

*The 245er*  
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the CROSS PLAINS & MIDDLETON COMMUNITIES**

**CROSS PLAINS-MIDDLETON AMERICAN LEGION**

**Kerl-Endres-Brannan**

**Post 245**

**April 2017**

**Lest-We-Forget**

Let us pause and remember those Legionnaires, Auxiliary and Sons of American Legion that have gone on to their reward and may our thoughts and prayers rekindle their souls with our heavenly Father.

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**Post 245 Sick Call**

**Chaplin Pat Andreoni**

Richard Williamson – Home	Carl Lochner – Home	Paul Dull – Home
Ralph Schulenberg – Home	Dan Meier – Home	Allen Ripp – Home
Sam Dalio – Home	John Helleckson – Home	Bob Luhman – Home
Albert Oleson – Nursing Home		

I ask that everyone remembers these members that are going thru health problems as we enter this New Year. Please keep these members in your thoughts and prayers as you go thru your day. If you know of anyone that is having health problems please give me a call.

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**Upcoming Events:**

<b>April</b>	06 Lion’s Club	<b>May</b>	04 Lion’s Club
	16 Nancy Yaeger Easter		18 Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg
	20 Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg		20 Blue – High School grad party
	22 Boardgame day		30 Model T Club
	25 Model T Club		

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Need to include something in the Newsletter? Please email Carol Yttri at [cyttri@amfam.com](mailto:cyttri@amfam.com) or call 798-4950.

HALL RENTAL: Notice to all members. There is a special rental rate for the use of the building to members. Contact Torill Holm at 608-577-9658.

Someone ill or in the hospital? Call Pat Andreoni at 798-3844 or e-mail [jpandreo@aol.com](mailto:jpandreo@aol.com)

OFFICERS: POST COMMANDER	DAN CADY	438-2987
AUXILIARY PRESIDENT	JOAN RUNK	798-1416
S.A.L. COMMANDER	KEVIN BOEHNEN	798-2113

Post, Auxiliary and S.A.L meetings: Dinner 6:30pm; Meetings 7:30pm; Third Thursday of Month  
Executive Board Meeting: Third Thursday of the Month 5:15pm.

**Website: [www.americanlegioncp.org](http://www.americanlegioncp.org)**

## **Commander's Message**

**Dan Cady**

Dear Comrades:

Spring is here and I have returned from a couple of months in the desert, great to be back. I hope you have been well and have had an uneventful winter.

Our annual golf outing is coming up please see form and if interested please join us on Monday, June 5, 2017.

If you can get a foursome together or would like to golf please let me know and I will pair you up with someone.

If you know of anyone that golfs or even if they don't golf, they are welcome to join us. If you would be able to work either at the golf course for registration or at the legion with the meal please let me know.

**Attention:** At the April meeting we will be having a midterm election for Commander and if there are any others that need to be addressed please come and make the nominations from the floor.

We need volunteers for Flag routes, Volunteers that would be willing to assist our route leaders or if someone would like to step up and take over a route please let me know. As of this time we could use at least 3 helpers.

Memorial Day will soon be upon us. Plan on joining us for breakfast then going and honoring Vets and their families at 6 graveyards, then a parade and program. Then enjoy a day in our park with the Chamber and our Chicken Barbecue, I'm sure you will see friends there.

Yours in Comradeship,  
Commander Dan Cady  
608 438 2987

### **Thank you note from Tom Foseid**

I would like to thank all of our loyal volunteers that helped work at the Pancake Breakfast last Sunday, the 19th. Their continued efforts are truly appreciated in order to raise funding and get 275 folks together for a splendid breakfast and good fellowship. The volunteers were: Jeff Davis, Gerry and Kevin Boehnen, the Sarbacker clan (Lorin, Steve, Rock & Noel), Tim McNeil, Carol Yttri, LuAnn Foseid, Sue Hutton, Carol & Joe Hodgson, Flo & Tony Bayer, Chris & Mike Shanahan, Lee Mayrack, Ed Pelowsky, Emily Statz, and Cheryl Kelter. If I missed anybody.....tell me, and I'll go buy a stronger pair of glasses. Thank you all!

