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Commander's Report

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August 9, 2015, we will have our main annual fundraiser, "The Packer Raffle". I urge all members, the Auxiliary, and Sons, to support this effort..

Many of us will be working to provide raffle surprises. Let Lylette, or me, know if you can solicit businesses for contributions.

We still need Legionnaires to step up and fill the Finance Officer and 2nd Vice positions. These positions are very important to Post operations, and the duties can be performed to fit your 'work-a-day' schedule. See me to discuss the duties.

We are still trying to sell four lots at Wisconsin Memorial Park. While the lots are valued at \$10,000, we can negotiate for members. See Harvey or me.

We are looking forward to the *All Services Dinner* on September 13th. Veterans united!

See you there!
Ron

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1st Vice Message..By Mike Daigle (414) 817-2153



HELP WANTED

I respectfully request assistance in getting donations for raffle prizes for the Packer Party on August 9th. This is one of major fundraisers for OUR Post family. Please consider donating a prize or bottle for this event. I thank you in advance for any assistance.

I would like to address the issue of negative criticism to our Post family volunteers. There are a lot of folks at our Post who dedicate a great deal of their personal time and monies to our Post. I ask this question; "How would you feel if you spent weeks on a project, and you received negative comments, and criticism?"

Please show respect to our Post family volunteers because they deserve it.

SERVICE BEFORE SELF
God Bless

AMERICAN LEGION POST 449 PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

The following amendments / additions / changes (in bold print) to the Post 449 Bylaws were approved by the Executive Board on 6/9/15.

Amendment #1 Article II

Section 1. The following elected officers of **Post 449 will be Legionnaires of Post 449 in good standing ■ i.e., in good standing with paid up dues for current year.** Commander, First Vice-Commander, Second Vice-Commander, Third Vice-Commander, Finance Officer, Chaplain, Service Officer and Sergeant-at Arms.

Amendment #2 Article III

Section 1. Six (6) members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum thereof.

Amendment #3 New Article XVI

Section 1: A member of the Executive Board will be removed from the board for any of the following: Disloyalty, Neglect of Duty, Dishonesty, and/or failure to perform the duties of the office held in accordance with the Bylaws of Post 449 and/or Conduct unbecoming a member of the American Legion. A request to remove an Executive member will be a written petition of three (3) or more members of the Board, to be presented to the Board at an Executive Session of the Board. The petition will be read into the record. The board member will be removed from the office held by a majority vote of the remaining voting members of the board. The vote will be by secret ballot. Six (6) members of the Board shall constitute a quorum thereof.

If there is a tie vote, the officer will stay in office. One (1) Past Commander and one (1) Legionnaire member of Post 449 will count the secret ballots and report the vote to the Executive Board. The Officer voted off the Board will be removed from the meeting.

The vacancy on the Executive Committee will be filled within 60 days in accordance with Article II, Section 5, of the Post By-Laws.

Correction To June 449er

Our "apologies" to the family of Valerie Blamer, and to Valerie, for the misspelling of her last name in the June issue of the 449er. The following is the correct printing of the *Scholarship Awards*.

The Scholarship Committee has awarded \$500 s
Scholarships to the following four 2015 High School Graduates:

Emily Ross . . .Oak Creek High School
Emmett Conron . . Marquette University High School
Zachary Jake . . .Brookfield East High School

Valerie Blamer . . .Brookfield Central High School



ONE MORE TIME BAND

Playing for your listening and dancing pleasure every Second Monday of the Month 1:30 to 3:30 at American Legion Post 449, 3245 N. 124th Street, Brookfield. \$3.00/Person Admission

A BIG THANK YOU to Crest Cadillac, Schlossmans, Uptown Motors, and Sorens Ford for donating automobiles to Post 449 for the Brookfield 4th of July Parade, and *Thank You* Frank Kruck for making the arrangements. We also want to THANK the Jeep Club and ALL those who made auto and personal contributions to the parade.

NEW HOURS FOR AUGUST

Effective ALL of August the Post will be CLOSED on Sundays, except for *special events*.

ALSO

The kitchen will be CLOSED ALL of August on Sundays, Mondays, & Tuesdays, except for *special events*.

Finance Officer's Report By: Harvey Kroening
(262-253-0994)

Happy Summer

We have had a busy month. Our Friday Fish Fry has been quite popular and we need to keep supporting them.

