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1949....Fred W. Lester
1950...Harvey H. Kenitz
1951....Joseph R. Krepper
1952...Gilbert G. Giesler
1953....Andrew S. Blaida
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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
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1978....Elmer J. Mears
1979....Dudley E. Smalley
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1981....Elmer W. Anderson
1982....Elmer W. Anderson
1983....Frank J. Bulin
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1985....George R. Novak
1986....Bill Johnson
1987....A.E. Sheber
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1991....Gilbert J. Gawin
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1993....Ken Gallagher
1994....Richard Bernardini
1995....Emery Wolff
1996....Curt McCullagh
1997....Larry Bryant
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1999....John Magic
2000....Jack Border
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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
2011....Rich Greenwald
2012....Rich Greenwald

Commander's Column

With the state convention behind us we begin another Legion year, as always, at 0% membership. We were close to 100% at the close of last year and I feel confident of meeting or exceeding that goal for 2014. The renewal notices are in the mail and I ask that you make an effort to send them in early this year if possible. Our organization speaks to our elected officials through our membership and our efforts will be more successful when we have more members of record.

We have a few opportunities to be involved over the next few weeks including a family bingo on the 4th and a collection for our Gifts for Yanks / Disabled Veterans the following Friday. If you are not on summer vacation, come out and lend a hand for either of these events. They are both fairly low impact and support our programs. Late in August we will have our installation of officers dinner and program along with the Ladies Auxiliary. If you are free the evening of the 24th, the Installation of Officers night is a good opportunity to enjoy the company of post members and offer well wishes to the incoming officers. Everyone is welcome that evening. Please also mark your calendars for the Labor Day picnic in early September. That event is open to all post members and families and always well worth the time.

We do have an opening for an officer position for next year. Dick Bernardini has decided to step down as Historian after 16 successful years in that position. Dick has done an excellent job and I am grateful to him for his service. The duties of Historian are fairly straightforward, and essentially involve recording the events of the post over the next year and compiling a scrapbook for the year. All of Dicks work over the last several years is on display in the library. Anyone interested in the position or anyone who would like to find out more about it. please make yourself known to me or to Dick and we will get you pointed in the right direction.

Finally, I would like to take a moment to recognize two of our past commanders who have successfully completed leadership positions outside of Post 80 in 2013. Woody Kawaters served with distinction

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as DuPage County Commander over the last year and represented Post 80 well. Also, Jack Border completed his service as 11th District Commander. Jack contributes ample time and effort to our post as Chaplain, bingo caller and active member of our Legion Riders and his service in the 11th District leadership is really above and beyond the call of duty. He is a mentor to me and all post members and a good man to have around.

Have a good remainder of the summer.

Todd Hanson
Commander

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Auxiliary News – June 2013

REMINDER – Auxiliary Unit 80 does not have a regular monthly meeting in August.

We look forward to seeing all our Auxiliary members at the next regular monthly Unit meeting on Sept. 9, 2013.

Recognition at 93rd Auxiliary Department Convention for Unit 80

Unit 80 Committee Chairs were recognized with Awards at the 93rd Auxiliary Department Convention in Springfield. **Karen Greenwald** received the Marion's Balloonatic Plaque for Best Overall Participation for the report she submitted for the Past President's Parlay Committee. **Beverly Parrott** was awarded a Community Service Personal Award from the Department Historian. In addition, **Unit 80** received the Bea Allen Certificate of Appreciation for its contributions to the Auxiliary Education Fund. The **11th District** was also honored for its contributions to the Auxiliary Emergency Fund as well as receiving the Division Membership Award with 96.13% membership.

Help Restore Legion Fire Truck – August 4

The Legion is sponsoring a Family Bingo on Sunday, August 4th. The proceeds will go toward repairing the Post 80's Antique Fire Truck. The Auxiliary has been invited to help with the kitchen for this event. If you are able to help with the Bingo kitchen on August 4th, please contact Norma Border (630 971 1438).

Invitation to Second Division Officer Installation – August 17

Unit 80 members are invited to attend the Second Division American Legion Auxiliary installation on Saturday, August 17th at 2 pm at First United Methodist Church, 424 Forest Avenue in Glen Ellyn IL. Unit 80 member, Pegi Castle will be installed as the 2nd Division President for the 2013-2014 Legion Year along with her officer team which includes Unit 80 members, Therese Schey as Div. Secretary and Electa Chonko as Div. Sgt-at-Arms.

Please **RSVP by Aug 14th** to Pegi at 49 N Park Avenue #703, Lombard, IL 60148-2248, or phone 630 953 9662. If you are able to serve as a hostess for this event, please let Pegi know.

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Upcoming Auxiliary Meetings and Events:

Aug 4	**Family Bingo for Fire Truck Restoration**
Aug 17	**2nd Division Auxiliary Officer Installation, 2 pm**
Aug 24	**Post 80 - Officer Installations for Legion and Auxiliary**

Auxiliary Fiscal Year Wrap Up

Unit 80 will close out its budget year on August 15 in order to prepare for the new Auxiliary program year. *Note to all Unit Committee Chairs and Delegates:* Please turn in all outstanding receipts for the Auxiliary Program year 2012-2013 to Unit Treasurer, Joey Klingbiel (phone: 630-887-0868, address 7502 Brookbank, Willowbrook, IL 60527). Receipts should clearly indicate the committee these were budgeted to and if requesting reimbursement, they should be accompanied by a completed check request form, **Any receipt not turned in by 8/15/13 will not be reimbursed.**

Thank You for Your Thoughts and Prayers!

I want to thank all of the Unit members for their kind thoughts, prayers and many cards while I am recovering. Each is much appreciated and helps to speed my recovery!!

