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## Commander's Column

Fall is rapidly sneaking up on us. If you're like me you wonder where the summer has gone. It seems like only yesterday I was putting away the snowthrower and getting the lawnmower ready to go, but the end of Daylight Savings Time on November 1<sup>st</sup> makes me realize the opposite needs to happen. Be sure to move your clocks back an hour or you'll be early for church.

Were you at Family Bingo? Both kids and adults had fun and a great time together, plus the Auxiliary had some great snacks available from the kitchen.

And if you missed it, the Legion Riders had an excellent turnout for their Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser. The net result was a nice amount to be used to help disadvantaged veterans, especially at Hines. I'm sure they extend their thanks to all that came.

As I mentioned last month, we are hosting a Veteran's Benefits Seminar on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to Noon, sponsored by Senator Christine Radogno & Representative Jim Durkin. It'll be set up in the format of a vendor fair so you'll be able to go from table to table at your own pace. There will be more than 35 vendors/representatives present to provide an excellent opportunity to learn what benefits you may be entitled to and how to obtain them. I urge you to attend.

Veterans' Day, Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, and many of our members attend high schools that have a day of ceremonies recognizing all that have served in the armed forces. This is a great opportunity for young students to learn about some of our fellow veterans' experiences. Please attend if you have the opportunity. Also, there will be a ceremony in front of the Post at 11:00 am and a Flag Retirement Ceremony at 7:00 pm outdoors with the support of the Boy Scouts.

Don't miss the deadline for registering your kids, grandchildren and/or great grandchildren to receive a gift from Santa on December 6<sup>th</sup>. They must be 10 or younger and attend to receive their gift. The form is in this newsletter, and please notice the deadline of November 17<sup>th</sup>; you don't want to miss it. Jeff Adams, our Junior Vice Commander, needs to know how many and what type of gifts to purchase.

One question I'm asked about all the time is "How are the bees doing?" Usually I've been able to respond that they're doing fine, though we had some serious setbacks this year. The honey was harvested in July and August, selling out at \$12 per 1# jar (less than that at the Farmers' Market) almost immediately. We were able to purchase a hive from someone going out of the bee business to replace the one lost at the Legion. After watching the production the last few months we were able to do another harvest last month as we prepared the hives for the winter. There's a very limited amount of honey for sale from this harvest, so contact Dick Rooney if you're interested in purchasing some. As you know, all the net profits go toward the Environmental Conservation Scholarship Award. In May, Dick Rooney awarded \$2,000 to several deserving senior high school students. It looks like we'll

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**Commander's Column....cont. from pg 3....**

be able to match that again this coming year by the skin of our teeth and some last minute cooperation from the hives at the Legion, Dick's house and my back yard.

Also with respect to the bees, we've been saving the wax cappings to be able to melt it into candles. It takes 4 times the effort for the bees to make honey instead of wax, so the availability of beeswax is somewhat limited. However, this year we're able to make beeswax candles available for sale to enhance the scholarship fund. There are a limited number of candles available. Please check the ad in the newsletter and contact Dick Rooney to place your order on a first come-first serve basis.

As we near the end of the month we look forward to Thanksgiving as a time for families to gather and be thankful for all that we have. I sincerely hope everyone has a safe and Happy Thanksgiving.

Regardless of age, always keep love alive. Love your partner, love life, love your family, love your neighbor and remember: "A person is not old as long as he has intelligence and affection."

May you always walk in sunshine.

Ed Ludwig, Commander.



## **Are you moving?**

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## Auxiliary News – Nov. 2015

### Year of the Cat “PurrFect Service to Our Veterans”

What a busy month October has turned out to be. The Auxiliary partnered with the Legion for Family Bingo on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. We offered our help to the Legion Riders on the 11<sup>th</sup> and helped serve at their spaghetti dinner fundraiser. Thanks to everyone who gave up time on the week-ends to come out and support the Legion family and all of the good work that they do.

At our October meeting we met two more girls that Unit 80 sponsored for Illinois Girls State. Brittany Pham and Harsha Koritala from Lisle Senior High School spoke about their experience last summer. The girls we have met are so confident and outgoing. Illinois is fortunate to have such a strong program in place. If anyone knows of a high school age girl who might be interested in the 2016 term, please have them contact Bev Parrott. We would like to sponsor at least 4 girls. It will be a week that they will greatly benefit from.

