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Summer is here and we are busy. Since everyone is gone enjoying their summer, the Post will be closed on Sundays in July and August, except for special events on July 26 and August 9. No noon lunches Mon.-Tues. July & August.

Fish Fry will be (as always) on Fridays. Several events are planned to help pay for our road expenses. Please help us with your enthusiastic support.

Many have helped to get OUR POST in great shape. "Thank You". I would appreciate some volunteers to help our 3rd Vice with the lawn. Call Rich, Bill Simon, or myself. This job can be done on your schedule weekly. **Did you know WE are now the No. 2 post in the state?**

NOTE

Due to state law children may not participate in any gaming events including raffles and pull-tabs.

Be safe. Be careful. See you at the Post!

I will be on vacation July 15th - July 19th. Please DO NOT send any e-mails to me during this period.

Editor. . .Don

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Memorial Day 2015

A BIG THANK YOU to Schlossmans, Uptown Motors, and Sorens Ford for donating automobiles to Post 449 for the Elm Grove Memorial Day 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.

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.

SATURDAY RAFFLE UPDATE

Saturday Raffle Change

The failure of persons not *Signing In* for the Raffle has led to many drawing attempts at 2 p.m. on Saturdays, before a “winning number” is drawn from the pot . This has resulted in a large number of people staying away from the Post on Saturdays. Therefore, the following procedure is now in effect:

Persons participating in the Saturday Raffle MUST “sign-in” & pay their \$1.00 entry fee every week by “noon” on Saturday, to be eligible to win. If you do not sign-in 8 weeks in a row, your number will be removed from the jar. You may reenter the raffle with your old number, if available. If no longer available, you will need to reenter the raffle with a new number. The rule of signing in, but not being present at the time of the drawing (winning one-half the pot), is still in effect. Being present, but not signing in gets you \$0.

NEW HOURS FOR JULY & AUGUST

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

ALSO

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

PACKER PARTY SUNDAY, AUG. 9TH

See "Flyer" in the front lobby & bar areas for more details.

Stenz—Griesell—Smith American Legion Post 449 3245 N. 124th St., Brookfield Banquet Hall For



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Apologies to

Bonnie Piszczek & Kathy Schiller

Bonnie - for not including her name in the THANK YOU BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE column in the June 449er . Bonnie was one of the hard workers working outside in the flower beds. Thank You Bonnie for volunteering your expertise & work time!

Kathy - for not including her name as a Volunteer in the TACO MONDAYS promo. She comes in early to help set up and prepare the food, and. . . does the cashiering during serving time. Thank You Kathy for volunteering your time and work efforts.

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

GOOD NEWS! ICE MACHINE IS PAID FOR
Michael Leas, SAL member, has donated \$500 to cover remaining balance on ice machine. Thank You Michael.

Next, we must figure out how we can pay \$23,500 that the City of Brookfield has assessed us for Robin Lane improvements. Also, latest is the sidewalk on 124th.

We are still looking for a buyer for the cemetery plots. Make an offer. We will consider any reasonable figures.

Here is Plan B. Make an investment in your Legion Post. We need 20 members or less to loan Post 449 a no interest loan for four years, with a yearly payback of one-fourth. The Post would put aside \$500 a month and the \$6,000 would then be divided and returned to members at the end of each year.

Dolores and I will start it out with \$4,000 and hopefully other members will contribute \$1000 or more so that we can pay the City of Brookfield for Robin Lane. Call me if you can help get the ball rolling.

Our line of credit loan is now only \$25,000. Another \$5000 from P.O.P. was recently deposited. Keep the P.O.P donations coming.

Thank you Mick and crew for doing the Tacos. Thank you Alex and crew for Thursday Cook-Ins.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT! Support the Fish Frys. Attend Saturday Sign-In.

