

*The 245er*  
**SERVING: the NATION - the VETERAN -  
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**CROSS PLAINS-MIDDLETON AMERICAN LEGION**

**Kerl-Endres-Brannan**

**Post 245**

**June 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
Dan Meier – Home	Allen Ripp – Home	Sam Dalio – Home
John Helleckson – Home	Bob Luhman – Home	Albert Oleson – Nursing Home
Frank Tony Bayer – Home		

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>June</b>		<b>July</b>	
01	Lion’s Club	01	Andrew Diebold reception
03	Cole Connolly graduation	06	Lion’s Club
05	Legion Golf outing	08	Brian Martens sons Grad & going to service party
10	Tom & Gina Acker grad party	14	Camping for Ice Age Trail
11	Schroeder family reunion	15	Robert Holtz Celebration of Life
12	Iron Horse Cornet Band Concert	20	Legion, SAL Mtg
15	Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg	22	Aisha family party
17	Thompson graduation party	25	Model T Club
24	Doris Maier family gathering	27	Spaghetti Supper – Swim Team
25	Joyce Phillips HS graduation	29	John Dahlk / Class Reunion
27	Model T Club	30	Swim Team Celebration

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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	Ed Pelowsky	798-4253
AUXILIARY PRESIDENT	Carol Yttri	798-4950
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****Ed Pelowsky**

Hi,

I am Ed Pelowsky your new Post Commander. First a big Thank you to Dan Cady and his leadership. I hope I can do as good of a job.

I've been a resident of Cross Plains since 1975 and a member of the Legion since 2000. I've held the positions of 2nd Vice and Adjutant. I've also was on our Memorial Committee and served on our Honor Guard. I also have one of our flag routes. I am also a member of our Post SAL squadron. My service to my country was with the US Navy from 1960 to 1966 with my Active Duty service being from July 1962 to July 1964.

We have a good Post and with your help we will continue that tradition.

I hope all of you had a great Memorial Day. See you at the next Post meeting June 15th.

Ed Pelowsky, Commander

**Additional Notes:**

- If you have metal to recycle, you can drop off at the legion or give, Dan Cady a call and we will pick up. 608 438 2987 or, 608 798 2352. You can also call Dave Vidlock 608 798 3087 or 608 843 6968.
- We have access to a power lift recliner that is free to anyone interested please contact me Dan Cady 608 798 2352 or 608 438 2987. It has had new controls installed recently.

**REGULAR MEETING May 18, 2017**

Meeting was called to order by Commander Cady at 7:32 PM.

Motion was made by Jim Albertson to accept the minutes as printed in 245er. 2nd by Jerry Boehnen. Passed.

New Quest. Dwight Zweifel introduced Trudy whose father was a WWII Vet. Also potential new member Pete Zenz was introduced.

**Finance** – Report was passed out and reviewed. Our finances are strong. Motion by Dick Cashwell to accept the report subject to Audit. 2nd by Pat Andreoni. Passed.

**Chaplain** – went over the Memorial Day program and Activities. Dennis Heiliger is recovering from a leg injury. Lee Mayrack is also recovering from a leg injury. Norm Esser, Jr. is in the process of getting ready to deploy overseas somewhere.

**1st. Vice** - We are at 216 Paid. 11 to go by June 30th. For those 11 please get you dues in. Bill stated the float is lined up to carry those members who want to be in the parade, but aren't able to March.

**2nd Vice** – NR

**3rd Vice** - Have had our lawn treated for weeds. Not sure how it is working. Will be having Weed man treat the lawn later this summer.

**SAL** – NR

**Americanism** – All things taken care of for Boys State.

**Children and Youth** – NR

**Athletics** – Golf outing is June 5th. Contact Dan Cady if you want to golf or are willing to help either at the course or back at the Post.

**Community Service** – Metal is still coming in. Prices are slowly rising but are still below previous years.

**Post Service** – VA Town Meeting will be at the Headquarters June 26th. There will also be one June 1st in Madison. So far we will have use of the Haack for Memorial Day.

**PR** – NR

**Old Business** – NR

**New Business** – The Middleton VFW would like to have our rifle squad for the July 22 unveiling of their Veterans Memorial

**Good of the Legion** – Dick Zwettler – We will put out flags at the Cemeteries Tuesday May 23. Meet at the Post at 10 AM.

Dwight Zweifel and some others were doing electrical work. Thanks to all.