The Auxiliary, Legion, and members of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church will continue to pay visits to the vets that are living in retirement homes. Arden Courts residents look forward to the music, snacks, and conversation that the Auxiliary women and the Legion members provide on a regular basis. These daytime events are open to anyone who would like to join the visits. You can contact Therese Schey for more information. All are welcome.

Our standing rules and Constitution are now up to date with the membership/dues changes. Thanks to Norma Border for her help in coordinating the revisions. If you have not received a renewal form for 2016 in the mail, you can either submit your \$18.00 check to me or you can renew on line by going to the National Website and renewing there. You will need to enter a credit card number for payment. Remember that any renewal that does not arrive in the National office's mailbox by late December will be subject to the dues increase and must be paid at \$24.00.

As the days get shorter and the temperatures drop, it is tempting to stay home in the evening. I hope that you will continue to support



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the Auxiliary and attend all meetings. We have several volunteers who are happy to pick you up and take you home. I can be reached at [krupin5259@comcast.net](mailto:krupin5259@comcast.net) or by phone at 630-915-7823 if you would like a ride. November's meeting will be a special one as we are having a guest speaker from the Spice Merchants shop in downtown Downers Grove. She will bring along some teas to sample and also speak about using spices in your daily cooking. With the holidays coming up, you won't want to miss this meeting. Speaking of the holidays, our December meeting will again be a pot luck and include a grab bag. We will be starting the December meeting at 6:00 so mark your calendars now so you don't forget the earlier start. Come out for a good meal and join in wishing each other a Merry Christmas.

November 7th, the Legion is sponsoring a Veteran's Expo and Blood Drive at the post from 8:30 to 12:30. The Auxiliary will be having a table and providing morning coffee and sweets in addition to information on the Auxiliary and membership forms. Please let any vets that you know about the Expo and encourage them to attend.

Our next meeting is November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00. Come out and see what Unit 80 is up to and also to sample a few new holiday tea flavors.



## **Service Committee Update**

On September 24th the Service Committee took ten Veterans from DuPage Convalescent Home to lunch at Maxfield's Restaurant in Lombard. Several of them commented on how much fun they had and how much they enjoy the food at Maxfield's. They really enjoy the chance to get out of the home for awhile and have a good meal and some conversation with fellow Veterans. So, thanks to everybody who came along to help. The Veterans and I really appreciate it.

Rich Jones, Service Officer



# VETERANS DAY ACTIVITIES



## Post 80 Veterans Day



Ceremony and Memorial Service

**Wednesday - November 11th**

We will commemorate the service of veterans of all wars  
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# Flag Retirement

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**Wednesday - November 11th - 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.*





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## FAMILY BINGO MADE 30 KIDS HAPPY!

Even though the number attending was less than expected, Family Bingo was as fun as ever for both the players and volunteer workers! A special thanks to those that made this happen:



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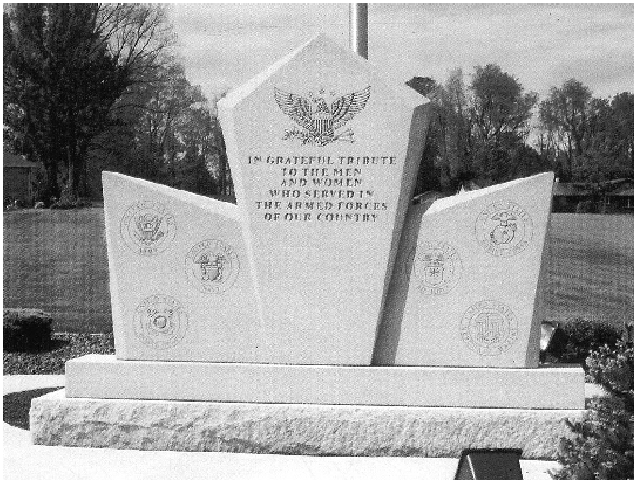
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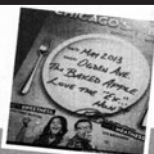
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NOVEMBER 2015

# American Legion Riders



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American Legion Riders – Chapter 80 –November 2015 Update

Legion Rider membership requires membership or affiliation with the American Legion and ownership of a 350cc or larger motorcycle. Annual dues are \$20.00. Please check with Director, Mike Klick, (708.670.1475), or Marge Pavich, Secretary (630-721-1834) to confirm meeting locations for any given month.

