

BINGO WORKERS

February 3rd

TICKETS: Lorraine Donegan

Mary Pizzo

KITCHEN: Pat Mustradi

Leora Novak

Carol Cermack

Rylla

February 10th

TICKETS: Midge Zielinski

Jane Bernadini

KITCHEN: Kathy Pleet

Ilene Kuhnert

Michele Window

Leora Novak

February 17th

TICKETS: Eleanor Richards

Kathleen Hotchkiss

KITCHEN: Rosemary Collins

Carol Cermack

Eileen Mears

February 24th

TICKETS: Alice Dunn

Rosalyn Gizzi

KITCHEN: Kathleen Pleet

Dolores Harrison

Julie Isenberger

Arlene Guest

Meeting

February 16th

Leora Novak

Carol Cermack

Jane Bernadini



February 2009



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Superbowl	2 Groundhog Day	3 Bingo 6:30p.m	4 Business Meeting 7:30p.m	5	6 Social Nite 7:00p.m.	7 Family Bingo 5:30p.m
8	9	10 Bingo 1/2 Price Night	11 County Meeting @ Elmhurst Post 7:30p.m	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13 Social Nite 7:00p.m.	14 Valentine's Day
15	16 Auxiliary Meeting Presidents' Day	17 Bingo 6:30p.m	18	19	20 Social Nite 7:00p.m.	21 Legion Rider 10:00a.m.
22 Washington's Day Poker Tournament 12:00 Noon	23	24 Bingo 6:30p.m.	25 Board Meeting 7:30p.m	26	27 Social Nite 7:00p.m.	28

ELIGIBILITY DATES

WORLD WAR I—APRIL 6, 1917 - NOVEMBER 11, 1918

KOREAN WAR—JUNE 25, 1950 - JANUARY 31, 1955

GRANADA & LEBANON - AUGUST 24, 1982 - JULY 31, 1984

WORLD WAR II—DECEMBER 7, 1941 - DECEMBER 31, 1946

VIETNAM—FEBRUARY 28, 1961 - MAY 7, 1975

OPER. JUST CAUSE IN PANAMA—DECEMBER 20, 1989 - JAN. 31, 1990

PERSIAN GULF—AUGUST 2, 1990 - cessation of hostilities



Commander's Column

It is amazing to me how often we hear about something and forget about it. For the past six years Dick Bernardini and Herb Morrison have collected bunches of stamps and passed them on to Hines Hospital or DuPage Convalescence Center for the Vets to use in rehabilitation. They have given some of the stamps to Boy Scouts towards their stamp collection merit badge. Over the years I have heard them speak about this and I never took the time to say thank you. Sooo.. Thank You. While I am saying thank you I should include Joe Hinton, Joe Pappalardo, Rich Mueller and Pete Tepler for pulling together the New Year's Eve party that was held at the Post. The estimate was about 30 post members and their guests. Everyone in attendance said they had a good time.

Our membership is stuck around the number 428 which is 50 members short of our goal for the year. If you have not sent in your dues yet please do so. By reaching our goal we will be able to continue some of our important projects. Speaking of projects I have signed the contract for the Vietnam Movable Wall. It will be in place from October 1st to the 5th and there are literally 10's of ways to get involved. We are using a separate bank account for the donations. Through your generosity we have already paid the Post's general fund back some of the deposit money. We still have a long way to go before we hit our \$6,000 goal.

The Post, like all of us, is feeling the pinch of the economy. We have had two fundraisers in January; the pancake breakfast and a poker night. We are looking for new ways of producing revenue. If you have any ideas please let me know.

I can not let February go with out leaving you the following Valentine's Day song lyrics from Crosby, Stills, Nash & Young "And if you can't be, with the one you love, honey, love the one you're with." - Woody



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

I offer to you something for refection;

Star-spangled banner

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watch'd were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

On the shore, dimly seen through the mists of the deep,
Where the foe's haughty host in dread silence reposes,
What is that which the breeze, o'er the towering steep,
As it fitfully blows, half conceals, half discloses?
Now it catches the gleam of the morning's first beam,
In full glory reflected now shines in the stream;
'Tis the star-spangled banner—O long may it wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave!

And where is that band, who so valiantly swore,
That the havoc of war and the battle's confusion,
A home and a country should leave us no more?
Their blood has wash'd out their foul footsteps' pollution;
No refuge could save the hireling or slave
From the terror of flight or the gloom of the grave,
And the star-spangled banner in triumph doth wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

O, thus be it ever when freemen shall stand
Between their lov'd homes and the war's desolation!
Blest with vict'ry and peace, may the heav'n-rescued land
Praise the power that hath made and preserved us a nation!
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,
And this be our motto: "In God is our trust."
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.



Department of Illinois Commander

I learned today that Department of Illinois Commander Hudson was taken to the hospital this weekend with a serious case of pneumonia. It is believed the pneumonia was brought on by medication after the Commander's last chemo treatment. He is in intensive care at Christ Hospital in Oak Lawn. I'm sure cards would be welcomed.



Post 80 Color Guard at the Driveheart Fund Raiser

Sick Call

Please keep the named people in your prayers, or if you prefer raise your glasses in a toast to them, for a speedy recovery.