Respectfully submitted
Rosemary Collins

WHEELCHAIRS, WALKERS & CRUTCHES

Post 80 lends out wheel chairs, walkers and crutches to anyone that may need them. For more information, call Rich Jones at 630-964-2434.

Anyone who has borrowed a wheelchair, walker, or crutches and no longer needs them, please return them to Post 80 so they may be available for other veterans.

FAMILY BINGO

By Popular Demand This Will Be Our Second Family Bingo This Year

Family Bingo is scheduled for Sunday, August 4th.

This is a fun event for the entire family, which includes the kids and grandkids (youth under 18 years of age play for free. In addition to game winners, there will be raffels to win.

Doors open at 2:00pm and Bingo will be from 3pm to 6pm

The kitchen will be open for pizza and hot dogs (and maybe more) ***at nominal prices, plus the bar will be open. This popular event is also to Scout families and guests of the American Legion and Auxiliary.***

This is the first fund raising event which all proceeds will go toward the repairs of our ailing Fire Truck.

DD 214 REQUESTS

If you are in need of your **DD 214** go to the following website:

www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records

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American Legion Riders

American Legion Riders — Chapter 80 — August 2013 Update

Legion Rider 2013-2014 Officers Chosen
Following are our Legion Rider Chapter officers for the 2013-2014 Legion Year.
Director, Steve Collins
Secretary, Norma Border
Treasurer, John Pavich
Historian, Jack Border
Chaplain, Tim Sorenson
Sergeant at Arms, - Mike Klick

Upcoming Rides and Events
The next regular meeting for the Legion Riders will be on Monday, August 12th.

8/12	**Legion Rider Meeting — Post 80 — 7 pm**
8/16-18	Mississippi Valley Group Ride - TBD
9/28	Corn Fest Parade — Morris IL
11/3	Veteran's Day Parade — Utica, IL

The Legion Riders have the following fundraising events scheduled so far for 2013:

10/19	Legion Rider — Candlelight Charity Bowl — Lemont IL

COME JOIN US FOR THE FUN, SERVICE TO VETERANS AND THE RIDES!!
Legion Riders — Chapter 80 usually meets monthly on the second Saturday of each month at 10 am in the Post 80 Library. However, **the next Legion Rider meeting will be on Monday, August 12, 2013 at 7 pm.**

Legion Rider membership requires membership or affiliation with the American Legion and ownership of a 350cc or larger motorcycle.

Please check with Steve Collins, Director, (630-674-5077), John Pavich, Treasurer (630 541 5710), or Norma Border, Secretary (630-336-3422) to confirm meeting locations for any given month.

Check the Post 80 Newsletter and website for updates to the schedule.

Happy 90th Birthday, Nick!

SONS OF THE LEGION

Many S.A.L. members have not paid 2013 dues and 2014 renewal is around the corner. If you have received a 2013 notice and not paid, please send $7 to Post 80 attention S.A.L. and we will send your membership card to you. A further notice for the 2014 membership renewal will in the newsletter in the fall.

Gifts for Yanks

HELP

DISABLED & HOSPITALIZED VETERANS

AUGUST 9TH

ALEXANDER BRADLEY POST 80
DOWNERS GROVE, ILLINOIS

August 9th is Military Vehicle Night at the Downers Grove Friday Night Car Show and We will be solicting donations that evening for

Disabled & Hospitalized Veterans

If you are able to volunteer a couple of hours to help collect donations at the car show contact Rich Jones at (630) 964-2434

Donations may also be made by sending a check to:

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JOINT OFFICERS INSTALLATION

Saturday, August 24th

This year only the Legion Officers and Auxiliary Officers will be installed. The Joint Installation will be on Saturday, August 24th. Social Hour will be at 5PM, Dinner will be at 6PM. After dinner we will commence Post installation of Officers.

THOUGHT*OF*THE*MONTH:

Five rules to remember in Life: .

1) *Money cannot buy happiness, but its more comfortable to cry in a Bentley than on a bicycle!*

2) *Forgive your enemy, but remember the a__hole's name!*

3) *If you help someone when they're in trouble, they will remember you when they're in trouble again!*

4) *Many people are alive because it is illegal to shoot them!*

5) *Alcohol does not solve any problems, but then, neither does milk!*

SALUTE TO SERVICE:

① **Recognize & Salute Service in the community.**
② **Encourage service among our youth.**
③ **Salute our service men & women in our military.**
④ **Honor our heroes who made the ultimate sacrifice.**

---RWB

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1922..... Matilda Uhlorn
1923..... Myra Hawkins
1924..... Clara Nash Hawkins
1925..... Emily Sanders
1926..... Daisy Swift
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1928..... Mary Pfaff
1929..... Esther Binder
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1931..... Viola Vix
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8/6 Kitchen: Theresa S, Joey K, & Barb G.
Tickets: Leora N, Pam H.

8/13 Kitchen: Karen G., Nancy C., & Gloria P.
Tickets: Radicka J., Pam Q.

8/20 Kitchen: Kim C., Julie I, & Charlotte U.
Tickets: Evelyn F., Eleanor R.

8/27 Kitchen: Arlene G., Marge P.,
Tickets: Jane B., Pat M.

No Aux meeting in August

August 2013

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURDSAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
4 FAMILY BINGO Doors Open 2:00 pm	5	6 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	7 Business Meeting 7:30 pm	8	9 GIFTS FOR YANKS Collection at the Car Show	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 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 aM
18	19	20 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	21	22	23	24 CDC 8:30 am Joint Officers Installation 5 pm
25	26	27 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	28 Board Meeting 7:30 pm	29	30	31 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am

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