

The 245er
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CROSS PLAINS-MIDDLETON AMERICAN LEGION

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Post 245

March 2020

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

Richard Williamson – Home	Paul Dull – Home	Dan Meier – Home
Tom Foseid – Home	Sam Dalio – Home	John Helleckson – Home
Albert Oleson – Nursing Home	Norm Esser – Home	

Please keep all these members in your thoughts and prayers as they continue to recover from their conditions.

Upcoming Events:

March	05 Lions Club	April	02 Lions Club
	08 Lions Club		16 Legion, SAL, Aux Mtg
	14 Wedding - Dresel		18 Zweifel b-day party
	19 Legion, SAL, Aux Mtg		26 Acker/Maier wedding shower
	31 Model T Club		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 Pat Andreoni at 798-3844 or email at jpandreo@aol.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	Karen Runk	415-2001
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

March 29th will be National Vietnam War Veterans Day. I want to thank all the Vietnam War Era veterans and in particular those of our members who served in country during this major War. An Extra thank you to the families of those who did not make it back.

THANKS FOR SERVING

Post 245 will again be giving Scholarships out this year. We will be giving 2 \$1,000 Scholarships through Middleton High School. Students should contact the school administration about these. Our Post will be giving 2 additional Scholarships of \$1,000. Contact Ed Pelowsky, 1-608-798-4253 or Pat Andreoni at 1-608-798-3844 to get an application. Thanks to a donation by Mary Ann Adler another \$1,000 Scholarship will be given away. Again Contact either Ed Pelowsky or Pat Andreoni at the above numbers to get an application. The application forms for the 3 Scholarships being presented by the Post must be in no later than May 1, 2020.

I know it is early but, it is time for members to start thinking about stepping up to be Officers in our Post. Formal nominations will be at the April meeting. Openings will be Commander, Chaplin, 2nd Vice Commander, 3rd Vice Commander and Possibly Adjutant.

On Sunday March 15th we will be having our annual Pancake Breakfast.

If you know a Veteran who is not a member of our Post I would encourage you to invite them to come to one of our meetings as your guest. We are always in need of new members.

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.

Note from Barb Schutz & Sheila Schultz

It is never too late to say THANK YOU. About 30 people came to deliver 52 fruit baskets and 24 poinsettia plants. WOW what a turnout! I received phone calls and thank you notes from first time recipients who were overwhelmed by this gift. A THANK YOU also goes out to Whitey Hillebrand and crew for a great lunch.

The Caring Tree also brought lots of joy to a total of 23 less fortunate people. A BIG THANK YOU to all who donated to this worthwhile cause.

For the next delivery we are thinking about having breakfast at 9am instead of a lunch. Whitey has agreed to making breakfast. Then onto Piggly Wiggly at 10am for pickup of baskets and plants for delivery.

Thank you all for bringing joy to these recipients, Barb Schutz and Sheila Schultz

REGULAR MEETING February 20, 2020

Meeting was called to order at 7:14 p.m.

A motion to accept the Executive meeting as read was made by Tony, second was Emily and the motion passed by vote.

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes as printed in the 245er was made by Dick Z, second was John Hill and the motion passed by vote.

Emily sponsored a potential member tonight; his name is Brian and he is a Navy veteran. We hope he will consider joining post 245.

FINANCE: Lee passed out his financial report and went over the income and expenses to date. A motion was made to accept the report pending audit by John Hill and the second was Dick Z. The motion passed by vote.

CHAPLIN: Pat went over sick call and status including Tom who has some health issues and will not be able to continue cooking or historian duties for now.

1ST VICE: Bill brought us up to date on membership. Currently we have 187 out of 212.

2nd VICE: The pancake breakfast will be \$8.00 and will be held on Sunday March 15, 2020.

3rd VICE: Lee mentioned we had a new door installed downstairs by the bar entrance. The work needed in the parking lot will not be done till spring and warmer weather.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Ed is going to get articles in the paper for the pancake breakfast and the scholarship applications. This year we will be giving away 3 scholarships to high school students furthering their education.

NEW BUSINESS: Ed mentioned that Roger Frey will be willing to be the 2nd Sargent at Arms and will work with Dick Zwettler. A motion was made to donate \$ 250.00 to the Middleton Outreach Ministries or MOM by John Hill and second was Dick Z. The motion passed by vote. Also, Ed mentioned that the new baseball jerseys are now on order.

GOOD OF THE LEGIPON: Nominations for 2nd vice, 3rd vice, Chaplin historian, and Commander are open so please get them to Ed. Also, if there is another officer position someone wants to be considered for please indicate that and you will be on the ballot.

Ed then presented 6 continuous membership awards to the following members:

DANIEL COLVIN 70 yrs.

ALLEN FOUST 50yrs

PAUL SHIVELER 50yrs

CARL SHUMAKER 50yrs
WM STATZ 50yrs
DICK ZWETTLER 50yrs National headquarters sent them all a nice certificate.

50/50/ EMILY
BRANDY LEE MAYRACK
KITTY NO WINNER

Respectfully submitted
Dennis Heiliger, Adjutant

Auxiliary Newsletter

President Karen Runk

With March brings the hope of spring, the end of our ALA reports and taxes... woo hoo!! Ok, so 2 out of 3 isn't bad! Speaking of taxes... did you know that your hours, dollars and miles are deductible? If you're able to itemize due to a mortgage or other reasons, your ALA efforts qualify as charitable donations. Come to the meeting and I'll share with you how this can be done for this or next tax season!

In addition to this tax share, we will be reporting the conclusion of the Camp American Legion (CAL) project and finalizing volunteer sheets for reporting. You will want to make notes of your volunteer hours, miles and monetary contributions before the meeting. Don't worry about what category to put it in or if it was previously recorded, we will be assisting y'all with adding your work to the unit report. Put your thinking caps on because we have to recreate last March & April. If you cannot make the meeting, email your info to Kate Walsh or myself. TOGETHER, we have done some AMAZING work!! There will be door prizes and possibly a raffle item. If the unit shirts are done, I will bring them and ask you for your check. WATCH your email.... See y'all there!!

MARCH – APRIL EVENTS

REMINDER: The applications for Department & National Scholarships are due **March 1st** to Sandra Faust or myself, don't miss out on these opportunities.

REMINDER: The NEW Department of Wisconsin Americanism & Government Scholarship test for those in 10, 11 & 12th grades is available from **March 9th to 20th**. Students can win \$250-\$750. Forms will be available on line (americanlegionauxwi.org), don't hesitate to ask me about this contest!

March 19th 245 Meeting at 7:15pm, dinner at 6:15pm. **Americanism Essays due at Unit 245**, please have your entries and essays ready to review at the March 245 meeting.

April 16th 245 Meeting at 7:15pm, dinner at 6:15pm.

April 25th 3rd District Spring Conference @ Darlington.

March Lunch Committee: Flo Bayer, Marilyn Sagmoen and Bernie Harrington

Auxiliary scholarship:

Scholarships are available to family members of the Auxiliary. Applications are due May 1st. Please contact Sandra Faust at 608-219-7644 or wbuschma@tds.net, for information.

Son's of The American Legion

Kevin Boehnen

Monthly Meeting

Monthly meeting will be held on March 18th.

Pancake Breakfast

Will be held on March 15th and I am sure the Legion 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 ronaldfaust@reagan.com. We would like all applications turned in by May 1st.

Flags

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

St. Patrick's Day
Pancake Breakfast
and Bake Sale

Sunday, March 15, 2020

American Legion Hall
Cross Plains

Serving 8:00 Until 12:30

\$8 All You Can Eat
Children 8 & Under – \$4.00