There was another repair for over \$1000. The air conditioner needed a fine tuning and parts replacement. It never ends.

Attend the Thursday Cook-In. Funds from Thursday nights go into a special fund for this kind of expense. Alex and crew prepare a good meal of hot dogs, hamburgers, brats, potato salad, beans, and dessert ...all for ONLY \$5.00.

Support the Monday Night Tacos. Thanks to Mick and crew for volunteering to prepare and serve this meal.

Donations for POP have slowed down. Our loan is down to \$25,000, and interest payments are now \$90 a month, instead of \$180 a month.

Make an investment in your Legion Post. We would like members to contribute to a special account to help pay for the City of Brookfield assessment of Robin Lane improvement. That bill is only \$23,500.

The "Burial Plots" are still available at Pinelawn Memorial Park & Wisconsin Memorial Park. The four sites at Wisconsin Memorial Park are valued at \$10,000. We will accept \$8,000.

Call Harvey at 262-253-0994 for further information.

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When - Sunday, September 13, 2015

**Where- American Legion Post 449
3245 N.124th St., Brookfield**

Reservations Required By Wed., Sept. 9th

Make Checks Payable To: American Legion Post 449,
Mail To: Ron Anderson, 1116 N. 117th St., Wauwatosa, WI 53226
Ph. No. (414) 774-8195

Post Opens @ 5 p.m.

Cash Bar 5p.m. - Closing

Dinner - 6 p.m.

Cost - \$30/Person. Currently in Service & in Uniform ► FREE. . . Members & Guests Welcome

Menu - Sliced Roast Beef, Citrus Chicken Breast, Delicious Sides, Rolls & Butter, Cake, Milk, Coffee

NAME: _____ TELEPHONE NO. _____

ADDRESS: _____

YOURSELF ONLY (\$30)
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 Branch of Service _____
 Rank _____
 (FREE if in uniform)

\$ _____ Enclosed *Please send checks only . . no cash*

Service Officer's Message

By: Richard Strehlow (262) 641-0977)



Last Bugle (Members)...

(a card, a scroll, a ceremonial coin and cartridge pouch were presented)

Wilmer Stanford Korea Walter Ewing Korea

Last Bugle (Non-Members)...

(a cartridge pouch and scroll were presented).

Erwin Glander WWII	Ross Vanderkolk WWII
Kenneth Jors Korea	Norman Katona Peace Time
John Dee WWII	Robert Kaemmerer WWII
LeRoy Hansen WWII	Anthony Caravella WWII
Robert Francis WWII	Anthony Anthony Persian Gulf
Sebastian Baumann WWII	Edward Bauch WWII
James Wade Peace Time	Byron Seal Korea
George Stanek WWII	Raymond Klabunde WWII
Robert Ross WWII	Ralph Anfang Korea

Sick Bay:

None reported

Notes of Interest:

I would like to thank the following families for their generous contributions to our Post for the Honor Guard's service for their loved ones ■ The Brace Family, The Jackson Family, The Reinhardt Family, The Caravella Family, and The Glander Family.

I would also like to thank Honor Guard members Jack Draak and Wally Engel for their past dedicated years served on the Honor Guard. Thank You gentlemen, it has been a pleasure to have worked with you, and Thank You for your service!. Also, I'd like to welcome Mike Daigle as the newest member to the Honor Guard.

From July 1, 2010 to July 1, 2015, your Honor Guard Unit has participated in 806 Military Honors Funerals. This past year, Gordon Schaber had the most individual participation (once again) and has earned the right to wear a special elite Honor Guard pin on his beret. Congratulations to Gordon.

V.A. News & Info:

1-The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has published a new regulation that expands eligibility for some benefits for a select group of Air Force and Air Force Reserve Veterans who were exposed to the herbicide Agent Orange through regular and repeated contact with contaminated C-123 aircraft that had been used in Vietnam as part of Operation Ranch Hand. This regulation is an interim final rule so VA can immediately begin providing benefits to eligible Airmen who submit a disability compensation claim for any of the 14 medical conditions that have been determined by officials to be related to exposure to Agent Orange.

