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1949....Fred W. Lester
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1977....Ed Knickerbocker
1978....Elmer J. Mears
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1981....Elmer W. Anderson
1982....Elmer W. Anderson
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1984....George R. Novak
1985....George R. Novak
1986....Bill Johnson
1987....A.E. Sheber
1988....David D. Wisbrock
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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
2011....Rich Greenwald
2012....Rich Greenwald

Commander's Column

At the June business meeting we elected the slate of officers recommended by the nominating committee for the 2013 - 14 Legion year. We have a good slate of officers to install in August. For most of us it will be our second year and with the cooperation and support we enjoyed in 2012 - 13, next year should be another successful year for the organization. On behalf of all officers, we appreciate the confidence and support of the membership.

We have a few events on the agenda this summer which present a good opportunity to become involved or to stay involved. The 4th of July Parade is a great opportunity to participate in a community event and enjoy the companionship of fellow Legionaries. The Boy Scout Troop will have breakfast for us at the Post in the morning (9am) and we will form up for the parade thereafter. We need marchers and will have a few vehicles for those who are not able to walk in the parade. The veteran's groups are always well received by the people along the parade route and the experience is always nice. The 4th of July parade is a really low impact event in terms of the amount of work involved, the village takes care of everything and our job is limited to showing up in sufficient numbers to lead a parade. Along with the VFW members, it would be great to have 20 or 30 participants. Don't stay home.

On August 4th we will have a family bingo with the proceeds going to fund the repair of our 1950's vintage antique fire truck. It is in the shop for a repair estimate right now and whatever the expense it will be considered un-budgeted. So invite your friends and family to the bingo, it will be a good time and for a good cause. On Friday evening August 9th we will have the annual Gifts for Yanks collection at the car show downtown. The money we collect will fund the Gifts for Yanks account which is used by the Service Committee throughout the year.

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This summer we congratulate Tom McHale who earned his certificate for 50 years of continuous membership in the American Legion. Also, happy birthday to Nick Brescia, dedicated member of Post 80, the A Team, and our Service Committee. Nick is 90 years young and we look forward to his companionship for many years to come.

Stay cool and stay positive.

Todd Hanson
Commander

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Auxiliary News – June 2013

REMINDER – Auxiliary Unit 80 does not have regular monthly meetings in either July or August. The next regular monthly Unit meeting will be on Sept. 9, 2013.

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 2013 no later than August 15, 2013.

Receipts should clearly indicate to which committee these were budgeted. If the Chair or committee member is requesting reimbursement, they should be accompanied with a completed check request form, to Unit Treasurer, Joey Klingbiel (phone: 630-887-0868, address 7502 Brookbank, Willowbrook, IL 60527). Any receipt not turned in by 8/15/13 will not be reimbursed.

Help Restore Legion Fire Truck

The Legion will be sponsoring a Family Bingo on Sunday, August 4th. The proceeds will help with the cost of repairing the Post'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 kitchen on August 4th, please contact Norma Border (630 971 1438).

Upcoming Auxiliary Meetings and Events:

July 4	Downers Grove Parade
July 10-13	Dept of Illinois – Convention – Springfield, IL
July 20	Rockin4theTroops – Cantigny Park – Wheaton IL
July 28	2nd Division – Installation of Officers – Rockford IL
Aug 4	Family Bingo for Fire Truck Restoration

93rd Auxiliary Department Convention

We are honored that Unit 80 member, Pegi Castle has been elected as the 2nd Division President for the 2013-2014 Legion Year. Pegi will be joining Norma Border and Karen Greenwald as the Unit 80 delegates to the 93rd Auxiliary Department Convention in Springfield.

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Thank You for Your Kind Thoughts!

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

Respectfully submitted
Rosemary Collins

On June 14th, Flag Day, members of Post 80 and Boy Scout Troop 80 conducted a flag retirement ceremony and respectfully destroyed a number of unusable American flags.

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.

NEW M60 TANK AT POST 80

DD 214 REQUESTS

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

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

Then go to Start your Military Service Record (DD Form 214) Request and follow the prompts and fill in the required information. It also has you print a signature sheet that you have to mail to them. When they receive the signature paper, they will send you an email confirming that they received it. Then in about 10 days, you'll receive 2 certified copies of your DD 214 and copies of your discharge orders.