Jerry Boehnen mentioned seeing an article about a memorial for Buddy Schroeder at Badger Camp. Jerry made a motion to donate \$1000 to this memorial. 2nd by Jim Albertson. Passed.

Installation of 2 new Officers took place. Dennis Heiliger was installed as Adjutant. Ed Pelowsky was installed as our new Commander. Retiring Commander Dan Cady was thanked for his service to the Post.

Ed Pelowsky then took over the meeting.

Kitty – Bill Statz \$25 donated to golf outing.

50–50 – Gene Schmitz

Brandy – Gene Schmitz, donated to golf outing

Meeting was adjourned about 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ed Pelowsky, adjutant

### **Auxiliary Newsletter**

### **Past President Joan Runk**

Last month you read Dan Cady's last letter as Commander of Post 245. This month you will be reading my last newsletter.

First of all, I must thank two special ladies in our auxiliary. First off, Darlene Schulenberg, a Past President of our auxiliary, for our conducting the April and May Meetings. No easy task – she had to get the Dane Co meeting organized and get a whole slate of officers, Memorial Day and poppies. Another very special lady, Ginny Faust, Past President and Past President of our State of Wisconsin, installed our officers. She is a very talented and loyal member of our auxiliary. Very classy – she inspired everyone at the meeting. Our new slate of officers are:

- President: Carol Yttri
- Vice President: Karen Runk
- Secretary (appointed by Carol Yttri): Kate Walsh Bratton
- Treasurer: Susan Hutton
- Chaplain: Pat Cady
- Sgt of Arms: Sheila Luhman and Cheryl Kelter
- Membership chair: Deb Niebuhr
- Historian: Mary Fitzsimmons

My daughter showed me her bag of dried flowers Ginny made with her flowers from Mother's Day. What a wonderful idea! So generous of her. They smelled wonderful.

Dan, you have done a wonderful job as Commander. Thank you!!

I understand we had a record number of members from our Unit attending the Dane Co meeting – 15!! Thank you ladies, we can be very proud. I'm sure Joyce Endres was a happy camper!

Memorial Day went well! I could not go – hopefully next year will go better for me. Daughter Karen went to the cemeteries, parade and the service at the memorial. She had good luck distributing poppies at the Chicken BBQ. Daughter Katie marched and attended the service at the memorial as well. She brought chicken home for me to enjoy with her. She looked after me well.

Karen said the best thing at the Spring Conference was the presentation of the "Quilts of Valor". She was very impressed! She spoke of it at the May meeting. Also at the Spring Conference, Florence Wasley presented Karen with the certificates of appreciation for 30+ years belonging to the auxiliary. We still have a bunch to deliver. We may have to deliver some by mail.

Our Badger State Girls went to their orientation at Waunakee Post #360.

Badger Honor Flight was a huge success. Our Cross Plains SAL presented the colors at their return.

Consider going to King on Father's Day for the Chicken BBQ in the park, on June 18<sup>th</sup>. They always have a parade and music in the park. Very nice, Ralph and I went there one year and took Gene Stormer's dad to the BBQ. He loved it!

We received our final World's Fair check of \$1,915. Carol deposited the check in our account.

At the Dane Co meeting, Joyce Endres, Dane Co President asked Cross Plains to host an ALA Conference in the fall. Carol Yttri accepted – it will be in Sept at Post #245. More on that later.

State Convention July 12-16<sup>th</sup> in Appleton. It will be held at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel.

Don't forget to attend the Iron Horse Cornet Band concert on Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at the shelter at our Legion.

In closing, thanks again for your support these past 11 years as your President. I will not disappear. I will still help all I can. Just think Debbie – you have another lunch committee member!

Upcoming event at ALA Unit 481

ALA Unit 481 will be hosting their Annual .01k marathon. Yes – that's correct, .01k. It will be held on August 26<sup>th</sup>. It starts at 2pm with the race at 3pm. Dogs will race at 3:30. There will also be other food and fun. Race entry is \$15 and includes a T-shirt. All proceeds go to Wisconsin Veterans Programs. Music will be by Bird Trax. Unit 481 is located at 5337 W River Rd, Waunakee, WI.

June Lunch Committee: Sheila Luhman, Dodo and Jaye Capel, Janel Kruchten, and Betty Mielke

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**

No report this month.

**Kevin Boehnen**