VETERANS HELPING VETERANS
AMERICAN LEGION
ALEXANDER BRADLEY BURNS POST 80
4000 SARATOGA AVENUE
DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515

LEGION - AIRE

November 2011

POST INFORMATION
PHONE: (630) 968-9710 WEB: POST80.ORG TWITTER: AMLEGIONPOST80

COMMANDER.....RICH GREENWALD
630.960.5898
SR. VICE .....TODD HANSON
JR. VICE.....DONDI NUEVA
ADJUTANT.....BILL DOWNING
FINANCE .....BERNIE DUDEK
SGT-AT-ARMS.....HOWARD PARKER
ASST. SGT-AT-ARMS..... RICH JONES
HISTORIAN..... DICK BERNARDINI
CHAPLAIN .....JACK BORDER
JUDGE ADVOCATE.....DAVID D. WISBROCK
SERVICE OFFICER.....BOB PARROT
630-709-7777
NEWSLETTER.....JOE PAPPALARDO & WAYNE MUHS
630-964-0011 630-963-9100

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
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 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

Herb Morrison, who heads our scholarship program has asked me to remind the membership that scholarship applications are available to those students who are ready to attend college, and who are still attending college. Those students that submitted applications last year can resubmit again even if you have won a scholarship. The deadline for submission is April 25th, 2012.

Veterans Day, 11/11/2011, we have our Veterans Day program at 11AM. We'll have coffee and sweet rolls before the program starts. Please come join us. And, on that evening we will have the Flag Retirement Ceremony at the fire pit with Boy Scouts participation.

The Illinois Chapter Sons of D.A.R. are having a program at our Post to honor the WWII vets that have participated in the Honor Flight Program. Several of our Post members are invited to be present so they can be recognized with other Honor Flight participants.

To honor us veterans, AARP is sponsoring a defensive driving program for veterans at the Post. There will be two classes on 11/14 and 11/16 in the library. The classes will run from 5PM to 9PM, and instruction materials will be provided by the instructor with videos. Each class will be restricted to thirty people, first come first served. Bob Jungwirth will be the contact and coordinator with the AARP instructor. You can contact Bob at 630-964-0144 or email him at rjungwirth@aol.com. Please reserve your spot by 11/10.

Next fundraiser we are planning is November 18th, Friday night. The Valentines will be performing from 7PM to 11PM. The doors open at 6:30 PM. There will be dancing as well as the entertainment, and a cash bar. The public is invited and tickets are limited, so please call to reserve your tickets. There will be a $10 cover charge, and the net proceeds will be used for our Legion programs for the disabled vets and youth. Our income is down substantially and we need to do something extra so we can continue with these important programs.

In conclusion, I would like to wish everyone and their families a Happy Thanksgiving. And don't forget the Children's Christmas Party.

Rich Greenwald, *Commander*

Veterans Helping Veterans

Post 80 has wheelchairs (both regular and electric), walkers and canes for your use if you need them. If you can't pick them up, we can deliver. Please call 630-968-9710.

Bob Parrot & Herb Morrison

Are you moving?

We hate to have you miss the next LEGION-AIRE Newsletter!

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM

Please Change My Address

NAME _____

OLD Address: _____

City/State,/Zip _____

NEW Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Effective Date: _____

New Phone Number: _____

Mail this form to:

Alexander Bradley Burns Post 80
Attn: Adjutant
4000 Saratoga Ave.
Downers Grove, IL 60515

AUXILIARY NEWS

Someone you love has put themselves in harms way for your freedom. So how can you "honor your eligibility" in the Auxiliary? Simply by paying your annual dues. We are at about 70% and hopefully everyone will have their dues paid before the holidays.

Do you like a bargain? Senior dues will be going up to 18.00 next year, so now is the time to consider a "Paid up for Life" membership. Contact Bonnie Wisbrock for information. Junior dues will go to 4.00 next year.

All proposed changes to the Constitution, ByLaws and Standing Rules passed. So our meetings are changed to the second Monday of the month starting this month (November). The January meeting has been reinstated. New and transfer members will be voted on by the Unit. And mileage expenses have been reduced to .30 per mile.

