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1950...Harvey H. Kenitz
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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
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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
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1972....Steven J. Kadlec
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1974...Zedo Oliver
1975....Herbert Morrison
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1977....Ed Knickerbocker
1978....Elmer J. Mears
1979....Dudley E. Smalley
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1981....Elmer W. Anderson
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1983....Frank J. Bulin
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1986....Bill Johnson
1987....A.E. Sheber
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1991....Gilbert J. Gawin
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1996....Curt McCullagh
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1999....John Magic
2000....Jack Border
2001....Jack Border
2002....Bob Isenberger
2003....Bob Isenberger
2004....Joe Pappalardo
2005....Richard Rooney
2006.. .Richard Rooney
2007.. .Richard Mueller
2008.. .Richard Mueller
2009....Woody Kawaters
2010....Woody Kawaters

Italics denotes deceased

Commander's Column

August 2nd Woody and I were invited to participate in the Warrenville Police Department's National Night Out. They had some vendors providing free hamburgers and hot dogs. Others provided free lemonade and soda. The Police Department had organized activities for the kids, games, martial arts demo, and a police dog demo. There were fire trucks, ambulance, rescue truck, and a police vehicle for the kids to climb all over.

We handed out flags with the names of soldiers killed in action. Like at the Lt. Dan concert it touched many people, and made them aware of the ultimate sacrifice our military pays.

Some of the people we talked with had family on active duty. I feel we accomplished our mission by telling them of the programs available for active-duty members to help their families with financial aid, and other programs the Legion and Government sponsors for them.

Last year it was suggested that we do Gift for Yanks earlier in the year. A lot of us were tired of freezing our butts off. So we decided to do Gift for Yanks on Cruise Night featuring trucks on August 6th.

Herb filed for our permit to collect in the morning as well as the evening. The morning crew was Herb Morrison, Bill Downing, Ron Czech, Jim Rosenkranz, and myself. Jim stayed out till 3PM and collected more than $160. Jim prides himself to be our number one collector.

The evening crew was Herb Morrison, Jim Nelson, Jack Border, Bill Dawson, Dick Bernardini, and myself. We collected a total of $1,044 for the day exceeding anything we did in December. Jim Nelson bumped Jim Rosenkranz out of the number one spot with about $260. Thank you, all! Herb and I appreciate all the help to make this a successful drive.

The Legion Riders have done an outstanding job with their concert, July 30th, and Global Hope's help with the PR it was a very successful event. The Riders were able to raise over $10,000. An anonymous donor matched their $10,000 to give the Riders a total over $20,000.

Congratulations to Jack Border on his installation to Sr. Vice Commander for the 11th District. Jack's installation was August 7th at the Elburn Post. Congratulations to Woody Kawaters on his installation to Sr. Vice Commander for Du Page County. Woody's installation took place in Bartlett on August 21st.

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Commander's Column cont'd...

Our Officer Installation was August 19th. We have two new officers added this year; Dondi Nueva is the Jr. Vice, and Bill Downing is continuing to be our Adjutant. Herb Morrison is continuing as Service Officer for one more year. He and Nick Brescia are mentoring Bob Parrot who will eventually take over as Service Officer.

Labor Day is late this year, so, our Post picnic will be September 5th. Bring your appetite and a dish.

Jim Rosenkranz is doing another fish fry. This will be a fundraiser for the Disabled Vets on September 23rd, 5PM.

Rich Greenwald, *Commander*

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AUXILIARY NEWS

Hats off to our Veterans, that's our theme for this year. We are the Marines. So remember that we are "First to Fight" for our Veterans. This year, Department President, Diana Umdenstock's Special Projects are Gifts to Yanks and Wounded Warriors. My special project is still the Visual Impairment team at Hines Hospital.

My installation officers were, Installation Officer, Theresa Schey, 4 time Unit President , Lockport Unit President, Denise Cannell, Chaplain. and Second Division, Past President, Unit President, Lurinda Kidd, Sgt.-at-Arms.

I accepted a position at District, I am now the Photo Chair. Woo! Woo! Now I have to learn how to use my digital camera with my computer. Wish me luck!

We have many events to planned for this year, come to meetings and help where you are able.

