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CROSS PLAINS-MIDDLETON AMERICAN LEGION

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Post 245

May 2021

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 – Nursing Home	John Hill – Home	Sam Daleo – Waunakee Nursing Home
Ralph Schulenberg – Home	Albert Oleson – Nursing Home	

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

Upcoming Events:

May		June	
06	Lions Club	03	Lions Club
20	Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg	04	Jim Albertson – shelter
22	Sharpe - Wedding	05	Fitzsimons
25	Model T Club	12	Stoecker - Graduation
		17	Legion, SAL, Auxiliary Mtg
		27	Nancy Yeager - upstairs
		29	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	Gary Itten	608-225-4722
AUXILIARY PRESIDENT	Karen Runk	608-415-2001
S.A.L. COMMANDER	Kevin Boehnen	608-798-2113

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

Gary Itten

With the start of summer coming up, it looks like we are coming back to a little normalcy.

Memorial Day is May 31st and is a day for honoring and mourning the military personnel who have died in the performance of their military duties while serving in the United States Armed Forces.

Post 245 will have our usual Memorial Day program. We will be going to the cemetery's at 8:00 A.M., a parade at 11:00 A.M. from Park School to the legion park and a program after the parade. See more info below about the parade from Bill Statz.

The SAL has generously volunteered to cook the meal for our May mtg. There will be an Executive Board mtg. at 5:30 P. M., dinner at 6:30 P.M. and the regular mtg. at 7:30P.M.

We will be hosting the Dane County Legion Mtg. Thursday May 27th, at 7 P.M.

Stay Safe & Healthy
Gary Itten, Commander, Post 245

Join us for our Memorial Day Parade!

Parade steps off at 11:00am from Park School, intersection of Park Street and Center Street.

We invite all Legionnaires who are able, to march in the Post unit in the parade. Meet at Park School at 10:45, parade steps off at 11:00. Uniform is white shirt (Legion shirt preferred), black slacks & shoes, and Legion cap. White shirts and caps are available for purchase at the Post.

If you prefer to ride, please join us on the "wagon"! Seats 30. Either meet at the Legion clubhouse at 10:35 and ride the wagon to Park School for the parade or meet at Park School and climb aboard any time before we step off at 11:00.

Any questions call Bill Statz, cell: 608-577-4002

PS: I will not be at the May meeting, will be in Waseca, MN, to award our scholarship we do each year. Emily may be back from deployment, so she could do 1st Vice report, etc.

Bill Statz

Members who have passed away since Memorial Day

Chaplain Pat Andreoni

John Fury-4/18/20	Norm Esser-6/28/20	Dan Meier-7/5/20	John Helleckson-8/20/20
Richard Williamson-9/24/20	Eugene Schmitz-12/6/20	John Dahlk-12/21/20	Tom Foseid-2/28/21

Please remember these members in your prayers who have left us over the last 12 months. I would like to make sure everyone keeps an eye on our Facebook page. We are going to have the parade on Memorial Day and program. The Lions are going to have their food trailer at the park and are hopefully going to have things going on.

Thank you,
Chaplain Pat Andreoni

Golf Outing:

Dear Comrades:

ATTENTION:

LET'S GO. IT'S TIME FOR THE GOLF OUTING: WE NEED GOLFERS AND LET'S HAVE SOME FUN!
Monday, Jun7th @ Deer Valley, Barneveld. Sign up as a single or get a partner or 4 some.

See the form included in the newsletter.
Dan Cady

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 15, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Commander Itten at 6:50 pm.

A motion to accept the Executive minutes as read was made by Dan, second was Dick and the motion passed by vote.

We had two guests tonight for our meeting. Tom Brunner a Viet Nam vet from 1967-1968 and Pete Bindl a Viet Nam vet from 1968-1969.

FINANCE: Lee passed out the financial report and went over the income and expense. A motion to accept the report pending audit was made by Ed, second was Bill Diebold and motion passed by vote.

CHAPLAIN: Pat went over those on sick call and asked members to inform him of others he may not have mentioned. He then went over the Memorial Day festivities we will be having. We will be going to the cemeteries in the morning, there will be a parade. We will have a band again. The breakfast after the cemeteries is still questionable, there will be no chicken BBQ, but we will have the Lions brat stand. We will also have the big wagon for the parade for those that cannot walk in the parade.

1st VICE: Bill brought us up to date with membership. Currently we have 187 out of the 213 we need for 100%.

Pat let us know the rentals are coming back. We have every Sat in June and July filled with one open in Aug. We have 3 weddings and Spike Rhett will be on August 6th.

Dan brought us up to date on Legion projects. We have new railings being finished up this week, lawn improvement this summer will be starting this weekend. He also mentioned we need a new printer.

Kevin brought us up to date on past activities and status of the Sons. He mentioned they are at 100% paid membership of 122 and just added a new member. Scott Lamontagne has joined, and we welcome him. Kevin mentioned he is looking for applications for the scholarship they give to a high school senior. Also, the sons will be cooking a steak dinner for the May Legion meeting.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: It was decided we need signs to let people know when the shelter or park has been reserved. We will get these made and avoid confusion.