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American Legion Riders

American Legion Riders – Chapter 80 – July 2013 Update

Legion Rider 2013-2014 Officers Chosen

Legion Riders – Chapter 80 have elected its new slate of officers for the 2013-2014 Legion Year. We congratulate the following Chapter officers:

Director, Steve Collins
Secretary, Norma Border
Treasurer, John Pavich
Historian, Jack Border
Chaplain, Tim Sorenson
Sergeant at Arms, - TBD

Recent Rides

The Legion Riders participated in the June 8th "Frogs4Freedom" Ride out to Savannah IL in support of the Navy Seals Support Foundation. On June 15th Chapter 80 members participated in the Annual Freedom Run in support of the Mideast Conflict Memorial Wall in Marseilles IL. On June 18th, our Legion Riders joined the Wooddale Post 1205 to provide an escort for the arrival of the Vietnam Memorial Traveling Wall at Post 1205.

Upcoming Rides and Events

The regular meeting for the Legion Riders for July would normally be on July 13th. However, this is in conflict with the Dept of Illinois Convention in Springfield. Therefore we are moving the Legion Rider regular meeting to July 1st at 7 pm at the Post.

7/1	**Legion Rider Meeting – Post 80 – 7 pm**
7/4	July 4th Parade – Downers Grove
7/20	Rockin for the Troops – OSOTIL – Cantigny, IL
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:

9/14	Post 80 Joint Rib Fest
10/6	Ocktober Fest
10/19	Legion Rider – Candlelight Charity Bowl – Lemont IL

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COME JOIN US FOR THE FUN, SERVICE TO VETERANS AND THE RIDES!!

Legion Riders – Chapter 80 meets monthly on the second Saturday of each month at 10 am in the Post 80 Library. The next Legion Rider meeting will be on June 8, 2013. 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.

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.

What fun we had at the Friday Night Social back in May!

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:

Gifts for Yanks
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4000 Saratoga Avenue
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VETERANS MAY NOW SALUTE THE FLAG!

U.S. Veterans May Now Salute Old Glory thanks to the efforts of U.S. Senator Jim Inhofe (R-OK). Inhofe's Senate Bill 1877 passed by unanimous consent, clarifying U.S. law to **allow veterans and servicemen <u>not in uniform</u> to salute the flag**. Previous law (US Code Title 4, Chapter 1) states that veterans and servicemen not in uniform should place their had over their heart without clarifying whether they can or should salute the flag.

SEC. 594. CONDUCT BY MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES AND VETERANS OUT OF UNIFORM DURING HOISTING, LOWERING, OR PASSING OF UNITED STATES FLAG.

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THOUGHT ✡ OF ✡ THE ✡ MONTH:

Makes sense to me!!

As I was lying in my bed pondering the problems of the world around me, I rapidly realized that I don't really give a rat's hiney!! It's the TORTOISE life for me!!

1). *If walking is good for your health, the postman would be immortal!!*

2). *A whale swims all day, only eats fish, drinks water, and is fat!!*

3). *A rabbit runs and hops around all day and only lives about 8 months!!*

4). *An average American, following the rules and instructions of his Doctor. is lucky to reach 75!!*

5). *A Tortoise doesn't run, and does nothing, Yet it lives up to 450 years!!*

And you tell me to exercise?? I don't think so!!
I'm retired!! Go around me!!.....

RWB

Life is a grindstone, and whether it grinds a man down or polishes him up depends on the stuff he is made of.....

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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
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1972..... Dorothy Kadlec
1973..... Margaret Morello
1974..... Ann Hodous
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1978..... Mildred Mueller
1979..... Catherine Smalley
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Tickets: Radicka J., Pam Q.

7/16 Kitchen: Kim C., Julie I, & Charlotte U.
Tickets: Evelyn F., Eleanor R.

7/23 Kitchen: Arlene G., Marge P., & Gloria P.
Tickets: Jane B., Pat M.

7/30 Kitchen: Karen G., Nancy C., & Gloria P.
Tickets: Leora N, Pam H.

No Aux meeting in July

July 2013

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURDSAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	3 Business Meeting 7:30 pm	4 4TH OF JULY PARADE!	5	6 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
7	8	9 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	10	11	12	13 CDC 8:30 am Legion Riders 10 am
14	15	16 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	17	18	19	20 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 aM
21	22	23 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	24 Board Meeting 7:30 pm	25	26	27 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
28	29	30 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	31			

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*