Respectfully,

Karen Greenwald, President

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, Sep. 10		11 District Board Meeting, Huntley
Monday, Sep. 19	6:00pm	Service Hour
	7:00pm	**Meeting**
Saturday, Oct. 15		CRAFT SHOW

ALEXANDER BRADLEY BURNS POST 80

LABOR DAY PICNIC

On The Post Grounds

Monday, Sept. 5th, 12:00 Noon

RAIN OR SHINE

FOR MEMBERS OF POST 80 AND THEIR FAMILIES

FEATURING PULLED PORK

WE'LL HAVE CORN ON THE COB, HAMBURGERS,
BRATS, KEG OF BEER AND SODA
THERE WILL BE GAMES FOR THE KIDS
AND THE ADULTS CAN MAKE UP THEIR GAMES
BRING YOUR FAVORATE SIDE DISH TO SHARE

THERE WILL BE A $5 DONATION PER PERSON
TO OFFSET COST OF THE FOOD AND DRINK
CHILDREN ARE FREE

POW/MIA

Recognition Night

Saturday September 17th

Doors Open at 5:30 pm

Dinner Will Be Served

There will be a $8.00/person charge
to offset the cost the food

YOUR 2012 ANNUAL DUES ARE DUE NOW!

Let's keep Post 80 #1 with continued strong membership.

Any questions, call 630-968-9710.
Bill Downing, Adjutant

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IN MEMORIAM

MICHAEL JOHN PIZNARSKI

(1931 - July 28, 2011)
United States Air Force Veteran of the Korean War.

The family will be having a Memorial Service on August 27, 2011 at 12:30 pm at
Blake-Lamb Funeral Home
5015 Lincoln Ave., Lisle, IL.
Info: 630-964-9392

This Legionnaire Have Gone To The Commander of Us All.
Rest Well Our Friend.

Northwoods Fish Fry

Our Second This Year!

Delicious Batter-Fried Fish
& Fried Chicken
Fresh Cut Coleslaw
Crispy French Fries
only 11.00

Kids meal available too!
Fish or Chicken Dinner with
Macaroni & Cheese
only 3.00

Friday, Sept. 23rd.

5:00 PM

Alexander Burns American Legion
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Veterans Helping Veterans.
Fundraiser for Midwest Homeless Shelter

LEGION RIDER UPDATE

SUCCESSFUL "Jammin' For Vets" CONCERT

Our "Jammin For Vets" Concert was a rousing success! This joint event was organized by the Legion Riders and Global Hope, a DuPage County based charitable organization. Our thanks go out to all of the American Legion Post 80 family for their help and participation in helping to make the concert such a success.

We were also thrilled to have two busses from Hines VA arrive with hospitalized veterans from the Spinal Care Unit, who were able to join us for the barbecue and concert. All of the concert proceeds have been designated to benefit Veterans Wheelchair Olympics and the Midwest Homeless Shelter for veterans. Adding to the excitement were the raffles that included a bass guitar autographed by Gary Sinese of the Lt Dan Band, Bears Autographed Football, Mongoose Mountain Bike and USA Flag Leather Jackets.

Mark the Calendar – Legion Rider Candlelight Bowl Fundraiser – October 22nd

Mark your calendars as all of the American Legion Post 80 Family are cordially invited to the next Legion Rider fundraising event, a Candle Light Bowl on Oct 22nd at the Strikes & Spares Lanes in Lockport, IL. Tickets for this event are $30 and include food and rental of bowling shoes and balls. Plan to join the fun.

All fundraising efforts by the Legion Riders of Post 80 support such events as the barbecue as well as direct assistance to meet the needs of the hospitalized veterans at Hines VA Hospital. Legion Riders also contribute to the Legacy Scholarship Fund for children who lost parents during the 9/11 attacks. Legion Riders of Post 80 also contribute to the Support Our Troops Program to provide needed comfort items to active military in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Legion Rider Scheduled Events for September-November 2011:

ATTENTION: The American Legion Riders – Chapter 80 has moved its regular monthly meeting to the 2nd Saturday of the month at 10 am in the Post Library.

Please check with Steve Collins, Director, (630 968 8147), John Pavich, Treasurer (630 541 5710), or Norma Border, Secretary (630-336-3422) to confirm meeting location for any given month.

September:	**ALR 80 Meeting**	**Sept. 10**
	POW-MIA Remembrance Ride w/ALR 294	**Sept. 17**
	Grundy Corn Fest Parade w/ALR 294, Morris, IL	**Sept. 25**
October:	**ALR 80 Meeting**	**Oct. 8**
	Candle Light Charity Bowl	**Oct. 22**
November:	**Utica Veteran's Day Parade**	**Nov. 6**
	ALR 80 Meeting	**Nov. 12**
December:	**ALR 80 Meeting**	**Dec. 10**
	ALR Christmas Party	**TBD**

Jammin' 4 Vets

Sponsored by Global Hope and American Legion Riders - Post 80

Hospitalized veterans from the Hines Spinal Care Unit joined us for the barbecue and concert

Great music at Jammin 4 Vets

THOUGHT*OF*THE*MONTH:

A HERO'S HERO:

So Many Soldiers
Living On The Street
Their Spirits Broken,
With Defeat.