NEW BUSINESS: Gary went over the thankyou's we received, reminded everyone of the May 8th celebration of life for Gene at Pine Bluff. Also, anyone who has not gotten a QUILT OF VALOR to get signed up for the ceremony.

GOOD OF THE LEGION: We will once again have the wagon for those who cannot march in the parade on Memorial Day.

KITTY: No winner - 50/50 Dan Cady - BRANDY Jim Albertson

The meeting was adjourned at 7:18pm.
Respectfully submitted
Dennis Heiliger, Adjutant

Auxiliary Newsletter

President Karen Runk

I'm calling all butterflies to attend the May meeting!! I would like to recognize your efforts to keep us connected. Memorial & Poppy Days are coming!! We will be preparing for these events at our May meeting, so join us in-person or on zoom!! We have a NEW beginning!! We didn't get a NEW President yet, but we do have a NEW secretary & VP!! Welcome and thank Judy Schmitz as secretary & Deb Niebuhr as VP to their new offices!! It is important to continue forward with NEW blood, NEW ideas and NEW energy for the future of our Unit. Deb will be preparing to step into her presidency next year and a NEW VP will be elected then. Please consider getting involved!!

Still Clipp'n those Coupons

Received a gracious thank you from the base for coupons. They are very appreciative of our efforts!! The base did encourage us to Keep Clipp'n, they are in need of our support! The basket is still at Ann Eicher's house (2004 Julius Street)!! Please continue to separate product coupons into food and non-food, and seal them in a plastic bag to keep them dry. Coupons can be expired up to 6 months. No store coupons can be sent. My plan is to mail them in JULY.

APRIL EVENTS & REMINDERS

MAY 8TH – GENO SCHMITZ CELEBRATION OF LIFE @ RED MOUSE IN PINE BLUFF FROM 11:30-2

MAY 8TH - MID WINTER @ HO-CHUNK BARABOO

MAY 20TH – 245 UNIT MEETING @ 6:30pm; no meal

MAY 27TH – 7pm ALA DANE COUNTY MEETING @ Cross Plains; no meal

Chaplain's message - Pat Cady

God our Father, we gather at this time of the year to remember the men and women who fought and gave the supreme sacrifice so that we may live in freedom. Let us also remember the Gold Star Mothers, who have given their children in service to our country and members of our Unit who have passed away since Memorial Day 2020. Amen. Joyce Blair-7/30/2020; Dolores Shivelor-9/8/2020; Shirley Coulson-10/18/2020; LaVonne Boyer-1/31/2021.

Membership Chair message: Debby Niebuhr

Auxiliary membership dues: \$30/SR(18+) AND JR \$6. (0-17). We will be pushing for dues to be in by the end of July so we have a chance at the various contests. Thanking you in advance for your support!
Debby Niebuhr PO Box 3, Cross Plains, WI 53528

Son's of The American Legion

Kevin Boehnen

Monthly Meeting

Well it has been a while, but we will be having a Monthly meeting on May 20th. 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.

If you are interested in helping cook see Whitey or contact Kevin Boehnen at kabohnen@chorus.net for details.

Memorial Day May 31st

We hope to see many members observe this holiday. See this newsletter for all the details. Meet at the Legion Hall to visit the Cemeteries-be at the legion by 7:30 AM. Will be meeting at 10:45 AM at the State Bank Parking lot 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.

STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

Proclamation

WHEREAS, millions of Americans have served in the United States Armed Forces, and millions more have lost their lives in battle to preserve and defend the freedoms and quality of life enjoyed by people throughout our country; and

WHEREAS, we must be reminded of the price of war and the debt owed to those who have died fighting for our country; and

WHEREAS, borne out of the tragedy of World War I, the red poppy that bloomed all over Europe following the war now symbolizes the sacrifice of lives in all wars; and

WHEREAS, each year, the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Wisconsin reminds all Wisconsinites of this debt through the distribution of this memorial flower throughout the month of May; and

WHEREAS, this month and every month, the state of Wisconsin honors our veterans for their service and pays tribute to those who sacrificed their lives to uphold the values we share;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby proclaim May 2021 as

POPPY MONTH

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 7th day of April 2021.


TONY EVERS
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:


DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE
Secretary of State

CROSS PLAINS AMERICAN LEGION GOLF OUTING

Date: Monday, June 7, 2021

Where: Deer Valley Golf Course, Barneveld, WI

Time: 11am Shotgun Start

Dinner: Cross Plains American Legion, Cross Plains

Note: GOLFERS 70+ TEE OFF AT GREEN TEES (SENIORS)

Please list names of golfers; \$75/golfer (Dinner and Drink included)

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

Hole Sponsor: \$100

4 Golfers/Hole Sponsor: \$375

Send Form and payment to:

Dan Cady, 2210 Hickory St, Cross Plains, WI 53528

email: dcady@c21affiliated.com **Phone:** 608/438-2987

Make Checks payable to: Cross Plains American Legion

Business Name for Hole Sponsors (As you want it to appear on course)

I am interested in donating a door prize

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Dan