To: Larry Bryant
Jim Shanahan
Bill Westrup

William Morrison
Bob Jenson





POST 80 EMAIL DIRECTORY

I am creating an email directory of Post 80 members which will allow us to contact each other in between newsletters.

To get added, please email me at richwmueller@yahoo.com. I will send you a confirmation that you have been added to our list.

Rich Mueller

POKER TOURNAMENTS
Sunday Feb 22, and Mar 29

Post 80 has begun poker tournaments which are licensed by the state through our Charitable Gaming license. The tournaments run from 12 noon to 12 midnight with different tournaments starting every few hours. We are assisted in the tournaments by Chicago Charitable Games. Players must be 18 years old and the tournaments are open to the public. Entry fees range from \$40 on up. If you or someone you know enjoys poker, please attend. Thousands of dollars are paid as prize money to winners. Rich Mueller

ATTENTION MEMBERS
ALEXANDER BRADLEY BURNS POST 80
90TH ANNIVERSARY

All members of the Legion, Women's Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, and Legion Riders. We will be taking pictures for the Anniversary every Wednesday and Saturday 'til May 25th, Please call to make an appointment (630-968-9710), If any questions please contact Rich Greenwald, Sr. Vice at (630-269-5898).



Family Bingo back on February 7th by Popular Demand

Family Bingo is scheduled for Saturday, February 7th at the request of the many past attendees and additional requests. 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 5:30pm to allow time to get your cards and settle in. The kitchen is open for pizza and hot dogs (maybe more) at nominal prices, plus the bar will be open.

The games start at 6:30pm.

This popular and enjoyable event is also open to Scout families and guests of the Legion and Auxiliary.

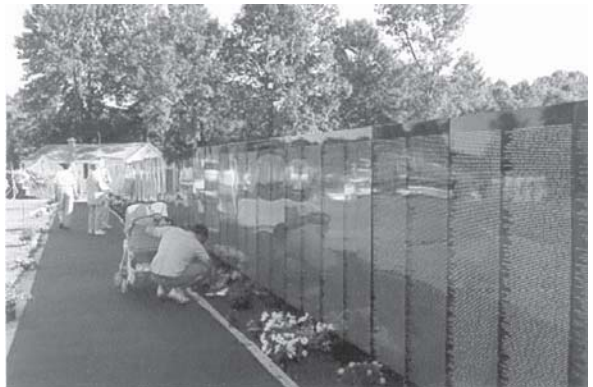
Vietnam Moving Wall

The Vietnam Moving Wall is coming to Alexander Bradley Burns Post 80, The American Legion, October 1 through October 5, 2009. To cover costs, we are seeking a \$2 donation from 3,000 people. Please ask your friends, relatives, and co-workers to donate also.

Please mail or bring your donation to:

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

www.post80.org
630-968-9710





Attention Baseball Fans

Mark your calendars for May 24th. I am planning an outing for all post and auxiliary members including their families and friends to attend the ballgame with the Kane County cougars. The Game starts at 6:00PM. This would be a fun time for us all. There will be fireworks that night. If we get twenty people or more the box seats are \$12.00 per person. These seats are on the west side of home plate. We will have the sun to our backs and some shade possibly. We can have a chartered a bus to take us to the game and return us to the post.



The cut off date is April 2nd

to purchase your box seat tickets at home plate. Please make checks payable to American Legion Post 80 for \$23 per person, which includes the cost of transportation (\$11.00 for chartered bus). The incentive to purchase tickets by April 2nd is four undated tickets good for any game for the rest of the season. Two pair of these tickets will be raffled off on Game Day to all who attend. So get your money in ASP.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Number of people: ____ x \$23.00= _____ (Total)

Rich Greenwald Sr. Vice



THOUGHT-OF-THE-MONTH

Now that we are into a new year, let's review a few of
"Life's little things."

- ◆ Remember that a successful marriage depends on 2 things: (1) finding the right person, and (2) **Being** the right person
- ◆ Learn to listen. Opportunity sometimes knocks very softly
- ◆ Don't expect money to bring happiness
- ◆ Make it a habit to do nice things
- ◆ Don't forget, a person's greatest emotional need is to feel appreciated
- ◆ When someone is relating an important event that's happened to them, don't try to top them with a story of your own. Let them have the stage
- ◆ Use credit cards only for convenience, never for credit
- ◆ Use your wit to amuse, not to abuse
- ◆ Introduce yourself to the manager where you bank. It's important that he/she knows you personally
- ◆ Leave the toilet seat in the down position
- ◆ Read carefully anything that requires a signature. Remember the big print giveth and the small print taketh away
- ◆ Never encourage anyone to become a Lawyer

And while you're at it:

- ◆ Criticize in private.
- ◆ Never forget your anniversary.
- ◆ Observe the speed limit.
- ◆ Don't carry a grudge.
- ◆ Be suspicious of all Politicians.
- ◆ Avoid negative people.
- ◆ Never use profanity.
- ◆ Learn CPR.
- ◆ Remember people's names.
- ◆ Be active in Legion Post 80.