2- **WARNING...** There is an iPhone application that seems predatory/wrong, and it is called "My VA Benefits". It charges Veterans \$4.99 to "maximize the amount of disability money you and your family receive for your injuries..." In the brief description it contains misinformation about the VBA Claims process and seems to imply Veterans should self-diagnose. It states the VA will not get

Service Treatment Records for the Veteran, and the VA will not review your medical records when making a decision. Please get the word out to other Veterans to be cautious and realize they can get accurate information about the claims process on VA Web sites.

3- The U.S. Congress has approved a bill allowing all Veterans in America to receive an official identification card. The bill now goes to President Obama for his signature. The card allows Veterans to document their service without carrying around sensitive personal information. A form currently used by many Veterans, to prove their Veteran status, contains Social Security numbers and other details that advocates warn could put Veterans at risk of identity theft.

If you have any questions regarding any of this news, or need more info, please contact me and I will provide you with the proper, detailed information to pursue your interests. This also includes informing me of illnesses or deaths that may have occurred or questions regarding your VA benefits. You can contact me at home (262)-641- 0977, or mobile (262)-389-4638.

If you don't contact me, I can't help you out.

May God bless our Veterans and Fallen Heroes

Chaplain' Corner

By: Harvin Abrahamson

There are probably many times you remember when you have had a very important engagement (a business meeting, a wedding, etc.) only to find yourself angry and frustrated because you have driven into a traffic jam. The frustration grows and finally a solution presents itself. You find an exit and travel a completely different route to your destination, or resolution comes in the form of a friendly patrol officer who allows you to make a u-turn across the grass median and you back track to an exit where you can negotiate your route and reach your goal in a roundabout way, which often turns out to be a pleasant driving experience.

We are like children in many ways ("Are we there yet?") , a society seeking instant gratification. We know that if we always get what we want immediately, we never mature; so when we are forced to travel through life in roundabout ways, God has time to nourish, mature and strengthen us, finally allowing us to reach wonderfully new destinations.

Consequently, if we at times become frustrated, we still need to accept God as our leader.

Respectfully,

Harvin Abrahamson, Chaplain

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:6-7).





ANNUAL POST 449 PACKER PARTY

Sunday August 9th ♦ Post Opens at 11 A.M

Tickets: \$1.00 Ea. OR 7 for \$5.00 (can be purchased from bartender)

Food Served Noon To 3 p.m.

Live Entertainment 3 To 6 p.m.

Prizes

..You need not be present to win...

1st Prize through 6th Prize ■ 2 Packer Gold Package Tickets

7th - 10 Prizes . . . **Mystery Prizes**

Please send stubs of the mailed tickets, with check or money order, to:

American Legion Post 449, c/o Mike Daigle, 1st Vice
3245 N. 124th St., Brookfield, WI 53005 *By Aug. 8th*

OR

Bring tickets with you on Aug. 9th, along with your check, money order, or cash. Don't leave them at home lying on your kitchen table!!!!

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- July 18, 2015 -

Kathy and Peter Schiller announce the engagement of their daughter, Molly K., to Dan Bogart. Wedding plans are forthcoming.



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



Empowering Women, Inspiring Communities

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Members at Large	DAWN HAUCK	414-464-1989

The President's Message...

By: Lylette Smith (414) 378-4107
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"SERVICE, NOT SELF"

We lost four very special "Friends and Auxiliary Members", Arlyne Zipter, Florence "Flo" Dearing, Mary Ann Hughes and Pat Witterholt. Our deepest sympathy to their families. We will miss all their smiling faces.

Our sincere sympathy to Ethel Stanford on the loss of her husband, Wilmer Stanford, known by many as "Bill", who always made sure our flags were up and in place, outside of Post 449. Bill Stanford helped with many things at the post, including organizing everyone to help put candy in the Christmas Stockings for all the Children at the Children's Christmas Party.

Our sincere sympathy to Doris Dittl on the loss of her husband, Don. Don loved the Green Bay Packers and fishing. A good day to Don was to be fishing, then come home to watch the Green Bay Packers "win" their football game, and spend quality time with his family! Bill and Don will be greatly missed!

There were 10 Delegates from the Auxiliary who attended the Department Convention in Appleton from July 16-19, 2015. Our Unit was honored by winning four awards for; 100% membership by the middle of June, donation of \$150.00 to the American Legion Auxiliary Emergency Fund, 300 Game Bowling Achievement Award to Marion Kolsch, and Participation in the History Book Contest. Everyone can view these awards on our bulletin board in the Post front foyer. We all had a spectacular time and look forward to working with all the new Dept. officers. Several people visited Post 38 in Appleton who had a drawing for a 50" TV. Diane Larsen drew the lucky winner who turned out to be a member of the post in Orfordville. Fun was had by all.

