

BINGO WORKERS

October 7th

TICKETS: Jane Bernardini
Midge Zielinski

KITCHEN: Leora Novak
Pat Mustradi
Michelle

October 14th

TICKETS: Mary Pizzo

Lorraine Donegan
KITCHEN: Leora Novak
Rylla

October 21st

TICKETS: Eleanor Richards
Evelyn Fredericks
KITCHEN: Arlene Guest

Karen Greenwald

October 28th

TICKETS: Alice Dunn

Rosalyn Gizzi

KITCHEN: Dolores Harrison
Rosemary Collins
Julie Isenberger

Helping as Hostesses

October 19th

Meeting

Kathy Pleet

Lorraine Donegan

Mary Pizzo

October 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Business Meeting 8:00 PM	2	3 Social Nite 7:00 p.m.	4 Family Night Bingo @ 5:30
5 Bears Game 11:00 a.m. At the Post	6	7 BINGO 6:45 p.m.	8 County Meeting Wheaton	9	10 Social Nite 7:00 p.m.	11
11 Bears Game 11:00 a.m. At the Post	13 Columbus Day	14 BINGO 6:45 p.m.	15	16	17 Social Nite 7:00 p.m.	18
19 Bears Game 11:00 a.m. At the Post	20 Auxiliary Meeting	21 BINGO 6:45 p.m.	22 Board Meeting 8:00 PM	23	24 Social Nite 7:00 p.m.	25
26	27	28 1/2 Price BINGO 6:45 p.m.	29	30	31 Social Nite 7:00 p.m. Halloween	

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

October 2008



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CHAPLAIN..... JACK BORDER
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DUES: LEGION \$35.00/YEAR / S.A.L. \$ 7.00/YEAR

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 C. Arndt</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 Pappalarido
1946.... <i>Louis A. Edwards</i>	1975.... Herbert Morrison	2005.... Richard Rooney
Italics denotes deceased	1976.... <i>Chester Kotowski</i>	2006.... Richard Mueller
1947.... <i>Thomas J. Lanagan</i>	1977.... Ed Knickerbocker	2007.... Richard Mueller
		2008.... Richard Mueller



PRESIDENT ROSEMARY COLLINS
VICE PRESIDENT EVELYN FEDERICKS
SECRETARY PAT MISTRADI
TREASURER..... JANE BERNARDINI
CHAPLAIN..... GERRY GRAGG
HISTORIAN KATHLEEN HOTCHKISS
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS LOUISE LEWANSKI
ASST. SERGEANT-AT-ARMS ARLENE GUEST

