

**June 2010**



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DUES: LEGION \$35.00/YEAR / S.A.L. \$ 7.00/YEAR

1919....Walter Staats  
1920....Robert W. Carpenter  
1921....Jay Allison  
1922....Dan M. Diener  
1923....Norman E. Anderson  
1924....Henry Swift  
1925....Morris E. Stevenson  
1926....William E. Hooper  
1927....Harold H. Clarke  
1928....George Hannan  
1929....A.T. Witt  
1930....Arthur Johnson  
1931....A.T. Witt  
1932....A.J. Walter  
1933....J. Richard Hawkins  
1934....Melvin G. Binder  
1935....L.J. Dixon  
1936....William A. Finger  
1937....G. Willard McCollum  
1938....Leslie L. Meyer  
1939....Charles Dyer  
1940....Newell Fishel  
1941....Rollin Whitaker  
1942....Ivan M. Webster  
1943....Thomas C. Arndt  
1944....Wallace S. Whitlock  
1945....Stanley A. Lynch  
1946....Louis A. Edwards  
1947....Thomas J. Lanagan  
*Italics denotes deceased*

1948....Eugene Weaver  
1949....Fred W. Lester  
1950....Harvey H. Kenitz  
1951....Joseph R. Krepper  
1952....Gilbert G. Giesler  
1953....Andrew S. Blaida  
1954....Herschel Hubbard  
1955....A.R. Fister  
1956....Dino Convalle  
1957....Tony F. Morello  
1958....W.H. Schenke  
1959....James L. Newall  
1960....Edwin D. Wrenn  
1961....Bernard J. Blaida  
1962....Louis W. Wrenn  
1963....James R. Hodous  
1964....Jerry Kopecky  
1965....Earl W. Will  
1966....**Leonard J. Voss**  
1967....Gene Kappelman  
1968....Alois E. Sheber  
1969....Mason Taylor  
1970....William Harkness  
1971....Earl W. Will  
1972....Steven J. Kadlec  
1973....Joseph A. Bartels  
1974....Zedo Oliver  
1975....**Herbert Morrison**  
1976....Chester Kotowski  
1977....**Ed Knickerbocker**

1978....**Elmer J. Mears**  
1979....Dudley E. Smalley  
1980....Jens P. Vimtrup  
1981....Elmer W. Anderson  
1982....Elmer W. Anderson  
1983....Frank J. Bulin  
1984....George R. Novak  
1985....George R. Novak  
1986....Bill Johnson  
1987....A.E. Sheber  
1988....**David D. Wisbrock**  
1989....**David D. Wisbrock**  
1990....**David D. Wisbrock**  
1991....Gilbert J. Gawin  
1992....Gilbert J. Gawin  
1993....Ken Gallagher  
1994....**Richard Bernardini**  
1995....**Emery Wolff**  
1996....Curt McCullagh  
1997....**Larry Bryant**  
1998....**Larry Bryant**  
1999....**John Magic**  
2000....**Jack Border**  
2001....**Jack Border**  
2002....**Bob Isenberger**  
2003....**Bob Isenberger**  
2004....**Joe Pappalaro**  
2005....**Richard Rooney**  
2006....**Richard Rooney**  
2007.. **Richard Mueller**  
2008.. **Richard Mueller**



## Commander's Column

June already, unbelievable! The Garden Club has once again improved the looks of our grounds by their planting of flowers in the front of the building. Please take a second on your way into the building and smell the blossoms. In addition to the Garden Club, I want to thank the Boy Scouts. The first cutting of the grass looks great. Between these two groups they have enhanced our looks. While I am thanking people I would be remiss if I did not thank the Mayor, Village Council, the Village Attorney, and all of the Village Staff for quickly changing the Village Code that allows us to continue to have poker. I must report that every time I have approached Mayor Sandack with an issue he has come down on the side of Veterans and our Post. He has proven to be a great friend to the Post.

In May we held Past Commander's Night where seven of the fourteen living Commanders were present. Our Post is what we are because of the Past Commanders reaching all the way back to 1919. It is only right that we remember these people. At the dinner we also gave out the scholarship, our \$1,000 winner was on hand and she seemed to be please. Our Miss Poppy was introduced to the crowd. She is the Granddaughter of John & Kim Cruz. I do not think I am talking out of line when I tell you she is as cute as a button and will do a great job of representing our Post. This night was capped off with Herb Morrison receiving a Meritorious Service Citation from the National Commander for all of his work as a Service Office. This certificate was pursued by our District Commander Wayne Fischer.

