

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

CROSS PLAINS-MIDDLETON AMERICAN LEGION

Kerl-Endres-Brannan

Post 245

May 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

Richard Williamson – Home

Paul Dull – Home

Dan Meier – Home

Allen Rip – Home

Sam Dalio – Home

John Helleckson – Home

Albert Oleson – Nursing Home

I ask that everyone remembers these members that are going thru health problems. Please keep these members in your thoughts and prayers.

Upcoming Events:

May		June	
	02 Lions Club		01 Aegerter Rental
	11 Brunner event		02 Thompson Graduation
	16 Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg		05 Moser Going Away Party
	18 Vallejos Rental		06 Lions Club
	18 LePage Rental		07 Hosking Rental
	28 Model T Club		08 Kimberly Rental
			09 Statz Graduation
			15 Dalhke Graduation
			16 Gessler Rental
			16 Kruchten Rental
			20 Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg
			22 Wahlgren Rental
			25 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 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**

May is the month we pay tribute to all the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their country.

We will start the day off with a breakfast at our Post and then will head out to the various local cemeteries to honor those who served and are resting there. This will be followed by a parade and a program at our Veterans Memorial.

In the 40 some years I've lived in Cross Plains it has always amazed me at the support this community has given to those who have served and especially to those who gave their lives so that the rest of us could enjoy the freedoms we so cherish.

See you Memorial Day
Ed Pelowsky, Commander

Note from Dan Cady:

Dear Comrades,

Some info you may be interested in:

1. The flag crews will start posting the flags again on Memorial Day. If interested in having a flag posted at your business or home in Cross Plains please contact me
2. Golf Outing will be Monday June 3rd. I could use Golfers and Volunteer workers. Please call or email me if this would work for you. 608 438 2987
3. Our Commander had hip surgery on the 18th wishing him a good and steady recovery.
4. Metal recycling is picking up if you would be interested in helping when available please contact Dave Vidlock or myself.
5. Please make plans to participate in Memorial Day functions at Legion.

Yours in Comradeship
Dan

Memorial Day parade info:

We will again have the float/wagon to ride. Seats 30, so room for all Legionnaires, Auxiliary and SAL who aren't able to march. Load up at the Legion at 10:40, we then drive to Park School (start of parade route). Or, load up at Park School until start of parade at 11:00.

We invite all able Legionnaires to march in the parade with the Legion unit. Meet at Park School, parade steps off at 11:00. Uniform not required, but if you can, wear a white shirt, grey slacks, black shoes, and Legion cap. A Legion baseball cap, or other "veteran" cap can work also.

Hope to see you at the parade, either march or ride!
Bill Statz
1st Vice 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 April 18, 2019

Meeting was called to order by acting commander Dan Cady at 8:12 p.m.

A motion to accept the minutes as printed in the 245er was made by Joe, second was Dick motion passed by vote. A motion to accept the minutes of the executive meeting as read was made by Ted, second was Pat.

FINANCE: Lee went over the current financial report for income and expenses. A motion to accept the report pending audit was made by Geno and second was Emily, motion passed by vote.

CHAPLIN: Pat mentioned member Tom Stout passed away from a stroke, commander Pelowski is recovering from hip surgery and there are 4 funerals soon.

1ST VICE: Emily brought us up to date on our paid membership goal. We have 206 paid and need 18 more to reach 100% again this year.

2ND VICE: No report.

3rd VICE: Ted brought us up to date on all our ongoing projects. Plumbing upstairs still needs final faucet installed. We did pass the health inspection and it is scheduled to be done very soon. He gave us the 2 quotes for gutters and covers for the building and garage. A motion was then made by Pat, second was Tony that we

use Madison Aluminum and motion passed by member vote. We also need to get quotes for fencing around the metal recycling area. Ted presented the needed information for the members to decide who our internet provider will be. A motion was made to use TDS by Joe, second was Pat and the motion passed member voting. There will be a 3-year contract, \$ 213.00 per month and our WIFI will be all over the building along with working with the ATM upstairs.