## **REGULAR MEETING March 16, 2017**

Meeting was called to order by Acting Commander Frank Kooistra at 7:36 PM

Motion by Dick Zwettler and 2<sup>nd</sup> by John Hill to accept the Minutes from the February meeting as printed in the 245er. Passed.

The Executive Minutes from the February meeting were read. Motion by Joe Hodgson and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Emily Cash to accept the minutes as read. Passed.

New member introduced is Patrick Koertji. Welcome Pat.

**Finance** – Report was handed out and reviewed. We have \$112,816.87 funds available. Motion by Bill Statz and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Boehnen to accept the report subject to audit. Passed.

**Chaplain** – Norm Esser is back home after being in the hospital. Is doing well. Pat stated there will be an Honor Flight on April 22. We will have at least 2 members going.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice** – We are at 206 paid with a goal of 229 to reach 100%. If you haven't paid yet get your dues in.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice** – NR

**SAL** – Gave report. Will have it in the 245er.

**Americanism** – Badgers Boys State candidates are all selected.

**Children & Youth** – NR

**Athletics** – NR

**Community Service** – NR

**Post Service** – New VA Director is Dr. Shulkin. His grandfather was a Pharmacist at the Madison VA. Norm Bradford and Dick Williamson will be going on the Honor Flight April 22.

**Public Relations** – NR

## **Old Business – NR**

**New Business** – Dick Zwettler stated the funeral for Bob Holtz will be July 15<sup>th</sup> at 5 Point Cemetery just outside of Richland Center. It will be at 10 AM. Dick will be calling members for the Honor Guard when the time gets closer.

Pat Andreoni stated the Honor flight will be going on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. We'll have some of our members going. Will set up a group to be at the airport when they return that evening. He also discussed the Girls Scouts Share program of sending cookies to the troops overseas. Last year we donated \$60 to the program. Motion by Pelowsky and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Frank Kooistra to donate \$60 to this. Passed.

There was a discussion on the program the 4<sup>th</sup> grade boys at Park School did. They had set a goal of \$500 to donate to a Veterans project. Their efforts raised \$364.17 which was sent to Camp American Legion. A motion was made by Pelowsky and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill Statz to donate \$136 to Park school on behalf of these boys. The money can be used as the school sees fit. Passed.

Emily Cash - Don't forget to bring food or personal items to next month's meeting. She is putting together a basket of goodies to be sent to our service members overseas.

Kitty – Doug Deaton (not Present)  
Brandy – Emily Cash  
50-50 – Frank Kooistra

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Ed Pelowsky, adjutant

## **Auxiliary Newsletter**

## **President Joan Runk**

Well Ladies, it's time for Easter eggs, plants and robins. Happy Easter to you and your family.

Kate Walsh-Bratton has been busy working on our reports. I hope she still has her right mind after doing all this work. Many thanks, Kate. I am so grateful. She has also designed her own forms for next year.

Speaking of next year, we will be accepting nominations from the floor at our April meeting. Voting will take place at our May meeting. The Dane County meeting will be at our Post on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Installation will be at the Dane County meeting with Ginny Faust and Dane County President Joyce Endres. This is quite an honor to have 2 past State Presidents install our officers. I have spoken with both Ginny and Joyce. They are very excited for us. A new era is unfolding. It has been an honor to serve Unit #245 for the past 11 years. I won't disappear. I will be of help to the Unit if asked.

Dept. of Wisconsin wants a list of new officers prior to the State Convention in July. Ginny says it has always been advised to elect and install officers in May and get that info to Headquarters.

Spring Conference will be held 4/29/17 at Southwest Tech-Lenz Center in Fennimore. Deadline is 4/14/17. Contact person is Joannie Dickerson (608-996-2152). Luncheon is \$10.00. Our unit will pay and registration fee is \$3.00 (payable at the door). If interested let me know. We will send a check.

April is Children and Youth month. A suggestion mentioned at the Dane County meeting was to send a box to Active Duty families. Suggested idea – to talk and ask families what they need.