Our new Auxiliary Department President is Laura Calteux from Unit 416, District 4, who did our officer installations in 2014. We are behind Laura 100%!

Our 4th of July Parade was spectacular! Our Junior Auxiliary built a float honoring all Veterans. The float was the highlight of the 4th of July Parade. The Junior Auxiliary have become very active, also helping with the distribution of poppy's. Everyone will be seeing more of our Junior Auxiliary in the coming months, including our Poppy Princess, Kimberly Oliver and Little Miss Poppy, Alexis Paape. The liquor and meat raffle that we had on



the 4th of July was a huge success. Everyone had a fun time on the 4th of July!!!

The post collected items much needed by Dry Hootch. They were delivered to Dry Hootch and very much appreciated. Thank you to everyone who donated.

The Auxiliary collected Snickers for Soldiers. A large box of Snickers were delivered to the USO and they will take them to Ft. McCoy for all the soldiers in training.

Our next Auxiliary meeting will be August 18 at 7:00pm. Hope to see everyone there. We will have our three young ladies from Badger Girls State reporting on their experiences at Badger Girls State in June. Please don't miss this fun and entertaining meeting.

Happy Birthday and God Bless to our "Special Birthday Ladies" for August, 2015: 2) Edna Gerlach, Lylette Smith, 4) Dolores Schubilski, 7) Laura Roche, 9) Chris Cannon, 17) Pat Mustapich, 18) Marge Dewitt, 25) Jennifer Wilkinson, 27) Claudia Latimer, 28) Arlaine Bloedorn, 29) Bobbie Kahrs, Tammy Oliver, 31) Diane Silbernagel, Janet Hartwig.

Happy Birthday to all the ladies in the Auxiliary whose names are not mentioned above. If you would like your name added to the birthday list, please let me know.

♦Please keep all of our shut-ins in your thoughts and prayers♦

God Bless our Troops, our Veterans and God Bless America!!

UPCOMING EVENTS – PLEASE SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!

Aug 4, Tue	Auxiliary Executive Committee Meeting – 6:00pm
Aug 5, Wed	Newsletter Assemble – 11:00am at Post
Aug 6, Thur	Blood Drive – 1:30pm-5:30pm - Carol Lers
Aug 9, Sun	Packer Party
Aug 18, Tue	Auxiliary Monthly Meeting – 7:00pm
Aug 20, Thur	Oktoberfest Committee Meeting – 8:00pm
Aug 22, Sat	Luau Sign-In Raffle and Food – 11:30am - ?
Sep 7, Mon.	Food & Music @ Post (see "flyer" in lobby)
Sep 12, Sat	Honor Flight
Sep 13, Sun	All Services Dinner
Sep 15, Tue	Auxiliary Monthly Meeting – 7:00pm
Sep 16, Wed	11:30am–2:30pm Veterans Picnic at Zablocki VA Hospital Grounds
Sep 18, Fri	Fall Forum - Eau Claire
Oct 4, Sun	Oktoberfest Pig Roast
Oct 10, Sat	1 st District Fall Conference at Post 449

1st Vice Report By: Kathy McCarthy
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Hello Everyone!



I hope your summer is going well. As for mine- very busy. I just returned from our State Convention in Appleton and had a wonderful time. Seeing old friends and meeting new ones is always a hi-lite. We watched the end of a GREAT YEAR for president Teresa Isnsee and the start of our new president Laura Caltrau. Her vision is one I truly believe in, and you will hear more throughout the year. In her speech, she asked that we all need to be civil to one another. That statement struck a chord in me, thinking of the issues our Post is going through. I want all of us to try to honor Laura's wishes, I know I'll be trying.

On September 16th we will be going to the VA for our veterans picnic. It will take place at the Evinrude Lake Pavilion from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. We will be grilling out, playing games, and showing our vets a good time. I will be asking, at our next meeting, for help in making side dishes and desserts. Everyone is welcome to come and spend time with our veterans.

So, until I see you at the post!!!!
Stay Well!