PRESIDENT ROSEMARY COLLINS
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CHAPLAIN DOLORES HARRISON
HISTORIAN KATHLEEN HOTCHKISS
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS LOUISE LEWANSKI
ASST. SERGEANT-AT-ARMS ARLENE GUEST

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
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 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



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SGT-AT-ARMSFRANK RISKY
HISTORIAN DICK BERNARDINI
CHAPLAIN.....JACK BORDER
JUDGE ADVOCATEJACK BORDER
SERVICE OFFICER..... HERB MORRISON
969-1655
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DUES: LEGION \$35.00/YEAR / S.A.L. \$ 7.00/YEAR

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| 1919.... <i>Walter Staats</i> | 1948.... <i>Eugene Weaver</i> | 1978.... Elmer J. Mears |
| 1920.... <i>Robert W. Carpenter</i> | 1949.... <i>Fred W. Lester</i> | 1979.... <i>Dudley E. Smalley</i> |
| 1921.... <i>Jay Allison</i> | 1950.... <i>Harvey H. Kenitz</i> | 1980.... <i>Jens P. Vimtrup</i> |
| 1922.... <i>Dan M. Diener</i> | 1951.... <i>Joseph R. Krepper</i> | 1981.... <i>Elmer W. Anderson</i> |
| 1923.... <i>Norman E. Anderson</i> | 1952.... <i>Gilbert G. Giesler</i> | 1982.... <i>Elmer W. Anderson</i> |
| 1924.... <i>Henry Swift</i> | 1953.... <i>Andrew S. Blaida</i> | 1983.... <i>Frank J. Bulin</i> |
| 1925.... <i>Morris E. Stevenson</i> | 1954.... <i>Herschel Hubbard</i> | 1984.... <i>George R. Novak</i> |
| 1926.... <i>William E. Hooper</i> | 1955.... <i>A.R. Fister</i> | 1985.... <i>George R. Novak</i> |
| 1927.... <i>Harold H. Clarke</i> | 1956.... <i>Dino Convalle</i> | 1986.... <i>Bill Johnson</i> |
| 1928.... <i>George Hannan</i> | 1957.... <i>Tony F. Morello</i> | 1987.... <i>A.E. Sheber</i> |
| 1929.... <i>A.T. Witt</i> | 1958.... <i>W.H. Schenke</i> | 1988.... David D. Wisbrock |
| 1930.... <i>Arthur Johnson</i> | 1959.... <i>James L. Newall</i> | 1989.... David D. Wisbrock |
| 1931.... <i>A.T. Witt</i> | 1960.... <i>Edwin D. Wrenn</i> | 1990.... David D. Wisbrock |
| 1932.... <i>A.J. Walter</i> | 1961.... <i>Bernard J. Blaida</i> | 1991.... <i>Gilbert J. Gawin</i> |
| 1933.... <i>J. Richard Hawkins</i> | 1962.... <i>Louis W. Wrenn</i> | 1992.... <i>Gilbert J. Gawin</i> |
| 1934.... <i>Melvin G. Binder</i> | 1963.... <i>James R. Hodous</i> | 1993.... <i>Ken Gallagher</i> |
| 1935.... <i>L.J. Dixon</i> | 1964.... <i>Jerry Kopecky</i> | 1994.... Richard Bernardini |
| 1936.... <i>William A. Finger</i> | 1965.... <i>Earl W. Will</i> | 1995.... Emery Wolff |
| 1937.... <i>G. Willard McCollum</i> | 1966.... Leonard J. Voss | 1996.... <i>Curt McCullagh</i> |
| 1938.... <i>Leslie L. Meyer</i> | 1967.... <i>Gene Kappelman</i> | 1997.... Larry Bryant |
| 1939.... <i>Charles Dyer</i> | 1968.... <i>Alois E. Sheber</i> | 1998.... Larry Bryant |
| 1940.... <i>Newell Fishel</i> | 1969.... <i>Mason Taylor</i> | 1999.... John Magic |
| 1941.... <i>Rollin Whitaker</i> | 1970.... <i>William Harkness</i> | 2000.... Jack Border |
| 1942.... <i>Ivan M. Webster</i> | 1971.... <i>Earl W. Will</i> | 2001.... Jack Border |
| 1943.... <i>Thomas C. Arndt</i> | 1972.... <i>Steven J. Kadlec</i> | 2002.... <i>Bob Isenberger</i> |
| 1944.... <i>Wallace S. Whitlock</i> | 1973.... <i>Joseph A. Bartels</i> | 2003.... <i>Bob Isenberger</i> |
| 1945.... <i>Stanley A. Lynch</i> | 1974.... <i>Zedo Oliver</i> | 2004.... Joe Pappalardo |
| 1946.... <i>Louis A. Edwards</i> | 1975.... Herbert Morrison | 2005.... Richard Rooney |
| Italics denotes deceased | 1976.... <i>Chester Kotowski</i> | 2006.... Richard Rooney |
| 1947.... <i>Thomas J. Lanagan</i> | 1977.... Ed Knickerbocker | 2007.... Richard Mueller |
| | | 2008.... Richard Mueller |