Badger Girls State orientation will be 5/15/17 at Waunakee Post #360. Address is: 417 Main St. Contact person is Joyce Endres (608-221-1763).

Unit history is important. Our historian is Mary Fitzsimons. If you have pictures or articles to share, get them to Mary. Her phone number is 258-9690.

A kind lady from La Crosse sent me her ALA magazine with a letter. She is secretary for the Chaseburg auxiliary Unit #202. How kind of her! She enjoyed the picture of me reading to the kids at the library and said I should send a copy to son, Mike.

Dept Convention is July 13<sup>th</sup> through the 16<sup>th</sup> at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel in Appleton. More on that later.

VA Facilities are in need of Volunteers. If you can help stop by the VA in Madison or talk to Joe Hodgson from our Post. He could help you.

Heads up – Poppy Distribution on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Call Shelia Luhman if you can help.

One thing to keep in mind is the Iron Horse Cornet Band from Mazomanie of which our Treasurer, Carol Yttri, is a member. Joe Hodgson's brother, Ben, is also a member. They always have a concert in our Legion Park. This year, it will be Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. Here is a picture from last year.



### **Concert in the parks kick off with the Iron Horse Cornet Band**

On a wet Tuesday evening, June 13, the Iron Horse Cornet Band kicked off the 2016 Concerts in the Park presented by the Black Earth Area Chamber. Next week will be Midnight Rodeo with Eric Nofsinger. The concerts start at 6:30 p.m. Food will be available each week from area restaurants and non-profit organizations. Photo by Janelle Mathews.

Remember to "Soar for our Veterans".

#### **Volunteers needed to help with Poppies**

On Saturday, May. 13th, we will be at Terry's Piggly Wiggly to hand out Poppies and ask for donations. We need volunteers – 3 at each shift. 9am to 12pm and 12pm - 3 pm. Or whatever you can. We also need 4 people to help putting the poppies in envelopes, to put in the 245er. Possibly doing it on Wednesday, April 12th at 1:00pm, with Elvira at Milestone. Please contact Sheila Luhman at 214-500-7656 know if you can assist with our Poppy Project.

April Lunch Committee: Lisa Davis, Ann Eicher, Connie Faust, Joyce Phillips, Mary Jones, and Darlene Schulenberg

#### **Auxiliary scholarships:**

Scholarships are available from the American Legion Auxiliary Unit Post 245. The applicants need to have a member of the Auxiliary (not the Legion) as a sponsor in good standing to apply. Deadline to apply is May 1<sup>st</sup>.

All information can be obtained by calling Sandra Faust 219-7644 or emailing at [wbuschma@tds.net](mailto:wbuschma@tds.net).

Notifications: If you have a friend / relative that has passed and was an active member of the Auxiliary, please let us know. You can contact Joan Runk (798-1416), Pat Cady (798-2352), Sheila Luhman (798-2451) or Debby Niebuhr (798-4178). We like to know so that we honor them at one of our meetings. We will also be involved at the funeral services if the family would like.

#### **Son's of The American Legion**

**Kevin Boehnen**

##### **Monthly Meeting**

Monthly meeting will be held on April 20th.

##### **Pancake Breakfast**

Thank you to Noel Sarbacker, Rock Sarbacker, Lorin Sarbacker, Steve Sarbacker and Tim McNeil who were able to assist us and make this event successful.

##### **Ray Faust Scholarship**

The Son's Of the American Legion Post 245 annually gives out a scholarship in memory of Ray Faust. Everyone in the surrounding area is eligible to apply for this scholarship. As always we encourage sons and daughters and grandsons and granddaughters of Legion, Auxiliary and SAL members to apply. If you know any good candidates from the surrounding communities also encourage them to apply.

If you are interested in applying for the Ray Faust SAL Scholarship of \$500.00 please contact Ron Faust at 2129 Caesar St Cross Plains, WI 53528, 798-2292 or by e-mail [ronaldfaust@yahoo.com](mailto:ronaldfaust@yahoo.com). We would like all applications turned in by May 1st.

##### **Flags**

If you need a flag please contact Rod Faust at 798-3535.