On May 18<sup>th</sup> five Boys State awards were given out. Rich Greenwald presented at South High School while Joe Pappalardo presented at North High. This year with the tight economy we really could use your help in collecting for Poppies. This is a major fund raiser for hospitalized veterans. Elsewhere in this newsletter there will be more information on this issue. I am writing this column two weeks before Memorial Day. But that does not stop me from thanking everyone who pitched in to make this a success. It is right that we honor our fallen. There but for the grace of God anyone of us could be a name read off on this day. We still have family, friends, and neighbors in harms way and until we have peace and all are home safe and sound we should never forget those who gave their lives so we could be free.

On June 25 there will be a free concert put on by the American Wind Band. It will be outside so bring your blankets or chairs and listen to some great music. If you forgot this is the group that is a subset of the full band that played when we had the Vietnam Wall here.

One last thought for this month. This is your Post. I know that over the past year we have had people transfer out and try to recruit our members while some other have tried to be disruptive of the Post. What these people have forgotten is why there is an American Legion. Our Post has room for a lot of differing views but if each of us remains silent we are not keeping faith with why we joined the Legion. As long as I have a breath in me I will try to remember what we are about; Veterans helping Veterans, Children, Service Members, and our Communities. Thus I ask each of you to please remember to be kind.

Woody



**JUNE 2010**

## **Wheelchair Olympics at Hines VA Hospital May 15th 2010**



**Dawn Mattson (retired US Army) “mounting up” with Legion Rider  
Director Steve Collins and Legion Rider  
Jack Border.**



**Post 80 Legion Riders get ready to ride in Wheelchair Olympics at  
Hines VA Hospital on 5/15/10.  
Don Gilson in the middle**



### Sick Call

Please keep the named people in your prayers, or if you prefer raise your glasses in a toast to them, for a speedy recovery.

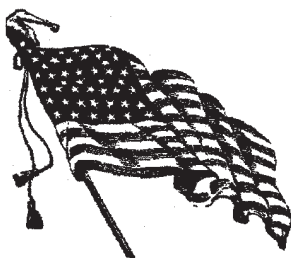
To:

Tony Sestak

Bob Gobeli

Larry Kasel

Bill Levin



## **FLAG DAY**

Monday - June 14th

## **FLAG RETIREMENT**

Flag Retirement Ceremony

Monday - June 14th - 7:00 P.M.

*There will be an outdoor ceremony at 7:00 P.M. in which the Boy Scouts are assisting in the disposal of old and worn flags.*



### **THE AMERICAN WIND BAND**

will perform at  
the Post's memorial  
park

**June 25th**

Admission is free

**SEE YOU AT THE 4TH OF JULY PARADE**



## **CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

Remember: June 14, 2010 is Flag Day.

The United States Flag is the third oldest of the National standards of the world; older than the Union Jack of Britain or the Tricolor of France.

The Flag was first authorized by Congress June 14, 1777. This date is now observed as Flag Day throughout America.

The Flag was first flown from Fort Stanwix, on the site of the present City of Rome, New York, on August 3, 1777. It was first under fire three days later in the Battle of Oriskany, August 6, 1777.

The colors of the Flag may be thus explained: The red is for valor, zeal and fervency; the white for hope, purity, cleanliness of life and rectitude of conduct; the blue, the color of heaven, for reverence to God, loyalty, sincerity, justice and truth.

The name "Old Glory" was given to our National Flag August 10, 1831, by Captain William Driver of the brig Charles Doggett.

Remember to fly it proudly on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Wm. Jack Border Post 80 Chaplain



### **Auxiliary News**

Unit 80 will be hosting our Annual Pot Luck Dinner at our next meeting on June 21<sup>st</sup> at 6 p.m. The Auxiliary Meeting will start one hour earlier than usual to accommodate this event. Auxiliary members are asked to bring a dish to share.

Unit 80 received a Presidential Citation at the 11<sup>th</sup> District meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup> for achieving over 100% of its membership goal. With the ten new members welcomed in March, this brings Unit 80 membership to 105 members.

Unit 80 held its Unit election of officers at the May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting and for 2010-2011 the Auxiliary officers have been elected as follows:

- Karen Greenwald has been elected Unit President
- Kim Cruz has been elected Vice President
- Norma Border has been elected Treasurer
- Marge Pavich has been elected Historian
- Dolores Harrison has been re-elected as Chaplain
- Arlene Guest has been re-elected as Sergeant at Arms



## Legion Rider Update

The American Legion Riders (ALR) of Post 80 participated in the annual Wheelchair Olympics at Hines VA Hospital in Maywood, IL on Saturday, May 15, 2010. The Legion Riders took part in the opening parade and then assisted veterans to participate in the multiple events located on the Hines campus. Hospitalized veterans were encouraged to participate in billiards, table tennis, adaptive tennis, mini-golf, shuffleboard, bowling and an air rifle range. Legion Rider members joined the vets for a special luncheon and Illinois State Governor Patrick Quinn also dropped in to make some special presentations to several of the veterans.