What Must They Think
When They Look Around
Eyes Passing By,
Staring At The Ground.

Does Anger Fill Them When We Turn Away
From The Debts We Owe That Should Be Repaid?

What If At That Moment Just Once, Instead
We Saluted In Honor, Right Hand To Head.

To Let Them Know They Are Not Ghosts,
Thanking Them For Being Braver Than Most.

If Everyone Would Show Them Grace
We Just Might Find Their Pain Erased.

For All The Heroes Still Fighting To Live
And For Heroes Like You, Who Continue To Give.

If You See Someone Who Is Really Lost,
Please Stop And Remember What Our Freedom Cost!!

.....RWB

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CHAPLAIN .....PAT MUSTRADI
HISTORIAN.....BEVERLY PARROTT
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.....ARLENE GUEST
ASST. SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.....CATHERINE KUBA

DUES: AUXILIARY $13.50/YEAR JR. AUX $3.00/YEAR

PAST PRESIDENTS

1920....Margaret Bebb
1921....Jessie Straub
1922....Matilda Uhlorn
1923....Myra Hawkins
1924....Clara Nash Hawkins
1925....Emily Sanders
1926....Daisy Swift
1927....Florence Johnson
1928....Mary Pfaff
1929....Esther Binder
1930....Beulah McCollum
1931....Viola Vix
1932....Bernice Goltry
1933....Mae Jones
1934....Bernice Hannan
1935....Marie Finger
1936....Evelyn Walter
1937....Josephine Mitchell
1938....Lorraine Edwards
1939....Ethel Margison
1940....Vera Iehl
1941....Mabel Webster
1942....Muriel Fischel
1943....Ruth Karvatt
1944....Emily Mrkvicka
1945....Flossie Dreuttel
1946....Minnie Lester
1947....Esther Weaver
1948....Myrtle Kraft

Italics denotes deceased

1949....Vivian Harkness
1950....Christine McGarvie
1951....Shirley Wrenn
1952....Letitia Mrkvicka
1953....Corabelle Krepper
1954....Christine McGarvie
1955....Elsie Niedner
1956....Kathleen Hotchkiss
1957....Marian Lacey
1958....Evelyn Fredericks
1959....Shirley Schenke
1960....Margaret Morello
1961....Marian Ruzicka
1962....Margaret Edwards
1963....Alice Pechinski
1964....Alice Pechinski
1965....Anne Creel
1966....Evelyn Jenkins
1967....Dorothy Nied
1968....Eleanor Bartels
1969....Alice Pechinski
1970....Helen Beck
1971....Jeanette Foster
1972....Dorothy Kadlec
1973....Margaret Morello
1974....Ann Hodous
1975....Ann Hodous
1976....Eleanor Bartels
1977....Alice Pechinski
1978....Mildred Mueller
1979....Catherine Smalley
1980....Frances North

1981....Anne Creel
1982....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
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1984....Anne Creel
1985....Genevieve Kotowski
1986....Genevieve Kotowski
1987....Ethel Clark
1988....Bonita Wisbrock
1989....Eleanor Bartels
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1991....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
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2009....Bonnie Wisbrock
2009....Rosemary Collins
2010....Rosemary Collins

Bingo Workers

Sep. 6 Kitchen: Karen G, Delores H., Theresa S.
Tickets: Jane B. & Lucille B.

Sep. 13 Kitchen: Karen G. Joey K & Charlette U.
Tickets: Radika J. & Pam Q.

Sep. 20 Kitchen: Kim C., Carole C., Marilyn C., & Julie I.
Tickets: Evelyn F. & Eleanor R.

Sep. 27 Kitchen: Arlene G ., Marge P, & Gloria P.
Tickets: Pat M. & Leoria N.

Hostesses for September 19 meeting: Officers Karen G., Norma B., Pat M., Bev P. and Arlene G.

September 2011

Sun	Mon.	Tue	Wed	Thus	Fri.	Sat
				1	2	3 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
4	5 POST 80 LABOR DAY PICNIC 12 NOON	6 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	7 Business Meeting 7:30 pm	8	9	10 CDC 8:30 am Legion Riders 10 am
11	12	13 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	14	15	16	17 CDC 8:30 am POW-MIA Recognition Night 5:30 pm
18	19 Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 pm	20 Bingo 6:30 m Doors Open 4:30 pm	21	22	23 VETERANS HELPING VETERANS FISH FRY 5:00 pm	24 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
25	26	27 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	28 Board Meeting 7:30 pm	29	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*