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ANNUAL LEGION EVENTS

HAM SHOOTS (9:30 a.m. to dusk)	TURKEY SHOOTS (9:30 a.m. to dusk)	RAFFLE BONANZA (11:00 am)
4/2/17 4/9/17	11/6/16 11/13/16 11/20/16	10/23/16

SPECIAL EVENTS

5/30/16	Memorial Day Parade
8/13/16	Post Installation
10/1/16	Oktoberfest

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May 2016



COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Bob Mischler, Commander

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Last month we saw the return of our Steak Fry. This was the first time I saw us sell out of steaks. We had a slow start in the kitchen, which cause a service delay, but I heard from many people, it was worth the wait.

Coming up in May...

Our Post meeting on May 3rd. We will be nominating next year's officers. If you would like to get more involved with the Post, this is the meeting to attend.

On May 11th, Post Everlasting Ceremony at the West Chicago Post at 7:30pm. Sadly, our Post will be remembering 15 members that we lost this year in this ceremony. I encourage everyone to attend this ceremony if you are available.

On May 30th, we will once again be organizing/participating in the Wheaton Parade.

Bob

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Nothing great is ever achieved without enthusiasm.



SAL Squadron 76

Ken Anderko, Squadron

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We met this month and confirmed next year officers. Since it was the last main topic to be addressed this membership year, we will not be scheduled to meet again until September.

Have a great summer and remember we can always use help on Friday nights for bingo.

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



Auxiliary #76 News

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Hello Auxiliary Ladies!!!

I hope that everyone is enjoying the nice spring weather !!! Are you enjoying the beautiful spring flowers? I hope so. Mine are just beautiful !!

Since our last newsletter, we have all been very busy.

I can believe that this year is almost over.

At our April meeting we worked on the Constitution and Bylaws revisions. Any member that would like a copy of the new Constitution and Bylaws can contact Secretary Pam Powel at:

Pamelaa.powell@yahoo.com or 630-780-8450.

At our May meeting we will be finishing up the Constitution and Bylaws, by finalizing our standing rules. We will also be initiating any member that joined after Nov 2011. If you are interested in participating in the ceremony, please come to the Post on May 2 @ 6:30pm

We will also be looking for a new slate of officers for our next year (2016-2017). If you are interested in trying an office or trying a new office, simply come to the meeting on May 2 at 6:30pm

Our last meeting of the year will be on June 6. We will be having a Pot-Luck, so just bring a dish to share.

Our next meeting will be on May 2 @ 6:30pm. I hope to you there.

Thank you for your continued support of our Veterans.

Sheila

PERROTTET-NICKERSON POST 76
AMERICAN LEGION

Minutes of the regular meeting held 5 April 2016

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

Reading of Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of 1 March 2016 have been published and copies circulated around the Post hall. Motion by Stange, second by Fagel to approve. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Adjutant: No report

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

Senior Vice Commander: Lykins reported 2016 year membership stands at 256/254 – 100.8%. School awards season are progressing. If you would care to help present awards, please see Lykins.

Junior Vice Commander: Stange noted the steak fry was a success – profit will be about \$411.00. We sold out the 70 steaks purchased. However, the price of steaks rose sharply last week, making planning for future events difficult.

Color Guard: Lykins is working on Memorial Day plans.

Building & Grounds: Bingo Like Raffle went well. Thanks to all who helped out. At the next B & G meeting, Mike Mero will succeed Dave Fietsam as Chairman of the B & G Committee. Thanks to Dave for a job well done! Chamberlain Corp. has donated a commercial grade color copy machine to the Post. Our thanks to them.

Auxiliary: Barb Goepel asked for members to assist with Poppy Day to be held on 21 May, from 0900 to 1200 hours. They will be present at two Jewel stores, two intersections, and possibly Caputo's. Contact Paula Krasnow with questions and to volunteer.

SAL: Anderko said the next meeting will be held in April. Membership stands at 48/49 – 98.1%

Baseball: Mero noted that Savers will have a truck in the parking lot on 9 April to receive donations for clothing, household items, etc. Proceeds to benefit the baseball program.

Boy Scouts: Council has inquired about the possibility of the Post sponsoring Crew 32 and a Boy Scout troop.

Boys State: No report.