Post 80 Legion Riders are also working with VA staff to set up a picnic barbecue for some of the Hines veterans at Post 80 in late July.

The Post 80 Legion Riders meet once a month, usually on the third Saturday at 10 am in the Library. Our next Legion Rider meetings are on June 19<sup>th</sup> and July 17<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in joining us, please plan to attend or contact Steve Collins, Legion Rider Director at 708 473-5620 (cell) or Jack Border at 630 336 3421 (cell).

### Scheduled ALR Rides & Charity Runs

Legion Riders are planning to participate in the following 2010 rides and events in May, June and July:

- June 5 – Joint Legion Rider Meeting in Monee, IL
- June 19 – Freedom Run to Mideast Conflict Memorial Wall
- June 26-27 – Michigan Wine Country tour
- July 4 – Downers Grove July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade
- July 10 – Save a Vet Run
- July 17 – Lt. Dan Band Concert for Support Our Troops at Cantigny
- July 18 - Pediatric Ride for Kids



## Electronic Recycling Program 2010

June 4th 9am to 6pm

The recycler will accept TV's, Radios, VCR's, DVD Players, Computers, Cables, Batteries, Telephones, and Cell Phones



**JUNE 2010**

***Veterans Memorial Tuition Scholarship, American Legion Post #80  
Winner Of The 2010 Scholarship***

The 1st Place Winner will receive: \$1,000.00

Is Lisa N Billie Grandchild of Jean Dvorak

The 2nd Place Winner will receive: \$500.00

Is Sarah J. Schumacher Grandchild of George Schumacher

The 3rd, 4th & 5th place Honorable Mention: By Judges

The 3rd Place will receive: \$100.00

Is Madeline N. Honn Grandchild of Robert “Bob” Ineich

The 4th Place will receive: \$100.00

Is Michael P. Parker Child of Howard Parker

The 5th Place will receive: \$100.00

Is Gabrielia M. Jimenez Grandchild of John M. Cruz

***The Scholarship Committee Thanks You, Enter next year.***



At the Past Commander's Recognition Night 1st place scholarship winner Lisa N. Billie accepting her \$1,000.00 scholarship award from commander Woody Kawaters and Sr. Vice Commander Rich Greenwald





Past Commanders Recognition Night May 16th  
Bottom: Past Commanders Herb Morrison and Joe Pappalardo  
Top: Commander Woody Kawaters, Past Commanders Dick Bernardini, Dick Rooney, Lary Bayant, John Magic and Jack Border



## *Meet Miss Poppy*

Macayla Joy Wales is eight years old and is in the 2nd grade at Scott Joplin School in Chicago where she is an honor roll student. Macayla enjoys writing, signing and being with her 3 sisters. She is the daughter of Michael And Alysis Wales and the granddaughter of John and Kim Cruz.

Macayla kicked off this year's Poppy campaign at the Legion's Post Commanders Dinner



## THOUGHT-OF-THE-MONTH:

Not our OLD favorite subject again!!

- .....
- >>Growing old is not so bad – especially when you consider the alternative.....
  - >>Do you look as old as you are? It's been many years since I've had to show my ID cards to get a senior price in a restaurant.....
  - >>Age is mostly a matter of mind. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter.....
  - >>Getting old, period, is not really the problem. Its all the other stuff going on all around us. They are making steps steeper now. It used to be nothing climbing stairs, now you have to stop halfway up to catch your breath!! They also seem to have changed clothes sizes too.....
  - >>Have any of you guys had children who recently (because of your age) asked you not to die first and leave your wife (their mother) for them to take care of??
  - >>Growing old requires responsibility too. You should put your financial affairs in order and draw up a family trust...
  - >>There is some info lately that "Elderly" drivers are having too many accidents. One solution mentioned is to catch elderly in minor situations and use this to take away their priviledges! Drive carefully if you wish to continue driving!
  - >>Have you ever had a Senior moment? They come in all sizes and unexpected ways. (Not all are good!).....RWB
- .....

*The past cannot be changed, The future is still in your power*




<b>PRESIDENT.....</b>	<b>ROSEMARY COLLINS</b>
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<b>SECRETARY .....</b>	<b>JULIE ISENBERGER</b>
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<b>CHAPLAIN .....</b>	<b>DOLORES HARRISON</b>
<b>HISTORIAN.....</b>	<b>NORMA BORDER</b>
<b>SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.....</b>	<b>LOUISE LEWANSKI</b>
<b>ASST. SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.....</b>	<b>ARLENE GUEST</b>