SAL: No report.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH: Our post is donating \$ 200.00 to the National children and youth program at National.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Dave mentioned and wants to thank Eric Acker for donating a car to us. He also mentioned if you or someone you know has an old vehicle to call All Metal recycling and they will come and get it. You should have the title available when they take the car.

OLD BUSINESS: None brought up.

NEW BUSINESS: Denise Rohan was here to present Dan Cady with his 50-year membership award. She also mentioned that she is going to put our post in the National Post excellence award for our response to the community during the flood.

POST SERVICE OFFICER: Joe mentioned on March 29th the VA hospital held a Remembrance Day. A tree was provided for veteran's families and friends at a program held in the auditorium. March 29, 1973 was the last day the United States had forces in Viet Nam.

GOOD OF LEGION: Tony Bayer said he and Mike Shanahan will get the weapons cleaned prior to Memorial Day events. Mike also mentioned the senior center is proposing a Vets helping Vets with a bus trip to the Memorial in Neillsville. Please contact Mike if you're interested in going

50/50 Dick Zwettler

Brandy: Patrick

Kitty: No winner

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Dennis Heiliger, Adjutant

Auxiliary Newsletter

President Carol Yttri

Hello everyone. We have a busy month ahead us. We have our meeting on Thursday, May 16th. We will be finalizing nominations for officers and installing them. Unless something changes between now and then, Karen Runk will be President, Karla Krajewski will be Vice President, I will be Treasurer, Pat Cady will be Chaplain, Sheila Luhman and Cheryl Kelter will be Sgt at Arms. And I believe Karen asked Katie if she would continue on with Secretary duties. If you're an officer, please be at the meeting for installation.

The next May item is the Dane County meeting. We will be hosting the meeting on Thursday, May 23rd. We'll need help with food and kitchen help / cleanup. We want to show Dane County that we are still the best hostesses! Stoughton had the March meeting and had 14 members in attendance. In 2016 our record attendance was 15. Let's do that again! Please plan on coming help with the dinner and attend a short meeting.

Our last activity for the month of May is, of course, Memorial Day. As Commander Ed mentioned, May is the month we pay tribute to all the men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their country. Please show your support of these people by participating in this important day. There are several ways you can participate. You can come to breakfast, accompany everyone on the visits to the cemeteries, participate in the parade, attend the memorial program after the parade or enjoy friends and family in the Legion Park after the memorial program. (Kevin included times for breakfast, etc in the SAL section below.) Bill Statz is getting the wagon for people who prefer to ride instead of march. See information from him above. The Statz family would like a few people to help decorate the wagon for the Memorial Day parade so if you're able to come a little early and help with that, it would be much appreciated.

We will host some special guests at our June meeting (June 20th)! Please join us in meeting members of the VA Hospital psychology group, the Cover Me organization and Canines for Veterans. These organizations are working together to serve veterans struggling with suicide and other mental health issues. Mental health is affecting military families in so many ways. Veterans have protected our way of life, it's time to help protect our veterans!! Feel free to invite veterans that are not members to this meeting. We will have an abbreviated meeting as time permits

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 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.

Monthly Meeting

Monthly meeting will be held on May 16th. We will be providing a Steak Dinner for our Post 245 family. If you are able to help cook, wash dishes or clean up the kitchen it would be appreciated.

Memorial Day May 27th

We hope to see many members observe this holiday. Breakfast will be served at the Legion Hall 7:00 AM, visit to Cemeteries be at the legion by 7:30 AM. Will be meeting at 10:45 AM to march in the parade and participating in the Memorial Day Program.

Flags

If you need a flag you can give Rod Faust a call at 608 576 4803.

*** American Legion Post 245 Flag Scholarship ***

American legion post 245 has decided to add a 2 more scholarship from its Flag program. These scholarship will be for **\$1,000.00** and will go to any student that meets certain requirements. The student can be looking to attend a 4 year or 2 year college.

You may contact Ed Pelowski at 608 - 798 - 4253 or Pat Andreoni at 608 - 798 - 3844 to get an application form. If no answer please leave your name and number and someone will get back to you. This is open to everyone in the surrounding area to apply. We will be accepting applications till Tuesday May 15, 2019.

**Sponsored by CROSS PLAINS - MIDDLETON
AMERICAN LEGION POST 245**