DUES: AUXILIARY \$13.50/YEAR

1920.... <i>Margaret Bebb</i>	1949.... <i>Vivian Harkness</i>	1979.... <i>Catherine Smalley</i>
1921.... <i>Jessie Straub</i>	1950.... <i>Christine McGarvie</i>	1980....Frances North
1922.... <i>Matilda Uhlorn</i>	1951....Shirley Wrenn	1981....Anne Creel
1923.... <i>Myra Hawkins</i>	1952.... <i>Letitia Mrkvicka</i>	1982.... <i>Henrietta Gerz-Zurek</i>
1924.... <i>Clara Nash Hawkins</i>	1953.... <i>Corabelle Krepper</i>	1983.... <i>Henrietta Gerz-Zurek</i>
1925.... <i>Emily Sanders</i>	1954.... <i>Christine McGarvie</i>	1984....Anne Creel
1926.... <i>Daisy Swift</i>	1955.... <i>Elsie Niedner</i>	1985.... <i>Genevieve Kotowski</i>
1927.... <i>Florence Johnson</i>	1956....Kathleen Hotchkiss	1986.... <i>Genevieve Kotowski</i>
1928.... <i>Mary Pfaff</i>	1957.... <i>Marian Lacey</i>	1987....Ethel Clark
1929.... <i>Esther Binder</i>	1958....Evelyn Fredericks	1988....Bonita Wisbrock
1930.... <i>Beulah McCollum</i>	1959....Shirley Schenke	1989....Eleanor Bartels
1931.... <i>Viola Vix</i>	1960....Margaret Morello	1990....Bonita Wisbrock
1932.... <i>Bernice Goltry</i>	1961.... <i>Marian Ruzicka</i>	1991.... <i>Henrietta Gerz-Zurek</i>
1933.... <i>Mae Jones</i>	1962.... <i>Margaret Edwards</i>	1992.... <i>Henrietta Gerz-Zurek</i>
1934.... <i>Bernice Hannan</i>	1963.... <i>Alice Pechinski</i>	1993.... <i>Henrietta Gerz-Zurek</i>
1935.... <i>Marie Finger</i>	1964.... <i>Alice Pechinski</i>	1994....Midge Zielinski
1936.... <i>Evelyn Walter</i>	1965....Anne Creel	1995....Boneta Wisbrock
1937.... <i>Josephine Mitchell</i>	1966....Evelyn Jenkins	1996....Leora Novak
1938.... <i>Lorraine Edwards</i>	1967....Dorothy Nied	1997....Leora Novak
1939.... <i>Ethel Margison</i>	1968....Eleanor Bartels	1998.... <i>Henrietta Gerz-Zurek</i>
1940.... <i>Vera Iehl</i>	1969.... <i>Alice Pechinski</i>	1999.... <i>Henrietta Gerz-Zurek</i>
1941.... <i>Mabel Webster</i>	1970.... <i>Helen Beck</i>	2000...Lorraine Vimtrup
1942.... <i>Muriel Fischel</i>	1971.... <i>Jeanette Foster</i>	2001...Leora Novak
1943.... <i>Ruth Karvatt</i>	1972....Dorothy Kadlec	2002.... <i>Henrietta Gerz-Zurek</i>
1944.... <i>Emily Mrkvicka</i>	1973....Margaret Morello	2003...Midge Zielinski
1945.... <i>Flossie Dreuttel</i>	1974.... <i>Ann Hodous</i>	2004...Bonnie Wisbrock
1946.... <i>Minnie Lester</i>	1975.... <i>Ann Hodous</i>	2005...Bonnie Wisbrock
1947.... <i>Esther Weaver</i>	1976....Eleanor Bartels	2006...Bonnie Wisbrock
1948.... <i>Myrtle Kraft</i>	1977.... <i>Alice Pechinski</i>	2007...Bonnie Wisbrock
Italics denotes deceased	1978.... <i>Mildred Mueller</i>	2008...Bonnie Wisbrock



Commander's Column

Pride, not pride in possessions or false pride, but the stuff of true character, the real pride in our organization, is contagious. I am talking about the quiet pride we feel about being part, whether active or not, of a Post that accomplishes all we do. When I talk about the American Legion I am talking about the families, the Legion members, the Auxiliary, and the Sons of the American Legion. We all have well deserved pride in our organization. We have a well established post. At the National, State and Local levels, when we speak for our membership people tend to listen. We as a Post will try new things while honoring the old.

Examples abound such as the gentle pride with which Bruno Maestri conducts himself, while being integral to Bingo. Bruno turns 91 in October and would have every right to sit back and relax; instead he is at the Legion supporting a major fundraiser every Tuesday Night. Dick Rooney, who became interested in and pursued on our grounds beekeeping through his own time, energy and money. He now wants to endow a scholarship in the Legion's name by selling the honey. Or the quiet pride that a father showed at the Labor Day Picnic when he signed up his daughter who had been just discharged from the Navy. This pride is contagious!

The key now is to share the pride with your friends, civic groups, or even church group. You are the key to what kind of Post we leave for future generations. Year after year we try to recruit new members while retaining the old. Some Posts leave it up to a committee and in some posts it lands on the shoulders of a few. **I am asking each of you for your help.** Please talk about what is good about our Post and seek recruits. If each of us just brings in one new member, we will be leaving a Post that our children, grandchildren or great grand children can enjoy.

It is very easy to leave it up to someone else - why should you worry about the Post twenty or fifty years from now? Because besides it being
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the right thing to do, we owe the Post our best attempt to pass on as strong a Post as we can to those who are yet to come.