DUES: AUXILIARY \$13.50/YEAR JR. AUX \$3.00/YEAR  
PAST PRESIDENTS

1920....Margaret Bebb	1949....Vivian Harkness	1979....Catherine Smalley
1921....Jessie Straub	1950....Christine McGarvie	1980....Frances North
1922....Matilda Uhlorn	1951....Shirley Wrenn	1981....Anne Creel
1923....Myra Hawkins	1952....Letitia Mrkvicka	1982....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1924....Clara Nash Hawkins	1953....Corabelle Krepper	1983....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1925....Emily Sanders	1954....Christine McGarvie	1984....Anne Creel
1926....Daisy Swift	1955....Elsie Niedner	1985....Genevieve Kotowski
1927....Florence Johnson	1956....Kathleen Hotchkiss	1986....Genevieve Kotowski
1928....Mary Pfaff	1957....Marian Lacey	1987....Ethel Clark
1929....Esther Binder	1958....Evelyn Fredericks	1988....Bonita Wisbrock
1930....Beulah McCollum	1959....Shirley Schenke	1989....Eleanor Bartels
1931....Viola Vix	1960....Margaret Morello	1990....Bonita Wisbrock
1932....Bernice Goltry	1961....Marian Ruzicka	1991....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1933....Mae Jones	1962....Margaret Edwards	1992....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1934....Bernice Hannan	1963....Alice Pechinski	1993....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1935....Marie Finger	1964....Alice Pechinski	1994....Midge Zielinski
1936....Evelyn Walter	1965....Anne Creel	1995....Boneta Wisbrock
1937....Josephine Mitchell	1966....Evelyn Jenkins	1996....Leora Novak
1938....Lorraine Edwards	1967....Dorothy Nied	1997....Leora Novak
1939....Ethel Margison	1968....Eleanor Bartels	1998....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1940....Vera Iehl	1969....Alice Pechinski	1999....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1941....Mabel Webster	1970....Helen Beck	2000....Lorraine Vimtrup
1942....Muriel Fischel	1971....Jeanette Foster	2001....Leora Novak
1943....Ruth Karvatt	1972....Dorothy Kadlec	2002....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1944....Emily Mrkvicka	1973....Margaret Morello	2003....Midge Zielinski
1945....Flossie Dreuttel	1974....Ann Hodous	2004....Bonnie Wisbrock
1946....Minnie Lester	1975....Ann Hodous	2005....Bonnie Wisbrock
1947....Esther Weaver	1976....Eleanor Bartels	2006....Bonnie Wisbrock
1948....Myrtle Kraft	1977....Alice Pechinski	2007....Bonnie Wisbrock
<i>Italics denotes deceased</i>	1978....Mildred Mueller	2008....Bonnie Wisbrock

<b>June 1</b>	<b>Tickets:</b> Jane B Leora N <b>Kitchen:</b> Pat M, Karen G Julie I
<b>June 8</b>	<b>Tickets:</b> Ilene K Kathy P <b>Kitchen:</b> Mary P, Lorraine D, Carol C Cheryl B
<b>June 15</b>	<b>Tickets:</b> Evelyn F Eleanor R <b>Kitchen:</b> Karen G, Delores H Gloria P
<b>June 22</b>	<b>Tickets:</b> Pam H Rosemary C <b>Kitchen:</b> Kim C, Marge P Arlene G
<b>June 29</b>	<b>Tickets:</b> Leora H Eleanor R <b>Kitchen:</b> Marge P, Kim C Rosemary C ?
June Meeting June 14 Past President Dinner	

Sun	Mon.	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri.	Sat		
June 2010		1 Bingo 6:30 p.m.	2 Business Meeting 7:30pm	3	4	5 Coffee Doughnuts Conversation 8:30 am		
		6	7	8 Bingo 6:30 p.m.	9 Country Meeting Hinsdale Post 250	10	11	12 Coffee Doughnuts Conversation 8:30 a.m.
		13	14 Flag Day Flag Retirement at Post 7:00pm	15 Bingo 6:30 p.m.	16	17	18	19 C D C 8:30 am Legion Riders 10am
		20 Father's Day	21 Auxiliary Meeting	22 Bingo 6:30 p.m.	23 Board of Directors Meeting 7:30 p.m.	24	25	26 Coffee Doughnuts Conversation 8:30 a.m.
		27	28	29 Half Price Bingo 6:30 p.m.	30			



**ELIGIBILITY DATES**

**WORLD WAR I** APRIL 6, 1917 - NOVEMBER 11, 1918 • **VIETNAM** FEBRUARY 28, 1961 - MAY 7, 1975

**WORLD WAR II** DECEMBER 7, 1941 - DECEMBER 31, 1946 • **OPER. JUST CAUSE IN PANAMA**  
DECEMBER 20, 1989 - JAN. 31, 1990 • **KOREAN WAR** JUNE 25, 1950 - JANUARY 31, 1955 •  
**GRANADA & LEBANON** AUGUST 24, 1982 - JULY 31, 1984 **PERSIAN GULF** AUGUST 2, 1990 -  
cessation of hostilities