Chaplain Sandy's Message

By: *Sandy Dearing* sandrakdearing@gmail.com

Greetings to All

July has been a tough month for Auxiliary members. We lost five within 30 days including my mother-in-law, Flo Dearing. It was because of her example and influence on me that I joined the Auxiliary several years ago. Over the past few weeks we have been cleaning out mom's apartment and disposing of her belongings. It is sad to hold in your hand something that meant a lot to her and yet has little or no value to the rest of her family. It brought to mind this verse in Luke.

A man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions.

Luke 12:15

As we held yet another poppy service for a deceased member of the Women's Auxiliary this month, we spoke about how her service and patriotism is what we will remember. For it is Christ who tells us;

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy and where thieves do not break in and steal. Matthew 6:19 -20

These dear members, who have gone home to be with the Lord, have stored up for themselves "treasures in heaven" by their unselfish service to others. We remember them, not for what they owned or possessed, but for the impact they have made in the lives of others. What a blessing to know them. I pray that we can follow in their footsteps and do as Christ commanded; "To store up our treasures in heaven."

Please keep these families who have lost loved ones, in your prayers:

- † The family of Arlene Zipter, an Auxiliary member
- † The family of Flo Dearing, an Auxiliary member and my mother-in-law
- † The family of Mary Ann Hughes, an Auxiliary member and past president
- † The family of Pat Witterholt, an Auxiliary member and past president.
- † Ethel Stanford in the loss of her husband Wilmer
- † Doris Dittl in the loss of her husband Don

May God richly bless you. *Chaplain Sandy*



Notes From The Membership

Team (Anita (Sam) Catura & Laura Roche)

acatura@extendicare.com

<WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS>
SR MEMBERS

Virginia Demichei
Jane Rusch-Robredo

Anna Nolan
Kerry Krokos



CONGRATULATIONS! We have finished the 2015 Membership year over 100%! We have 475 members and are at 102%. This is a wonderful way to wrap up the Membership for 2015. Now we have a NEW focus: 2016 Renewals!

THE GAUNTLETTE WAS THROWN AND WE ACCEPTED

The "Sons of the American Legion" have challenged the Auxiliary (actually me) to meet our 100% goal for **2016** by **Veteran's Day 2015**, OR I will have to pay Brad (Adjutant) \$50. However, WHEN we pull this off ladies, he will pay ME \$50.

I am asking everyone to bring their **2016** dues to the **August meeting** (if not sooner). I now have the 2016 cards. Bring your dues to the Post and put them in the "blue dues box". I check the box every time I walk into the Post. We have recruited many new members over the past year. If you did the recruitment, please contact them and ask them to renew NOW.

If you know you owe 2015 dues, it is not too late. However; you will now owe for 2015 **and** 2016 to be up-to-date. You can also pay your 2016 dues by following any of the suggestions below. If you are unsure, call me or email me at:

acatura@extendicare.com. Phone: 414-418-0289

- ♦ Drop dues off at the Post & place them in one of the "locked boxes" located at the front and back entrances. Write **Auxiliary Dues** on the outside of the envelope, and seal the envelope.
- ♦ Write **Auxiliary Dues** on the outside of an envelope, seal the envelope, and hand it to a bartender.
- ♦ Mail to the Post, to my attention, Sam Catura, Auxiliary Membership.
- ♦ Mail to my home: Sam Catura, 4660 N 69th St., Milwaukee, WI 53218

Senior Member dues are \$22.00 and JR dues are \$3.50 (under the age of 18)

I have received 20 renewals thus far, and I thank all of you for the prompt payments. We have a loooooong way to go so we can collect on the challenge. National will be mailing the notices Sept. 15th, BUT you do not have to wait for that. Bring your dues to the August meeting, save a stamp, get your new card AND enjoy the good fellowship of all the members.

NOTE

Any new members joining between now and Sept 1st will be for 2015. Anyone AFTER Sept 1st will be considered 2016 members. Please keep this in mind when recruiting so close to the new Membership Year.

**Thank You Jenny & ALL Legion Family
Volunteers For Helping Make the
July 26th Dinner A Success!!!**



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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
American Legion Post 449
3245 N.124TH ST,
BROOKFIELD

Fundraiser for Street Assessment

Cost: \$15/Plate

Post Opens @ 11:30 A.M.