The Craft Show generated 752.64 for Operation Support our Troops America. The Unit added an additional 282.36. I will proudly deliver a check to OSTA for $1000.00.

There will be a Junior Activity event at the Post on November 5 at 12 noon. Flag Code, a service project and Pizza for lunch. If you know a junior who may be eligible, consider bringing them to this event. Dues are only 4.00. Call Kim Cruz for information.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Greenwald

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, Nov. 5	12noon	Junior Activity at Post
Friday, Nov. 11	11:00am	**VETERANS DAY CEREMONY**
	7:00pm	Flag Retirement Ceremony
Monday, Nov. 14	6:00pm	Service hour
	7:00pm	Meeting
Saturday, Nov. 19		Family Bingo Night
Saturday, Nov. 26		**Poker Kitchen**

Time to Change Your Clock

Don't forget to turn your clock back one hour before turning in on Saturday, Nov. 5th.
Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 am Nov. 6th.

Post 80 Veterans Day

Ceremony and Memorial Service

Thursday, November 11, 2011

We will commemorate the service of veterans of all wars and a remembrance of our fallen Comrades

At 11:00 A.M. in front of Post 80

Have A Happy Thanksgiving

Family Bingo Night

Family Bingo is back by popular demand!

Mark your calendars!

Family Bingo is scheduled for

Saturday, November 19th

This is an inexpensive fun event for the entire family to include kids and grandkids (youth under 18 play for free). In addition to game winners, there will be several raffle winners.

Doors Open at 6:00pm

...to allow time to get your cards and settle in. Boy Scout Troop 80 will have the kitchen open for pizza and hot dogs (a Fundraising Event for them) at nominal prices. Also, a cash bar will be available for adults (**MUST** be over 21 years old - **WE CARD!**).

Games start at 7:00pm.

This popular and enjoyable event is open to Legion, Auxiliary, Scout families and their guests. We'll be playing 12 games and having 2 intermissions.

We hope to see you there!!

Contact Ed Ludwig (630/215-3123) regarding any questions.

2011 POST 80 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

DECEMBER 4, 2011 AT 1:30 PM

Children must be 10 years of age or younger and be children, grandchildren or great grandchildren to a Post 80 member. There will be a Santa Claus, fun and games, cookies, treats and presents.The cut off date for registration of a child is November 15th. This cut off date is required to ensure each child gets a wrapped present. Why not register your child now while you are thinking about it. Use the form below and send it to the Post. Children must be present to receive a gift from Santa.

*Member's name*_____

*Phone Number*_____

Child's Name	*Age*	*Boy/Girl*	*Relation to Member*

If you wish to place your Business Advertisement in this newsletter, please call for information. Alexander Bradley Burns Post 80 (630) 968-9710

Dimitri's Restaurant

Open 7 Days a Week
6am-3pm
Carry Outs and Catering Available
Your Host Pete
1224 Ogden Ave.
Downers Grove, IL 60515
Phone:630-963-0008
Fax: 630-963-0009

Adams Winterfield & Sullivan
funeral home

4343 Main Street
Downers Grove, Illinois 60515
630/968-1000
www.adamswinterfieldsullivan.com

Thank You
For The Many Years Of
Service And Dedication To Our
Country and Community.

From Your Neighbor's
At
Adams-Winterfield & Sullivan

WASHINGTON STREET BARBERSHOP

We specialize in the latest men's hairstyles, with a cutting edge in men's business cuts, flat tops and the taper look.

5155 Washington St.
Downers Grove, IL
630.241.8550
Tues-Fri: 9-6 Sat: 8-3
Evening Hours By Appointment

Toon Funeral Homes
And Cremation Service
www.toonfuneralhome.com

DOWNERS GROVE
4920 MAIN STREET
(630) 968-0408

WESTMONT
109 N. CASS AVE.
(630) 968-2262

Serving the community since 1929

Kapsa Monument Co.

