinois State Baseball Tournament scheduled for July 28-August 2, 2015. The tournament will feature some of the best nineteen year old and under baseball players in the state, the majority of whom will go on to play college-level baseball and beyond. All games will be played at the newly renovated/state of the art Legion Post 76 baseball field.

As host team, the Post 76 Thunder team will earn an automatic berth in the State Tournament and compete with five other league champion teams from around the state, two of which will advance to the six-state Midwest Regional Tournament. Based on past history, it is anticipated that hundreds of participants including players, coaches, parents, fans and Legionnaires will attend.

Bringing the State Tournament to our Post is an honor, but does not come without costs. As host team, we are responsible for all lodging and meals for the visiting team players and coaches, game related expenses including umpires, baseballs, field maintenance, and trophies along with the pre-tournament kick-off banquet. The estimated cost for all these expenses could be as high as \$25,000; however we do receive some money from the State Baseball Headquarters. It is anticipated that can/will save costs by hosting the banquet at the Post verses catering it at an outside venue and by providing required player/coach meals prepared and served at our Post facility by in-house volunteers.

Consequently, hosting a successful tournament we can all be proud of will require some fundraising efforts which are being coordinated by a committee of team parents, coaches, players and volunteers from the Post. Along with planned fundraising events, game admission fees and concessions, the committee is also reaching out to various Wheaton and Carol Stream businesses to solicit sponsorship donations, an activity that has proved to be very successful for other Posts that have hosted State Tournaments in past years.

If you are interested in helping out by making a fully tax deductible donation to this worth-while Post event please cut off and complete the form below then mail it along with your check or money order payable to: **Post 76 Baseball State Tournament**. The mailing address is:

**American Legion Post 76
Attn: State Baseball Tournament Fund
570 S. Gary Ave.
Carol Stream, IL 60188**

Thank You for your continued commitment to our Legion and Post.

If you have question, please contact Michael Mero via email at: pnpost76@gmail.com (reference State Tournament)

DONOR CONTACT INFORMATION:

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____

Email address (optional): _____

June 2015

American Legion Post 76

Jun 2015 (Central Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
	Aux Meeting Pot Luck Dinner 6:30PM	Post Meeting (elections) 7:30PM			Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
			County Meeting Hinsdale 7:30 PM	Flag Ceremony 7:30	Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	Poppy Day 8:00 AM
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Exec Meeting 6:30PM B & G Meeting 7:30PM			40et8 Promenade Downers Grove	Post 76 Baseball Classic Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Post 76		Newsletter 6:30PM			Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
28	29	30	1	2	3	4

July 2015

American Legion Post 76

Jul 2015 (Central Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
					Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	Independence Parade 10AM
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Post Meeting 7:30PM	County Meeting Wheaton 7:30 PM		Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
			11th District Baseball Tournament			
				40et8 Promenade Downers Grove	Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Exec Meeting 6:30PM B & G Meeting 7:30PM				Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	Newsletter 6:30PM	Baseball Tournament			Bingo \$500 7:00 PM	

The POPPY . . .



**symbol of the
sacrifice that
our veterans
have made.**

*"In Flanders Fields the poppies blow between the crosses row on row,
that mark our place; and in the sky the larks, still bravely singing,
fly scarce heard amid the guns below . . ."*

For over 70 years, the American Legion Auxiliary has sponsored Poppy Day to remind America that millions have sacrificed their lives and health to keep our nation strong and free.

The poppy which grew wild on the battlefields of Flanders became, in the minds of the doughboys of World War I, a symbol of the sacrifice which they had endured. It had flourished among the shelled buildings and bomb-scarred landscape. Its brilliant red bloom, so much like the blood which had been shed there, became a sign of hope and renewal for those who lived and walked away. For those who sacrificed their lives and would never leave, it was a perpetual memorial to their bravery.

American veterans brought home that image and planted it with the Auxiliary, where it has bloomed every year, for the benefit of those who served America. The Memorial Poppy contributions are devoted entirely to rehabilitation and assistance for veterans and their families.