## **UPCOMING RIDES AND EVENTS**

Check the Post 80 Newsletter and web site at [post80.org/legion-riders](http://post80.org/legion-riders) for updates for the Legion Rider meeting and event schedule.

Oct. 31st. Operation Support Our Troops Warehouse (9 am-12 pm)

Nov. 1st. Utica Veterans Parade

Next Meeting: November 7th. at 9 am

Mike Klick  
Director ALR





## MEMBERSHIP GOAL GETTING CLOSER !!



With 289 members as of 10/18 we're at 78% of our 371 goal. Even though the membership year is from July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, National is raising dues by \$5 beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>, as you may have read in the Legion magazine this past month. This means we will be paying the National \$5 more per member after January 1<sup>st</sup>.

To avoid paying this extra amount we need you to pay your dues ASAP, if you haven't already.

The state normally sends out 3 separate notices. Once you pay your dues, those notices will stop coming. So, if you're one of 117 that haven't paid yet, please mail your check for \$40 (payable to American Legion Post 80) to avoid getting more notices and help us avoid paying the extra fee to National this year. Send your dues to:

American Legion Post 80  
Attn.: Nicole Dedick, Adjutant  
4000 Saratoga Ave.  
Downers Grove, IL 60515

Equally important, come join us Saturday mornings at 9:00 am for coffee and donuts, or Tuesdays at Bingo, or at one of our other activities (check the website calendar at [www.post80.org](http://www.post80.org)).

*Special Note: If your membership was not paid in 2014, National has changed your status to EXPIRED; that means any years you may have been a member are now considered NONE. As a further result this will be the last newsletter you will receive. Please reconsider renewing your membership.*





## DID YOU KNOW



## HOW TO GET VETERAN'S DISCOUNTS (2015)

1. Get a copy of your DD-214 if you do not already have one.
2. Go to an office of the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs (not the VA). There are many offices around the State including one in the Thompson State Office Building (The Atrium), 100 W Randolph Street, Suite 5-0570, Chicago, IL 60601. This building has security similar to an airport. There is also an office in the DuPage County complex, 421 N County Farm Rd, Room 2-600A, Wheaton, IL 60187. In Aurora, there is the DuPage County Vet Center, 750 Shoreline Dr., Suite 150, Aurora, IL 60504. [www.illinois.gov/veterans](http://www.illinois.gov/veterans)
3. Take a paper copy of your DD-214. The wallet version will not work because they need to stamp the back. In my case they made a photocopy of my original DD-214, stamped the back of the photocopy, and returned both of them to me. They will register you in the VA computer system if you are not already in it.
4. Take the stamped DD-214 and your driver's license to an office of the Illinois Secretary of State which issues driver's licenses. They will keep the stamped DD-214 and issue you a driver's license that says "Veteran" on it. They charged me \$5.00.
5. BONUS: If you are a senior over 65, while you are at the Secretary of State's Office, apply for an Illinois Senior Discount card also. You will need your driver's license or other photo ID, proof of your social security number, date of birth, and Illinois residency. They will take your picture and give you a non-expiring ID card.

Cheers! Rick McLaren, Senior Vice Commander



COME TO SEN. CHRISTINE RADOGNO,  
REP. JIM DURKIN & REP. RON SANDACK'S

# 2015 VETERANS EXPO & BLOOD DRIVE

To schedule  
to give blood,  
call LifeSource at  
877-543-3768.  
Walk-ins are also  
welcome.

**SATURDAY,  
NOVEMBER 7**

**8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

**American Legion  
Post 80  
4000 Saratoga Avenue  
Downers Grove**

## PARTICIPANTS

AIM Center for  
Independent Living  
American Legion  
Post 80

Department of Central  
Management Services

DeVry Military  
Resource Center

DuPage County Circuit  
Court Clerk

DuPage County Office  
of Homeland Security

DuPage County  
Sheriff's Office

DuPage County Veteran  
Assistance Commission

DuPage County  
Workforce  
Development Division  
Hines V.A. Hospital

IBEW Local 701

Illinois Department of  
Employment Security

Illinois Department of  
Human Services

Illinois Department of  
Veterans Affairs

Illinois Housing  
Development Authority

Illinois Student  
Assistance Commission

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Warrior

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Veterans

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## RESOURCE INFO

Counseling

Apprenticeship  
Opportunities

Legal Support Center  
Healthcare

Job Opportunities

Mobile Health Clinic  
(for Eligible Veterans)

Home Ownership

Peer to Peer Support

Education Benefits  
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## CONTACT INFO

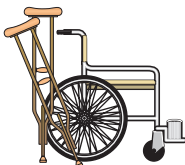
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## WHEELCHAIRS, WALKERS & CRUTCHES



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.