The highest quality Granite & Bronze Memorials.
1,000's of designs * Reasonably priced
Custom designs welcome
Family owned & operated * Over 15 years experience
Satisfaction Guaranteed
Veteran, Merchant Marine & Spouse Discount

www.kapsamonuments.com

5119 Washington Street
Downers Grove
(630) 969-3120

RICHARD W. BERNARDINI

- Architect
- Consultant
- Inspector

Phone (630) 985-9216

7965 S. Highland Ave.
Downers Grove, IL 60516

Please remember to support our advertisers!!
Help those that help us - remember to say,
"I saw your Ad in the **Legion-Aire Newsletter**,"
and then thank them for their support of **Post 80**.

American Legion

Rockin' Oldies Show and Dance

November 18 - 7PM to 11PM

"Starring Chicago's Own"

$10 Cover Charge

Entertainment, Dancing, Cash Bar

Net proceeds will be used for Legion programs for the disabled Vets and youth

MIKE VALENTINE

"Rockin' Oldies Tribute Artist"

HE'LL ENTERTAIN YOU AS HE PERFORMS

THE SONGS OF:

Elvis Presley, Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin

Al Martino, Dion, Bobby Darin, Roy Orbison,

Ricky Nelson, Johnny Rivers, The Buckinghams,

Jay & The Americans & Many More!!!!

FEATURING

Ginger Ling as "Cher" & The Valentine Singers

The Valentine Singers

4000 Saratoga Avenue
Downers Grove, IL 60515
630-418-5372

"Make Your Reservations Today!!"

www.valentinesoundz.com

LEGION RIDER UPDATE

Legion Rider Candlelight Bowl Fundraiser – October 22nd

The American Legion Riders held their Second Annual Candle Light Bowl on Saturday, October 22, 2011 from 8 pm until midnight at the Strikes & Spares Lanes in Lockport, IL. We hope you were able to join us for the fun.

Presentation to Hines VA Athletic Program – October 19th

The Legion Riders presented a donation to the Edward J. Hines VA Hospital Athletics Program on October 19th. The donation represented a significant portion of the funds raised as the result of the Jammin4Vets Concert on July 30th. All fundraising efforts by the Legion Riders of Post 80 support such events as well as our barbecue picnics for the Hines VA Spinal and Blind Units as well as other assistance to meet the needs of our hospitalized veterans at Hines VA Hospital.

Presentation to Midwest Homeless Shelter for Veterans

The Legion Riders are also looking forward to presenting a similar donation to the Midwest Homeless Shelter for Veterans in DuPage in November. We hope to have our fundraising collaborators from Global Hope join us for the presentation.

Legion Riders cont'd....

Accident Scene Management Course – Advanced

In April 2011, the Legion Riders attended the all day Accident Scene Management Course (ASMC) at Loyola Medical Center. This is a Certificate Training Program that equips Legion Riders to come to the immediate assistance of injured victims at motorcycle or auto accident sites and to work with emergency responders in assisting accident victims. Legion Riders – Chapter 80 are in process of scheduling to take the Advanced Course in December. If you have completed the basic course and are interested in signing up for the Advanced course, please contact Steve Collins or John Pavich, see their phone numbers below.

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.

Legion Rider Scheduled Events for November thru December, 2011:

November:	**Utica Veteran's Day Parade**	**Nov. 6**
	ALR 80 Meeting	**Nov. 12**
December:	**ALR 80 Meeting**	**Dec. 10**
	Accident Scene Management Course - Advanced	**TBD**
	ALR Christmas Party	**TBD**

2011 - 2012

New Years Eve

CELEBRATION

American Legion Post 80
4000 Saratoga Avenue
Downers Grove, Il 60515
630-968-9710

Prime Rib Dinner

MUSIC TO DANCE BY

FAVORS- SNACKS

Donation: $50 per person

Doors Open at 6:00 PM

Buffet Dinner at 7:30 PM

Celebration Starts at 9:00 PM

Tables of 8 or 10 may be reserved

Tickets prior to December 21st are $50 per person

After December 21st, tickets are $60 per person

For Tickets Sales and Table Assignmemts Call:

Jim Rosenkranz at: (630) 964-3177

Flag Retirement

Flag Retirement Ceremony

Friday - November 11th - 7:00P.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.

Want to "TUNE UP" Your Driving?

Refresh your skills and perhaps qualify for lower insurance rates!