Do you carry with you an application? Do you have one of our brochures with you that you can give a potential new member? Probably not. Why not pick up some and put them in your glove compartment? If you know of someone who has dropped out of our membership, find out why and let's rectify the situation.

You do not have to be active in the Post to have this Pride. We are doing new things to evolve the Post. During the last week of August we held our first party poker night. It was a success and brought funds in to the legion that we would not have otherwise. On September 1st we had our Labor Day picnic; on September 19th we opened our post home to the community and sponsored a POW – MIA Memorial Service. Many people were involved in these activities. These people definitely have pride in our organization.

In each of us are the seeds of great ideas for new programs. Why not share them? **Share the Pride!** We can only be as good as you wish us to be. **Catch the Pride.**

- Woody

WELL DONE

On September 19th we had a dinner in honor of the National Day of Remembrance of our POW - MIA from all wars. The night drove home the point that some paid a much higher price for our freedom. A big part of the success of this event goes to the planning committee of Nick Brescia, Hugo Montenegro, and Steve Collins.

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AUXILIARY NEWS



I hope everyone had a nice Labor Day and a lot of fun at the Labor Day Picnic. There was a lot of food and a lot of games for the Children. I want to say thank you to Karen Greenwald and Terri Johnson for helping at the Panther Bon Fired.

I would also like to thank Julie Isenberges, Rylla, Arlene Guest, Kathleen Pleet, and Karen Greenwald for helping with the Poker Tournament. We raised over a thousand dollars for American Legion Auxiliary.

Rosemary Collins

Library



A big thank you to Stacy McDonald who donated to the library a book entitled "Band of Sisters ... American Women at War in Iraq" By Kirsten Holmstedt

Sick Call

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

People: Bob Jenson
Jim Shanahan
Bill Westrup



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OFFICIAL

In accordance with Section 4, Article 4 (elections) of our Constitution and By-laws approved April 3, 2002 the Nominating Committee for the next election of Post Officers shall consist of Larry Bryant, W. Jack Border, and Steve Collins. The Chairman shall be selected by the Committee. In case anyone of the three named can not fulfill their duties Joe Pappalardo is named as an alternate. Anyone interested in running for an office should contact one of the names listed above. Woody Kawaters

A Trip to Washington, DC

Honor Flight Chicago recognizes our veteran for their sacrifices and achievements by flying our vets to Washington, DC to see their memorials, as their guests. Top priority (for which they are currently accepting applications) is given to WWII Veterans and terminally ill veterans from all wars. Applications are available at the Post or contacts Honor Flight Chicago at 773-227-VETS (8387) or visit at www.honorflightchicago.org

**OCTOBER 31ST
IS HALLOWEEN**





CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

I wish all of the elected officers well and at the same time expect integrity and justice from them. Let us keep the newly installed officers at all levels in our prayers and that they would be open to hear God's word so that the work they do and how they lead us is truly done "For God and Country".

The American Legion has its Service Officers and its Chaplains caring for its members and their families along with other veterans who have needs. Let us also keep them in our prayers during this next year.

Wm. Jack Border
Chaplain

Incline us O God!
to think humbly of ourselves,
to be saved only in the examination of our own conduct,
to consider our fellow-creatures with kindness,
and to judge of all they say and do with charity
which we would desire from them ourselves.

— Jane Austen

IN MEMORIUM
James F. Cooper
Edward Tandaric
Maryann Rooney's Mother

These Legionnaires Have Gone To
The Commander of Us All.
Rest Well Our Friends.