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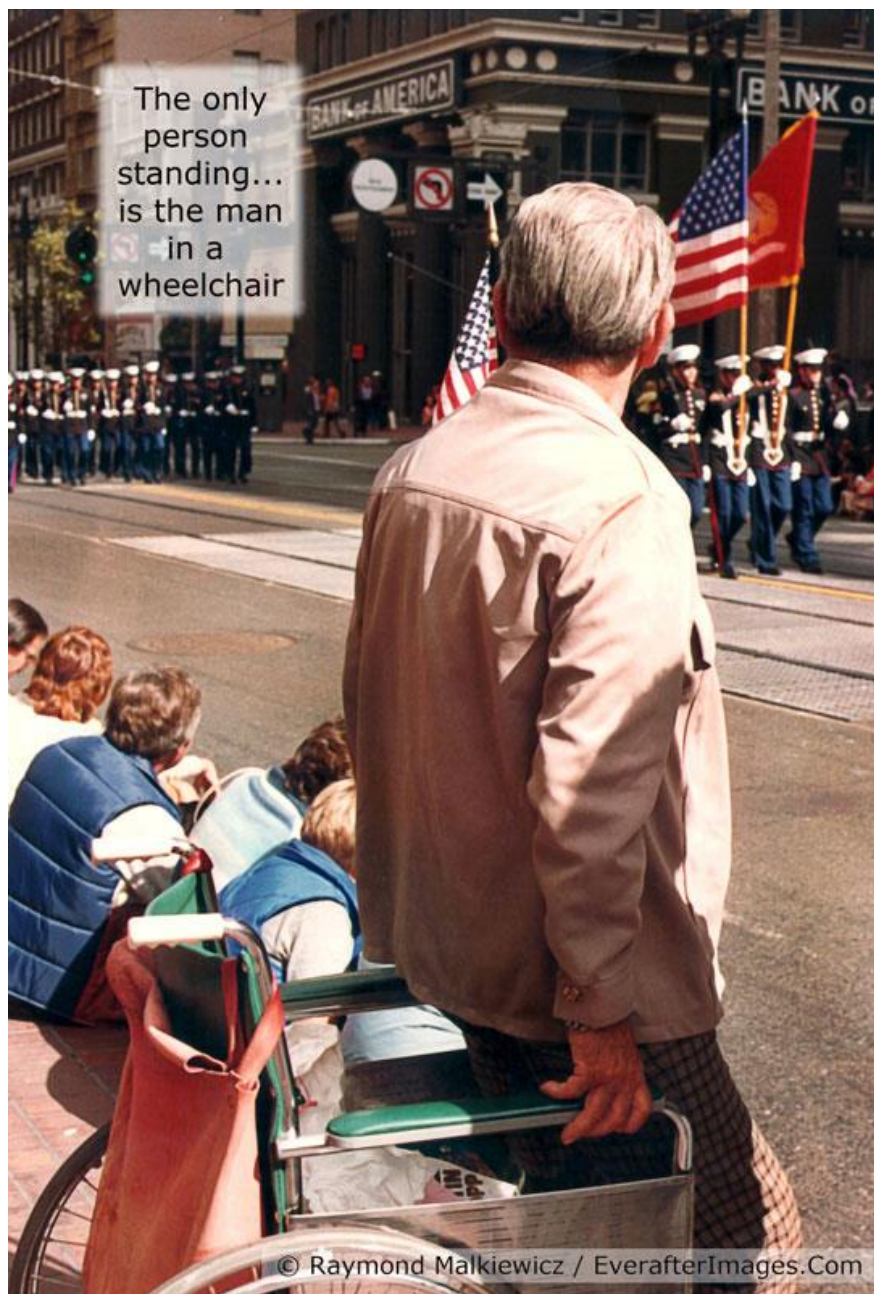
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Donations accepted until June 30th.

Memorial Day Memos

Little Jake asked his mother during the Memorial Day Parade: "Mamma, don't soldiers ever go to heaven?"
"Of course they do!" protested his mother. "What makes you ask?"
"There are so many soldiers with beards but I never saw any pictures of angels with beards." he replied.
The mother responded "Oh, that's because most vets who go to Heaven get there by a close shave."

The man in the picture below must be a Veteran.





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