AARP Driver Safety Program

Mon., Nov. 14 5-9pm
& Wed. Nov., 16 5-9pm
Post 80 Library

Instruction materials will be provided.

Class size limited to 30 people - first come, first served.

Reserve your spot by Nov. 10!

Contact: Bob Jungwirth - 630-964-0144
or email: rjungwirth@aol.com

THOUGHT*OF*THE*MONTH:

WAR

Even though we all say we want peace, the stories and pictures of war are more interesting than those about peace!

There is an assumption by those of us alive today that we're more civilized than people were in the days of, say, the Roman Empire, or even more recently in American history, when early settlers were wiping out colonies of Indians.

We're convinced that civilized countries no longer go to war to take something away from one another, as Iraq did with Kuwait. We like to think we're so civilized we only go to war to defend some principle like freedom or democracy.

If its true, since 1900, a date some people think modern civilization began — though hardly anyone wants war --- it is strange that in this past century we have killed more than 80 million of our fellow human beings --- on purpose --- at war with each other!! We have intentionally killed more people than in any other century! (In the 21st century we are well on our way to set new records!).

Probably the reason we are able to believe on the one hand we're more civilized, and on the other to wage war, is that killing isn't as personal an affair in war as it once was.

The enemy is invisible. We don't hear him scream. We no longer look another man in the eye and run him through with a sword! He's killed by remote control --- a loud noise --- a distant puff of smoke --- and then --- silence.

The question of pity, compassion, remorse doesn't enter into it. The enemy isn't a man, he's a statistic! More people are killed in modern wars now because we are all doing it today!!

The world record for killing was set at Hiroshima, Aug. 6, 1945. Lets hope no one is about to set a new record!!!

RWB

PRESIDENT..... KAREN GREENWALD
VICE PRESIDENT.....KATHY PLEET
SECRETARY .....PAM QUEDNAU
TREASURER..... NORMA BORDER
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
1983....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1984....Anne Creel
1985....Genevieve Kotowski
1986....Genevieve Kotowski
1987....Ethel Clark
1988....Bonita Wisbrock
1989....Eleanor Bartels
1990....Bonita Wisbrock
1991....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1992....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1993....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1994....Midge Zielinski
1995....Boneta Wisbrock
1996....Leora Novak
1997....Leora Novak
1998....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
1999....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
2000....Lorraine Vimtrup
2001....Leora Novak
2002....Henrietta Gerz-Zurek
2003....Midge Zielinski
2004....Bonnie Wisbrock
2005....Bonnie Wisbrock
2006....Bonnie Wisbrock
2007....Bonnie Wisbrock
2008....Bonnie Wisbrock
2008....Bonnie Wisbrock
2009....Bonnie Wisbrock
2009....Rosemary Collins
2010....Rosemary Collins

Bingo Workers

11/2 Kitchen: Karen G., Gloria P., & Theresa S.
Tickets: Lucille B., & Leoria N.

11/8 Kitchen: Karen G., Joey K., & Gloria P.
Tickets: Radika J., & Pam Q.

11/15 Kitchen: Kim C., Charlette U. ?
Tickets: Evelyn F., & Eleanor R.

11/22 Kitchen: Julie I., Marge P., ?
Tickets Pat M., & Leora N.

11/29 Kitchen: Arlene G., Karen G. & Marge P.
Tickets: Leora N., & Eleanor R.

Hostesses for Nov. 14 meeting:
Jane B., Midge Z. & Leora N.

November 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURDSAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	2 Business Meeting 7:30 pm	3	4	5 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
6 Change Clocks Back One Hour	7	8 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	9 County Meeting Roselle Post 1084	10	11 Veterans Day Ceremony-11am Flag Retirement-7pm	12 CDC 8:30 am Legion Riders 10 am
13	14 Defensive Driving Class-Library 5-9pm Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 pm	15 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	16 Defensive Driving Class Post 80 Library 5-9pm	17	18 ROCK'N OLDIES Doors Open 6:30pm $10 Cover	19 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
20	21	22 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	23 Board Meeting 7:30 pm	24	25	26 CDC 8:30 am POWER POKER 1pm - 1am
27	28	29 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	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*