Serving: 12 to 5 P.M.

**Entertainment: German Music . . Polkas,
Waltzes, Etc.**

MENU:

Spannferkel (piggy) **German Potato Salad**
Your Choice of BBQ Sauces **Applesauce**
Red Cabbage **German Chocolate Cake**
Spatzle

German Beer at outside Beer Wagon

German Brandy Available at the Bar

Reservations Suggested (but not required)

Send Reservations to: Kitty Larkin, W161 N5711 Bette Dr.,
Menomonee Falls, WI 539051. . Tele. No. 262-649-3399

Please make checks payable to: American Legion Post 449 (in
MEMO line, write "Street Assessment")

NAME: _____ No. in your party: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Phone No.: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ @ \$15/Person

SAL Adjutant's Message

By Brad Catura



Greetings from your adjutant! I'm pleased to announce that at our annual Detachment State Convention, we received a streamer for our SAL flag announcing we met our 100% membership goal. We also received an award for having an all-time high membership at squadron 449. We ended the year with 219 members, up from 195 last year.

I was also pleased to present 109 paid memberships for 2016 to Commander Lubich. This was far and away above what any other squadron presented him. Sadly, the above two awards were the only 2 awards we won as most awards are based on percentage of membership. Having the largest squadron in the state is something to be very proud of, but is hard to gain recognition for. We really need more members to become "active" in our squadron, so that we can be more competitive in the detachment. No, winning awards isn't what we are all about, but it does show that we are working hard on the 4 pillars of The American Legion, of which we are proud, male descendants. I am hopeful that as our newly formed first district gets "rolling", we'll be better able to work on our mission as Sons of The American Legion. Ask yourself, "would the veteran whose service you became eligible through, be proud of your service in the Sons"? If the answer is "probably not", come see me at our next meeting. If the answer is Yes, then I'm sure I will already have seen you at our meetings.

Just a quick reminder:

There is no August meeting. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 1st.

SAL Chaplain's Message...

By Brad Catura, Chaplain, Squadron 449 and Detachment of Wisconsin Chaplains

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At the recent annual Sons of The American Legion Detachment Convention in Appleton, I was re-elected to my third term as your detachment Chaplain. Here are some, though by no means all, of my highlights over the past year: Attending the War Dogs Memorial Dedication on June 22, 2014 in Menomonee Falls. Attending the Purple Heart Day of Honor at the Milwaukee War Memorial on August 7th, 2014 Presiding at the Veterans Day Memorial Service at Post 449 on November 11th, 2014 Presiding at the Protestant Church Service at Mid-Winter Conference in Baraboo on January 17th, 2015 Co-presiding at the first annual 4 Chaplains Memorial Service at Mid-Winter Conference on January 18th, 2015 Attending both the Protestant worship service and marching in the Detachment Color Guard at King Day on June 21

Yes, there were many more events, but these are especially near & dear to my heart. I pray that I might see more of you at these events in the future as I strive to serve you to the best of my ability as your Squadron, First District, and Detachment Chaplain!

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2 POST CLOSED	3 Post Opens 11:30 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Mon. Night Tacos 4:30-8 p.m.	4 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> NO SAL MTG. Aux. Exec. Comm. Mtg 6:00	5	6 MILWAUKEE BLOOD CENTER BLOOD DRIVE 1:30 - 5:30 Post Cook-In 5-8:30 VFW 8320 Mtg. 7:00	7 Live Music 4:30-10 Fish Fry 4:30-8:30	8 Sign In -Post Opens 11:30
9 Post Opens 11:00 PACKER PARTY	10 Post Opens 11:30 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Big Band Dance 1:30 - 3:30 Mon. Night Tacos 4:30-8 p.m.	11 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Ideas Comm. Mtg. 6:00 <u>Exec.Bd.Mtg 7:00</u>	12	13 Post Cook-In 5-8:30	14 Live Music 4:30-10 Fish Fry 4:30-8:30	15 Sign In-Post Opens 11:30
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23 POST CLOSED	24 Post Opens 11:30 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Tacos @ 4:30-8 p.m.	25 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Gen'l Membership Mtg. 7:00	26	27 Post Cook-In 5-8:30	28 Live Music 4:30-10: Fish Fry 4:30-8:30 Articles Deadline 7p.m.	29 Sign In-Post Opens 11:30
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