

The 245er
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CROSS PLAINS-MIDDLETON AMERICAN LEGION

Kerl-Endres-Brannan

Post 245

February 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.

Post 245 Sick Call

Chaplin Pat Andreoni

Richard Williamson – Home	Herbert Niebuhr – Home	Bot Holtz – Home
Carl Lochner – Home	Paul Dull – Home	Ralph Schulenberg – Surgery / Home
Dan Meier – Home	Allen Ripp – Home	Sam Dalio – Home
John Helleckson – Home	Bob Luhman – Hospital	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.

Upcoming Events:

February	02 Lion’s Club	March	02 Lion’s Club
	07 4H Club		07 4H Club
	09 Boy Scouts Pack 87		09 Boy Scouts Pack 87
	16 Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg		16 Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg
	28 Model T Club		18 Hankel birthday party
			19 Pancake Breakfast
			28 Model T Club

Need to include something in the Newsletter? Please email Carol Yttri at 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

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

Commander's Message

Dan Cady

Dear Comrades:

Hope all is well with each and every one. Winter is moving on, I am taking a break from winter and enjoying some sun in California, working on the golf game, I need a lot of work.

By the time you read this, the Spaghetti dinner will be over, thanks to Pat Andreoni and all the workers and those who participated with a great meal.

Tom Foseid will be doing the Pancake Breakfast, please volunteer or show up to work a while if needed and enjoy a great breakfast and conversation with friends and neighbors.

We will be having elections in May, have your nominations ready for the April meeting. Then we will have the elections and induction of officers at the May meeting.

Hope for an early spring.

Frank Kooistra will be running the meetings in Feb & Mar. Thanks for stepping up Frank

Yours in Comradeship,
Commander Dan Cady
608 438 2987

REGULAR MEETING January 19, 2017

Meeting was called to order by Commander Cady at 7:35 PM.

Motion was made by Gene Schmitz and 2nd by Howard Hill to accept the minutes from the November meeting as written in the 245er. Passed.

Executive Minutes from the November meeting were read. Motion by Jerry Boehnen and 2nd by Dave Vidlock. Passed.

Guest were: Brian Lucas and Larry Landgrass.

Finance - Report was handed out and reviewed. Our finances are in good shape. Hall rentals and Income from it are up for 2016. Motion by Bill Statz and 2nd by Dave Vidlock to accept the report subject to audit. Passed.

Chaplin – Went over the list of members who are ill or recovering. Let Pat Andreoni know of anyone who is ill.

1st Vice - We are at 193 paid. Our goal is 224. Please get your dues in so we can reach 100%.

2nd Vice - Rentals are picking up. The Valley Archers Game feed is the 28th of Jan. Bars have been fully restocked. Torrill, Howards wife is doing a great job with the Hall rentals.

SAL – Gave his report. Full report will be in the news letter. A BIG THANKS to the SAL for all they do for the Post.

Americanism - All things in order, just waiting for the schools to get names of students.

Children & Youth – NR

Athletics – NR

Post Service – NR

Community Service - Norm Esser Jr. gave us a report on his visit to Park School. The Kids created a slide show presentation on Vets and the Military. They raised over \$300 for Vet. Causes. The money was donated to Camp American Legion.

Public Relations – Still learning the job. Have put in articles on the Viet Nam 50th Anniversary Commemorative as well as our upcoming Spaghetti Dinner. If you have something you want to put in the local paper about the Post or Legion please get the article to Ed Pelowsky.

Old Business - Dave Vidlock reported that for the 2016 year the Post recycled 127,440 pounds of metal or just under 64 tons. Thanks to all that donated and to all who helped load and deliver to the recycling center.

New Business – Spaghetti Dinner is Sunday January 29th. The Pancake Breakfast will be March 19, 2017.

Gene Schmitz for Joe Hodgeson made a motion to donate \$200 to the VA. 2nd by Toni Bayer. Passed.

Good of the Legion - Bill Statz the fruit basket are a great project. Sure put a smile on his wife face when she got hers.