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Post 80 Family Bingo Night

On Saturday, October 4th at 6:30 p.m. the annual Family Bingo Night will occur. Mark Your Calendar, get your children and all your family members and come

out to have an evening of fun at Post 80. Hope to see you and your family for a warm and friendly evening at the Post 80

“All Bingo Players”

There will be
Half Price Bingo Night
This Month



Tuesday, October 28th



Mark Your Calendar
Bring your Friends
Get In On The Action

Be a **Winner** at Post 80



2008

**POST 80
CHILDREN'S
CHRISTMAS
PARTY**



DECEMBER 7, 2008 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 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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Labor Day Picnic





The Pig Roast

The Labor Day Picnic was a success. We fed over 300 people and all had a good time. The Pavilion and inside the hall were jammed. The food was purchased by Emery Wolff and Rich Greenwald. The corn was purchased by Dick Rooney (Dick Bernardini was traveling). John Super did a great job cooking the chickens. There would have been no kid games if it were not for Todd Hanson & Rich Mueller. The cooks were Ed Ludwig, Emery Wolff, Jim Rosenkranz, Dick Rooney, Steve Collins, Andy Pelliccioni & Alberto Ramirez. Nice job, gentlemen. You truly out did yourselves. The clean up crew was led by Rich Mueller, Donna Rosenkranz and Julie Isenberger. I am sure I am leaving people out, but each of you mattered and contributed to making it a great day.

The work for the picnic, the food, and the enjoyable time was truly an American Legion family activity. Thank you to all.

P.S. The 50/50 drawing was won by Rich Greenwald who donated his winnings to the Post. The post raised \$83 from the 50/50.





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Veterans Memorial Tuition Scholarship Hoping for \$10,000

A donation of \$100 was received from Mr. and Mrs. A. Robert & Grace E. Jacobs. Post 80 thanks you!

The American Legion Post 80 Veterans Memorial Tuition Scholarship fund-raising committee needs your help. The interest in our scholarship fund has decreased along with other funds. We are asking for help to build it up. The fund can only pay the First Place Winner, the Second Place Winner is paid by other Legion funds. We are trying to pay both winners out of our fund.

For a \$500 donation you can have a deceased veteran's name put on the Scholarship Plaque that hangs in the Legion hallway. All donations are tax deductible and any amount is appreciated.

Make your check out to American Legion Post 80, Veterans Memorial Tuition Scholarship Fund and mail to 4000 Saratoga AV, Downers Grove, IL 60515 % Jack Border, Dave Wisbrock or Herb Morrison.

Post 80 thanks you for your help.

Scholarship applications for your child or grandchild will be in the Legion Hall starting September 10, 2008 or call 630-969-9710. The forms must be mailed by March 30, 2009



BEAR FANS

Are you frustrated because the kids want to watch the Disney Channel or the wife wants to watch some chick flick on the Hallmark Channel? Well, come over to Post 80 and watch the Bear games with your Legion buddies. Hey, you can play cards too! Have a few beers, some munchies, and pizza! The doors open one hour before game time. See the schedule for starting times. All games are on Sunday except to the month of December. Watch the coming newsletter and postings at the Post for current schedules. Also, check our website for the full season schedule. (Post80.org)

Rich Greenwald, Sr. Vice-commander

LEGIONAIRE OF THE MONTH



BOB KOCUREK

Eleven year member

Past DuPage County Commander

Bingo Worker





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THOUGHT-OF-THE-MONTH:

Americans have a strange sense of collecting and/or saving things.

For example, 33 million American families own 1 car; 38 million own 2 cars; 20 million own 3 cars; and a ridiculous statistic -- 8 million own 4 or more cars!! My neighbor usually has up to 5 cars in his drive, and I know there are only two that live there!!

We have 2 TV sets, one in the family room and one in the kitchen. Some people have them in the bedroom and even the bathroom as well. A guy down the street has one in his garage.

I have three pairs of shoes. One for when I am dressed up, one to work in, and one to fill in somewhere if necessary. (My wife has many pair of shoes!).

I have many pens and pencils -- way more than I need. And for their size they do take up space. I can only use one at a time.

I have two bank accounts. Makes me feel like I have more money.

I have a closet full of shirts, at least half of them I never wear, but come Christmas, or my birthday, you can bet I'll get another one!!

I could use another pair of glasses, or a new wallet.

Have two raincoats but never use them. They're not much help in a rain anyway.

Maybe it's best to start out with two of everything and go from there!

RWB