Sick Call & Memorials: Lisa Mattingly is hospitalized following a fall. Luboff noted the following members have passed away: Francis Klein, Herbert Adams, Paul Greening, Longin Bielan, and Ansel Nelson. May they rest in peace.

Service Officer: Mero noted a fund raiser for a DuPage County Honor Flight is being initiated. The Illinois Dept. of Veterans' Affairs is working to improve scholarship opportunities and access to mental health care for discharged military.

The Wheaton Homeless Veterans Shelter continues to work on homeless veterans issues.

County/District: Fagel noted that the Post will receive recognition for achieving 100% of membership goal at the 13 April County meeting.

Westerhausen stated that DuPage County is second in the 11th District membership achievement. The District is first in the state.

There will be leadership training in May. Mike will get the date and advise.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Mischler appointed Del Miller, Dave Fietsam and Mike Westerhausen to serve as the Nominating Committee for Post elections to be held in June.

Mischler appointed Westerhausen and Fagel to serve as Post delegates to the Department convention in July. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the Post's position on the dismantling of the County Legion offices. There being no consensus, it was decided that those attending the District meeting on 13 April would vote as they see fit.

Good of the Legion: Luboff noted that the flag pole donated to Arrowhead Golf Club (Wheaton Park District) was missing, He will inquire as to its status.

Lykins noted we need a replacement for Elmer Branscum as an aide at Friday night bingo.

We all need work closely with the Village to assure correct information regarding our activities is shared with the residents.

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

Next Post meeting on 3 May 2016.

Commanders Comments: None.

The POW/MIA flag was recovered.

Luboff offered the closing prayer and the colors were saluted.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 2022 hours.

William F. Andersen
Adjutant



From your Service Officer

DuPage Veterans Foundation Annual Fundraiser **Proceeds to Benefit Honor Flight Chicago**

May 7, 2016 from 11am-3pm at the DuPage County Airport, 2700 International Drive in West Chicago.

Please come join us in honoring our WWII and Korean War Veterans.

The program includes live music provided by The Naperville Big Band & Legacy Girls.

Other featured events include: Lunch – Patriotic Program – Bagpipers – Period Specific Military Vehicles and Aircraft – Vintage Uniforms and Other Memorabilia.

Price per person is: \$30 for advanced purchase, \$40 at the door & \$20 for children.
WWII and Korean War Veterans are admitted at no charge.

Please consult the following website for further information.
<http://dupageveteransfoundation.org/>

The annual Post Everlasting Ceremony is to be held at the monthly meeting for the County on May 11th at West Chicago. If you are available, please make an effort to attend as several deceased Post#76 members will be among those memorialized.

Michael Mero

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May 2016

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
May 1	2 Aux Meeting 6:30PM	3 Post Meeting (Nominations) 7:30PM	4	5	6 Bingo \$500 JACKPOT 7:00 PM	7
8 Mothers' Day	9	10	11 County Meeting Post Everlasting West Chicago 7:30 PM	12	13 Bingo \$500 JACKPOT 7:00 PM	14
15	16 Exec Meeting 6:30PM B & G Meeting 7:30PM	17	18	19 40et8 Promenade Downers Grove - 7:30PM	20 Bingo \$500 JACKPOT 7:00 PM	21 Poppy Day 8:00 AM
22	23	24 Newsletter Work Night 6:30P PM	25	26	27 Bingo \$500 JACKPOT 7:00 PM	28
29 Wheaton Cemetery Place Flags 9:00 AM	30 Memorial Day Parade 10AM	31 Pick Up Flags 9AM	Jun 1	2	3 Bingo \$500 JACKPOT 7:00 PM	4

June 2016

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29 Wheaton Cemetery Place Flags 9:00 AM	30 Memorial Day Parade 10AM	31 Pick Up Flags 9AM	Jun 1	2	3 Bingo \$500 JACKPOT 7:00 PM	4
5	6 Aux Meeting Pot Luck Dinner 6:30PM	7 Post Meeting (elections) 7:30PM	8 County Meeting Wheaton 7:30 PM	9 Flag Retirement Ceremony 7:30 PM	10 Bingo \$500 JACKPOT 7:00 PM	11
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26	27	28	29	30	Jul 1 Bingo \$500 JACKPOT 7:00 PM	2 Parade 10AM

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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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