Rodney Faust was present to give a \$2000 donation to the Legion and Auxiliary. The donation was from Rodney and his 3 sisters for their parents.

Ken Saeman's daughter Jean Wesolowski donated \$250 on behalf of her dad.

Ballets for voting for Legionnaire of the year we passed out. There were 9 nominees that the Executive Board submitted. Ed Pelowsky was selected. (from Ed – Thanks for this honor and a big thank you to the other 8 Legionnaires for all they do for the Post)

Kitty - Dan Cady (donated it back to the Post)

50 -50 Dan Cady (donated back to Post)

Brandy – Don Sprang

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ed Pelowsky, adjutant

Auxiliary Newsletter

President Joan Runk

Happy Valentine's Day Ladies! It seems as though we always have something to celebrate. The Spaghetti Dinner went well. Many thanks to all who worked. I had planned to work but I caught some kind of bug and could not help.

Coming up in March is the Pancake Breakfast. It's March 19th. This event is also a "Legion Family" (Legion, Auxiliary and SAL) gathering. Will need everyone's help again. It's important because we will not have a World's Fair this summer so these are important fund raisers for the Post.

My mailbox has been full of Thank You's from grateful VA Hospitals, etc. Especially from Sue Hembrook who is a Representative of the Kenosha Outreach (Dayton Residential). Sue wrote a special note saying that her great grandparents were John & Christine boehnen from Cross Plains. Her address is Salem, WI. Interesting.

Cross Plains lost another member of our community, Mary Barman. She has a number of children living in and around Cross Plains. Karen, my daughter, and I delivered a fruit basket to her the week before Christmas. (I did write this in the January newsletter.) She got the 245er from her daughter in law, Karen. Karen is Betty Kemp's daughter. Betty was a Past President of our Auxiliary.

Keeping you all up to date. Elvira Sarbacker is at Attic Angel after o stay at the hospital. Shelia gave me her address. Elvira Sarbacker, Attic Angel Place, 8301 Old Sauk Rd, Middleton, WI 53562. She hopes to get back to Milestone soon.

Denise Rohan, Wisconsin's candidate for National Commander, is still in a wheel chair because of her broken heels. March 5th is a fundraiser at Darlington Post 214. Doors open at 10:00am – Food served from 11:00 to 1:00. Will have live music – bar open.

The 3rd District Holiday Party will be at Barneveld Post 433 February 18th. Doors open at 11:00 for Happy Hour. Must have reservations in by February 13th. Cost is \$13.00. Mail to Joe Hodgson, 5546 Blue Ridge Rd., Barneveld, WI 53507.

Mazomanie had the Dane Count meeting at Base Camp last Thursday, 1/26/17. I attended. Lots of Legionaires there but only 2 of us ladies, plus the officers for a total of 6. Not well attended. Sonny (Leo) Endres was there with his wife, Joyce, who is the Dane County President. She said Leo was having some tests done last Friday, Jan. 27th. The Base Camp made the food for supper. Very good.

Do remember your list of Volunteer hour for our meeting in February and March. All reports are due in by April 14th. It is so important.

See you at the February meeting!

Words of advice from Pam Andreoni: "Enjoy Life, this is not a dress rehearsal".

February Lunch Committee: Debby Niebuhr and Susan Nelson

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 1st.

Also there are scholarships available on the state level for Children of Warriors, Non-Traditional Students and to high school seniors going on to college. Deadline to apply for these is March 1st.

All information can be obtained by calling Sandra Faust 219-7644 or emailing at 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 February 16th.

Spaghetti Dinner

Was held on January 29st and I would like to thank those members who helped out in the kitchen. Thanks to Whitey Hillebrand, Paul Lochner, Brian Andreoni, Tim McNeil, Ed Pelowsky, Gene Stormer, Kim Statz, Kevin Boehnen, Bruce Schuman and Stan Nonn. This event was very 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. We would like all applications turned in by May 1st.

Flags

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