

***The 245er***  
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**CROSS PLAINS-MIDDLETON AMERICAN LEGION**

**Kerl-Endres-Brannan**

**Post 245**

**October 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.

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**Post 245 Sick Call**

**Chaplain Pat Andreoni**

Richard Williamson – Home	Paul Dull – Home	Dan Meier – Home
Larry Hanson – Home	Sam Dalio – Home	John Helleckson – Home
Albert Oleson – Nursing Home	Francis Eisner – Home	John Hill – Home
Norm Esser – Home		

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

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**Upcoming Events:**

<b>October</b>	03 Lions Club	<b>November</b>	07 Lions Club
	12 3 <sup>rd</sup> District Fall Conference		16 Annual Drawdown
	17 Legion, SAL, Aux Mtg		21 Legion, SAL, Aux Mtg
	26 Bucky Ride		26 Model T Club
	27 Lion's Pumpkin Carving		28 Yeager Thanksgiving
	29 Model T Club		

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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 Pat Andreoni at 798-3844 or email at [jpandreo@aol.com](mailto:jpandreo@aol.com)

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	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](http://www.americanlegioncp.org)**

## **Commander's Message**

**Ed Pelowsky**

It looks like Fall is really here. Now if we can just get the rain to stop.

With the passage of the Legion Act of 2019 we now have the opportunity to expand our membership. I did get an article in the Middleton Times-Tribune since there was nothing in the local papers about it. If you have a friend or relative that is a veteran, but was previously ineligible for the Legion, make them aware of the change. Even if they join a different Post.

We will be hosting the 3<sup>rd</sup> District Fall conference on October 12<sup>th</sup>. If you can attend that would be great. Would be nice to have a good turn out from our Post.

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 September 19, 2019**

Meeting was called to order at 7:39 p.m. by Commander Pelowsky.

Joe made a motion to accept the Executive minutes as read, second was Dave and the motion passed.

Dan made a motion to accept the minutes as printed in the 245er, second was Dick and the motion passed.

Jerry Hook was here from the 3<sup>rd</sup> district and the 115<sup>th</sup> fighter wing to thank us for the \$ 500.00 donation we sent to them.

FINANCE: Lee passed out the finance report and went over the income and expenses. A motion was made by Dan and second was Joe to approve the report pending audit. Motion passed by vote.

CHAPLIN: Pat went over the sick call roster and asked if anyone knew someone not mentioned.

1<sup>st</sup> VICE: Bill was missing for our meeting but sent the membership current status. We have 132 pd members which is 62%. We also have a new member that was assigned to our post. Her name is Janet Faust.

2<sup>nd</sup> VICE: Pat mentioned the hall rentals are doing fine. This year draw down will be held on 11/16/2019 and tickets will once again be \$50.00.

SAL: Kevin mentioned they have 111 members paid or 94% and he is working on the remaining 7. They also have 2 new members. They will be involved with the Motocross event on 10/26, the draw down on 11/16 and recently have also become involved with running the brat stand for the farmers market. Rod Faust is also the man to see about flags and now has a flag in every classroom at Park school. Also, they are donating a 6 x 10 flag to the school and one to Molly B.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Dave brought us up to date on metal recycling. The price is still very low \$30.00 a ton.

POST SERVICE OFFICER: Joe talked about the Honor flight and reminded everyone that he can get you an application. He also asked for a hospital donation. A motion was made to donate \$200.00 by Joe, second was Dan and motion passed via vote.

NEW BUSINESS: Ed brought up the colors needed for all color guard members will now be a white shirt and black dress pants. He needs 4 members to help with the Molly B program. The four will be Ed, Dan, Dave and Marty.

GOOD OF THE LEGION: It was noted that our elevator needs repair AGAIN. Also, from now on any veteran that passes will be mentioned in the monthly 245er newsletter. Ed also sent a congratulations message to Mike Runk who was recently promoted to Command Master Sgt at Fort Sam Houston.

KITTY: No winner

BRANDY: Fred Urban

50/50: Ron Faust for \$ 17.00

Meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Heiliger, Adjutant

### **Auxiliary Newsletter**

**President Karen Runk**

Another busy month for us!! We had 2 bake sales that wrapped up our 2019 fundraising. Huge thanks to those that baked, worked, called, planned and supported all of these fundraisers. We will share the net results of these events at our October meeting.

September was also our 100<sup>th</sup> ALA Anniversary! Our Legion commander congratulated us on this auspicious occasion. Our special thank you goes out to Judi & Doug Deaton who planned, cooked, and decorated for the occasion!! The lunch committee was fantastic as usual, and the apple desserts were a terrific finish to a great meal!!! The party took the place of our regular meeting; 23 members were in attendance to eat, drink, visit and look at 92 years of unit 245 nostalgia. John Friend was our special guest from the Wisconsin Historical Society. John will advise, possibly assist our history committee in preserving our historic articles.

**Please plan on attending our October meeting to help plan the 245 Veterans Day Chili event.** This chili event is our second project selected by our members. It is so important that EVERYONE who can be involved does so. Veterans Day is another great time to recognize our veterans for their service and commitment to our country.

The Membership Tea Set is on display at the CP Library! Take a look!! Next random drawings for membership awards are October 9<sup>th</sup> and November 6<sup>th</sup> for \$100 each. **We are currently one member away from 100%. Please help us get to the 100% !**

**2020 project: Camp American Legion wish-list**

### OCTOBER EVENTS

**October 12<sup>th</sup>** is the Legionnaires' 3<sup>rd</sup> District Fall Conference registration at 8am, luncheon between 11:30am-12:30pm. We have been asked to provide a continental breakfast and luncheon. We have broken the work into two crews to reduce the time that members need to be there. Please contact Judi Deaton or myself if you can assist in food service.

**October 17<sup>th</sup>** is our meeting night. Our main business will be planning the **Veterans' Day Chili Event**; review the **scholarship program** & proposed changes; decide on **annual donations**; and order quantity of **poppies**.

**Membership:**

We made 100%. The drawing for the free 2021 membership takes place at the October mtg. THANKS TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL MEMBERS FOR PAYING THEIR DUES;) IF YOU PAID AND STILL REC'D THE SEPTEMBER NOTICE FROM NAT'L IT'S BECAUSE IT WASN'T IN BY THE END OF JULY.

Thanks,  
Debby Niebuhr, Membership chair

October Lunch Committee: Lorie Ballweg, Susan Nelson and Sheila Schultz

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 Pat Cady (798-2352), Sheila Luhman (798-2451) or Debby Niebuhr (608-445-6590). 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 October 17th.

**Flags**

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

**Recycling Efforts**

Tim Hillebrand and Whitey have been representing the SAL. If anyone else is interested in helping talk to Whitey and he can share what they do and how often.

**2020 Membership Dues**

In July everyone should have received their Membership Cards and a notice to pay your dues \$13.00 for one year or \$50.00 for five years.

Sent out 2nd letter to remind people that their dues for 2020 are due. We are down to eight people to collect from. Please get your dues to me or next month I will publish who is left so I can get some additional help from members or sponsors to help get them paid up.

Also if you know anyone who would like to join we need to find one or more members to ensure we get 100% membership for 2020.

**Cooking at the Farmer's Market**

On August 21st Mike Diebold and Whitey and Patty Hillebrand cooked and sold the food. On September 11th Mike Diebold, Paul Lochner, Whitey and Patty Hillebrand and myself helped make this event successful.

**Motor Cross event is October 26th**

We will need to have members available to prepare, serve and clean up for this event. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Please see Whitey or myself if you are willing to help. Contact Kevin Boehnen at 608 798 2116 or kabohnen@chorus.net.