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

#### CROSS PLAINS-MIDDLETON AMERICAN LEGION

Kerl-Endres-Brannan **Post 245** 

#### March 2019

#### 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 Chaplain Pat Andreoni

Paul Dull – Home Dan Meier – Home Richard Williamson – Home Allen Rip – Home Sam Dalio – Home John Helleckson – Home Bob Luhman – Home Albert Oleson – Nursing Home Dick Zwettler – Home

Frank Bayer – Home

I ask that everyone remembers these members that are going thru health problems. 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.

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

# Upc

March	07 Lions Club	April	04 Lions Club
	17 Pancake Breakfast		06 Sattersten Rental
	21 Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg		13 CP Riders Event
	23 Cutler Rental		18 Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg
	26 Model T Club		30 Model T Club
	30 Moser Rental		
******	***********	******	**********

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 Howard Hill at 608-977-2105 or email hillrdkng2112@hotmail.com

Someone ill or in the hospital? Call Pat Andreoni at 798-3844 or e-mail 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

## Commander's Message

**Ed Pelowsky** 

I hope everyone has survived all the different weather February has thrown at us. Speaking of the weather. A big thanks to Geno for keeping our sidewalks and entry ways cleared of snow.

Just a reminder March 17<sup>th</sup> is our annual Pancake Breakfast. Any help you can give is welcome. If you can't help come and have a great breakfast.

Again this Post goes because of you. So consider stepping up to do what you can to help the Post going forward.

Keep those currently serving in your thoughts and prayers. Ed Pelowsky, Commander

# Metal drop off:

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.

## **REGULAR MEETING February 21, 2019**

Meeting was called to order by Commander Pelowsky at 7:35 p.m.

Corrections to the Executive meeting has been made over the dates for the spaghetti dinner and the pancake breakfast. Also, Jim Diebold will be helping Gary with his flag route. A motion to accept the executive minutes as corrected was made by Emily second was Gary.

A motion to accept the minutes as posted in the 245eer was made by John Hill, second was Gary.

Members of the Madison Motorcycle club were present to at our meeting to thank us for our help with their annual gathering and donated \$1,000.00 to the legion. They now have been doing this for 11 years and growing. The last ride had 350 riders participate.

FINANCE: Lee passed out his report and went over income and expenses. A motion to accept the report pending audit was made by Joe, second was Bill motion passed by vote.

CHAPLIN: Pat mentioned there has not been any recent funerals and that Dick Zwettler fell on the ice but has been up and about.

1<sup>st</sup> VICE: Bill has our paid membership at 197 and we need to get to 224 to reach 100% again this year.

SAL: Kevin went over the check book of the SAL and brought us up to date on events. They currently have 100% paid membership. Along with their regular activities like the spaghetti meal, pancake breakfast, May steak meal, and November turkey meal for they will be working with Tom to help more at our regular meetings.

3<sup>rd</sup> VICE: Ted mentioned that all our plumbing will be done soon, and we need new gutters and downspouts. POST SERVICE OFFICER: Joe mentioned some of the posts were lax on observing the CUTTING THE COLORS code. So once a meeting has been started no one goes in front of the colors during an active meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Ed went over the thank you's we received and mentioned we are still looking for a second vice and a Chaplin. Pat reminded everyone of the pancake breakfast March 17<sup>th</sup>, and we are planning an open house, so we need ideas for that. Kevin mentioned that Jim Albertsons wife passed away and the SAL provided flowers. They also will provide flowers for advisors. Ed mentioned again that we will be planning an open

2

house for the village. We will have the police to a presentation of ID theft, fraud and scams. The AUX will provide hors d'oeuvres or something.

GOOD OF THE LEGION: Joe mentioned that the week of Feb 10-16 was a salute to the hospitalized veterans. During the week there were daily events for the veterans such as ice cream sundaes, blanket give away, candy guessing contest. Joe also mentioned that CVSV Dan Connery would come to our post again if we requested.

KITTY: No winner 50/50: Don Strang

BRANDY: Joe Hodgeson

Respectfully submitted Dennis Heiliger, Adjutant

# **Auxiliary Newsletter**

**President Carol Yttri** 

March sure did enter like a lion. Hope we're about to the end of that weather. On a positive side, it provided the snowmobilers more time to get out on the trails. I however, needed a break from it. My husband and I went to Key West at the end of February. It was absolutely wonderful weather – just what we needed.

We had a couple of members pass away recently; Bea Bower and Cindy Albertson. Our sincere sympathy to the families. And thanks to those that were able to make it to the funerals. Much appreciated.

At the February meeting, we voted that that Auxiliary will purchase some new coffee carafe's (dispensers). I will be working to get those in time for the Pancake Breakfast.

Speaking of the Pancake Breakfast, it's scheduled for Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. We'll need a few people to help with the event. I have a few already and will be calling / emailing some others to help with cleaning tables etc. If nothing else, please support the Legion and stop by to enjoy the great food.

I want to let you know about an event the Legion is starting to organize (as mentioned in their minutes above). They are partnering with the Cross Plains police to do a presentation covering fraud, identity theft and scams. They are currently thinking they will do it on a non-meeting evening and open it up to the public. I volunteered the Auxiliary to provide hors d'oeuvres / munchies. I'll provide more details when I get them.

We will be taking nominations for officers in March. We'll finalize nominations and voting in April and the installation of new officers will happen in May. Please consider stepping up. It's a 2 year commitment and goes by fast.

I'd also like to put in a plug for membership. Please think about signing up your daughters, step-daughters, grandchildren, great grandchildren, etc. This is a great organization and we'd love to have them be part of it. You can contact Debby Niebuhr at 798-4178.

The Third District Spring Conference will be held on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> in Dodgeville. It will be at the High School. Registration deadline is Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. All members are welcome. I have the sign up form. We have 2 members already signed up so if you're interested, let me know.

## Auxiliary scholarship:

Scholarships are available to children, step children, grandchildren, step grandchildren for Auxiliary members. Please contact Sandra Faust at <a href="wbuschma@tds.net">wbuschma@tds.net</a>, or call 1-608-219-7644 if you have any questions. Scholarships can be picked up, mailed or emailed to people that are interested in applying. Deadline to apply is May 1<sup>st</sup>.

<u>Notifications</u>: If you have a friend / relative that has passed and was an active member of the Auxiliary, please let us know. You can contact Carol Yttri (798-4950), 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 March 21st.

#### Pancake Breakfast

Will be held on March 17th and I am sure Tom would like some help in the kitchen usually serve between 8:00 and 12:30. If you like to work in the kitchen or help serve or clean tables we never turn down help. Let us help out 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, 608 225 7281 or by e-mail <a href="mailto:ronaldfaust@reagan.com">ronaldfaust@reagan.com</a>. We would like all applications turned in by May 1st.

## Flags

If you need a flag please contact Rod Faust at 608 576 4803.