### VETERANS CRISIS LINE

**1-800-273 TALK (8255)**

*AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY,  
7 DAYS A WEEK.*

When callers press "1" they are immediately connected with a qualified and caring provider.

### NATIONAL CALL

#### CENTER FOR HOMELESS,

assists homeless veterans, at-risk veterans, their families and other interested parties with linkages to appropriate

VA and community-based resources, *24 HOURS A DAY,  
7 DAYS A WEEK,*

**1-877-4AID VET**

**(1-877-424-3838)**





2015



Post 80  
children's  
christmas  
Party

*Sunday, December 6, 2015 from 2:00-5:00pm*

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 17th. 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

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For more information contact Jeff Adams at  
(630)291-0550 or [jsa64@comcast.net](mailto:jsa64@comcast.net)





## THOUGHTS FOR THE MONTH:

Thanksgiving is a day for thanks .

*A day in which we see or hear  
or feel the wonders of  
the other moments of the year.*

*This is a day for time,  
a day in which we think of pasts  
that make our present rich  
and future bountiful.*

*This is a day for joy,  
a day in which we share a gift of  
laughter, warm and gentle as a smile.  
A day for the fine addition to our lives,  
The American Legion has given us*

*Above all, this is a day for peace.  
So let us touch each other  
and know that we are one.  
For these and other blessings,  
We give thanks.....*

RWB







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**ASST. SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.....ARLENE GUEST**

DUES: AUXILIARY \$18.00/YEAR JR. AUX \$4.00/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  
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  
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**1994....Midge Zielinski**  
**1995....Boneta Wisbrock**  
**1996....Leora Novak**  
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**2010....Rosemary Collins**  
**2011....Karen Greenwald**  
**2012....Karen Greenwald**  
**2013....Rosemary Collins**  
**2014....Kim Cruz**  
**2015....Kim Cruz**

*Italics denotes deceased*



## Bingo Workers

11/3 Kitchen: Therese S., Joey K.,  
& Sharon T.  
Tickets: Marianne P. & Bonnie B.

11/10 Kitchen: Karen G., Pam H.,  
& Gloria P.  
Tickets: Pam Q. & Radika J.

11/17 Kitchen: Kim C., Julie I.,  
& Charlotte U.  
Tickets: Eleanor R. & Norma B.

11/24 Kitchen: Jean K., Arlene G.,  
& Donna R.  
Tickets: Pam M. & Jane B.

*November Hostesses:*  
**Karen G., Pam H., & Sharon T.**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 	2	3 BINGO 6:45 pm Doors Open 4:00 pm	4 Business Meeting 7:30 pm	5	6	7 CDC 8:30 am Veterans Benefits Seminar 9 am
8	9 Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 pm	10 BINGO 6:45 pm Doors Open 4:00 pm	11 Veterans Day Ceremony 11:00 am Flag Retirement 7:00 pm	12	13	14 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
15	16	17 BINGO 6:45 pm Doors Open 4:00 pm	18 County Meeting Roselle Post 1084	19	20	21 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
22	23	24 BINGO 6:45 pm Doors Open 4:00 pm	25 Board of Directors Meeting 7:30 pm	26 	27	28 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
29	30	 <h1>November 2015</h1>				
<b>WEATHERLORE:</b> <i>A heavy November snow will last till April. Thunder in November, a fertile year to come. Flowers in bloom late in autumn indicate a bad winter.</i>		<b>ELIGIBILITY DATES</b> <b>WORLD WAR I</b> APRIL 6, 1917 - NOVEMBER 11, 1918 • <b>VIETNAM</b> FEBRUARY 28, 1961 - MAY 7, 1975 <b>WORLD WAR II</b> DECEMBER 7, 1941 - DECEMBER 31, 1946 • <b>KOREAN WAR</b> JUNE 25, 1950 - JANUARY 31, 1955 <b>• GRENADA &amp; LEBANON</b> AUGUST 24, 1982 - JULY 31, 1984 • <b>OPER. JUST CAUSE IN PANAMA</b> DECEMBER 20, 1989 - JAN. 31, 1990 • <b>PERSIAN GULF</b> AUGUST 2, 1990 - cessation of hostilities				