

*The 245er*  
**SERVING: the NATION - the VETERAN -  
the CROSS PLAINS & MIDDLETON COMMUNITIES**

**CROSS PLAINS-MIDDLETON AMERICAN LEGION**

**Kerl-Endres-Brannan**

**Post 245**

**January 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	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.

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**Upcoming Events:**

<b>January</b>	03 4H Club	<b>February</b>	02 Lion's Club
	05 Lion's Club		07 4H Club
	07 Zwettler X-mas		09 Boy Scouts Pack 87
	12 Boy Scouts Pack 87		16 Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg
	19 Legion, SAL Mtg		28 Model T Club
	22 Lions Cabinet meeting		
	28 Valley Archers Wild Game Feed		
	29 Spaghetti Dinner		
	31 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:

Happy New Year to all Legionnaires, Aux, and SAL.

Thank you to all who attended the Christmas get together, and help with delivery of 93 fruit baskets and Poinsettia.

I would like all Viet Nam Era Vets to forward this information to me:

1. Full Name
2. Rank
3. Where inducted
4. Where served
5. Dates of service

My email is [dcady@c21affiliated.com](mailto:dcady@c21affiliated.com) or 2210 Hickory St. Cross Plains, WI 53528.

Lastly, please note the Spaghetti Dinner will be January 29<sup>th</sup>. This is a great fund raiser for the Legion. Thank you in advance for your help.

Stay warm and have a great healthy January.

Yours in Comradeship,  
Commander Dan Cady  
608 438 2987

## **Community Caring Tree**

The meeting night of November 16<sup>th</sup> the amount of \$373.50 was collected for the Caring Tree. Thank you to all who donated that night and to all who sent money. This year we had 27 names submitted for a total of 77 adults and children. I am overwhelmed every year by the continuing generosity of the community. Thank you again and again for your donation. They are really appreciated by the recipients.

Barb Schutz, Coordinator of Community Caring Tree

## **Auxiliary Newsletter**

**President Joan Runk**

Here's hoping you had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year! Our "Legion Family" (Legion, Auxiliary and SAL) started out celebrating on our regular meeting night, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> with a wonderful potluck supper. Plenty of talk and fun and singing led by Dick Zwettler and John Hill and friends. We had a great turn out – even ran out of food! It was sooo good. I truly love Ed Pelowsky's Tom & Jerry's and Gen Kostecki and daughter Lisa's peanut brittle. They made Gene's mother's recipe. It was fantastic! Two days later, Dec 17<sup>th</sup>, was the fruit basket delivery. We had a great turn out of volunteers and Whitey had a wonderful lunch waiting for us when we got back to the Post. Thank you! All were so happy to see us and so grateful to receive the basket or flowers (Poinsettias). My daughter Karen and I had a good route. We got to visit with Elvira Sarbacker and see her beautifully decorated apartment. We had others at Milestone as well. Also saw Mary Barman, she was truly happy to see us. She said she loves fruit and never gets enough. She also enjoys receiving the 245er. Many thanks to Sheila Shultz and Barb Schutz for organizing the routes and collecting all the names. I have already received thank you notes from grateful people. It sure is a rewarding experience!

On to the next event. I was able to travel to Fort Knox, Kentucky for Christmas! My daughter, Karen, took me to my sons, Mike and his wife Nova's for a week. I took a tour of the base – they have a nice 3 bedroom house on base. The will be at Fort Knox for a couple of years and traveling back to Fort Bragg for duties every now and again. In fact he is there now, this week. Toured the grounds of the Patton Museum – couldn't go in because it was closed for Christmas. I didn't know this but Patton is buried in France with his men. In touring the base, went by the "gold". Was able to go to mid-night mass at St Christopher's which is off base at nearby Radcliff. It was wonderful! They sang Silent Night in 6 languages! English, German, Spanish, Korean, Tagalog and Chamorro. Amazing! Mike and Nova invited soldiers for Christmas dinner at their house. We cooked for 20 people. We had turkey and dressing, ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, squash, green bean casserole, braided bread – which is a recipe brought over from Germany by my great grandmother. They sure did like that! Of course – apple and pumpkin pies we made too. Sure had a good time! Mad you feel like you actually did something special – which we did. Mike gave his soldiers a lesson in carving a turkey.

REMINDER: No meeting for the Auxiliary in January.

Be prepared to work in for the Spaghetti Dinner on January 29<sup>th</sup>. The Spaghetti Dinner is a tradition. The Legion, Auxiliary and SAL all work together for this event.

Also, do bring your hours that you volunteer for the veterans, community etc. It is too hard for us to try to guess or multiply hours people work or donate. This year it will have to be a unified event to fill out these reports. Please help us!

March is the Pancake breakfast – also a fund raiser for the Post. Legion, Auxiliary and SAL all work together for this as well.

The Dane County meeting is at Mazomanie on January 27<sup>th</sup> at the “Base Camp” café in downtown Mazo. If you’d like to go with me – please call. Ben & Lou Hodgson, Joe Hodgson’s brother would love to see a good representation there. Especially from nearby Cross Plains. Let’s support them.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> District Christmas Part is Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>. Short meeting before the dinner. Chicken & swiss steak will be served. Cost is \$13.00 – doors open at 11:00 for “Happy Hour”. It’s at the Barneveld Post. Mail to Joe Hodgson, 5546 Blue Ridge Rd., Barneveld, WI 53507.

#### 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>.

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 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 January 19<sup>th</sup>.

##### Holiday Wishes

We hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We thank everyone for their work in serving our Veteran's, our Post and our community. We look forward to 2017 and making it a very prosperous year.

##### Fruit Baskets

Thank you to Dan Layton, Mike Greaney, Rod Faust, Dave Maier, Tom Hellickson and Kevin Boehnen who helped deliver fruit baskets on December 17<sup>th</sup>. Also to those who helped prepare the lunch with Whitey Hillebrand.

##### Thank You for helping in the Kitchen

During the last three months we have been busy serving food. Thank you to everyone who helped out at the following events Motor Cross Dinner, American Legion Drawdown, Thanksgiving Dinner and lunch for those who delivered the fruit baskets.

##### In Memory of Jonathon "Jon" L Eversoll

I am sad to report that we lost one of our members Jonathon "Jon" L Eversoll on December 4<sup>th</sup> at the age of 27. Jon's father David is also a member of the SAL.

Our condolences go out to his parents David and Charlotte Eversoll of Plateville, sister Nicole Ashley Tyc, brother-in-law Matthew, grandmother Rita Eversoll and along with Jon's two children Maci Lee Ann (5) and Lilliona Eliane (4).

Please keep Jon's family in your prayers at this difficult time in their lives.

##### Spaghetti Dinner

Will be coming upon January 29<sup>th</sup>, please volunteer to help cook and serve those who come to eat. If interested see Pat, Whitey or myself.

##### Flags

If you need a flag you can give Rod Faust a call at 798-3535.