Burial Plots Available

Pinelawn Memorial Park

- ♦ Mausoleum Crypt 9, Building A, Level Lot 186 Spaces 3 & 4
- ♦ Section 1, block F, Lot 525, Space 2

Wisconsin Memorial Park

- ♦ Block 5, Lot 436, Spaces 1,2,3&4
- ♦ Block 12, Lot 555. Space 6

Call Harvey Kroening(262-253-0994)for further information.



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**



4TH OF JULY PARADE



We will meet at the Post at 8:00 AM departing at 8:30 AM. They want participants to be at the staging area at 9:00 AM. We will be staging in the same general area as in the past few years.

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):

Don Clark WWII

Last Bugle (Non-Members)...

(a cartridge pouch and scroll were presented).

Christopher Reinhardt WWII	Robert Gesell WWII
Angel Puga WWII	Charles Fullmer WWII
Gerald Shevey WWII	Robert Nowak WWII
Laverne Harvey Korea	Marvin Fuller Unlisted
Robert Jackson Peace Time	Richard Schwistter WWII
John Imp WWII	Gerald Zimmerman WWII
Charles Flaum Korea	Frank Kovacs Vietnam
Julia Brace WWII	Thomas Hull Peace Time

Sick Bay:

Lance Holderness Bill Stanford John Mathie

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 Cavanaugh Family, and The Gordon Family.**

The Honor Guard welcomes the following new members

- Oscar Robredo • Bill Ochowicz • Don Higgs

Welcome aboard!

V.A. News & Info:

1-The House of Representatives has unanimously approved a bill, titled the Boosting Rates of American Veteran Employment Act or 'BRAVE Act.' The BRAVE Act authorizes the Department of Veterans Affairs to give preferences to companies that employ veterans on a full-time basis in awarding contracts for the procurement of goods and services. The legislation would allow the VA to bar employers who willfully misrepresent the veteran status of employees from contracting with the VA for five or more years. The BRAVE ACT has been referred to the U.S. Committee on Veterans' Affairs for further action.

2- TRICARE offers several tools to make sure you understand your health plan. [TRICARE TV videos on YouTube](#) provide short, monthly videos that discuss a specific aspect of the TRICARE benefit. Also, a weekly [audio Podcast](#) recaps the week's health news and highlights. You can sign up for upcoming webinars on the [Military OneSource](#) website and watch prior webinars on the [archives](#) page. Fact sheets about specific parts of the benefit are available on the TRICARE [SMART](#) site. Also, you can also interact and get daily news and information on TRICARE's [Face-book page](#).

3- The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) published a new regulation that expands eligibility for some benefits for a select group of Air Force Veterans and Air Force Reserve personnel, 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 (ORH). VA published this regulation as an interim final rule so that it could immediately begin providing benefits to eligible Air Force veterans and Air Force Reserve personnel who submit a disability compensation claim for any of the 14 medical conditions that have been determined by VA to be related to exposure to Agent Orange.

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

On the aluminum cap atop the Washington Monument, in Washington DC, are two words: "LAUS DEO". From ground level no one can see these words; in fact most visitors have no idea they are even there and for that matter could care less! But there they are--- 555 feet, 5.125 inches high, perched atop the monument facing skyward to the Father of our nation, overlooking the 69 square miles that comprise the District of Columbia, Capital of the United States of America.

LAUS DEO! Two seemingly insignificant unnoticed words--- out of sight and one might ink out of mind, very meaningfully placed at the highest point over what is recognized as the most powerful city in the world. And what might those two seemingly insignificant, noticed words, comprised of just four syllables mean? Very simply, "**Praise be to God!**"

Construction of the monument began in 1848 and was inaugurated and opened to the public in 1888. It took twenty five years to finally cap the memorial with the tribute . . .

LAUS DEO!" "Praise be to God!"

When the cornerstone of the Washington Monument was laid on July 4th, 1848, deposited in it were many items, including the Holy Bible, which was presented by the Bible Society.

We have always been "One nation under God".

"LAUS DEO!"

Harvin Abrahamson, Chaplain



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4TH OF JULY CHICKEN ROAST

Prepared & Served by the Cucinello Family
AND the Legion Family Volunteers



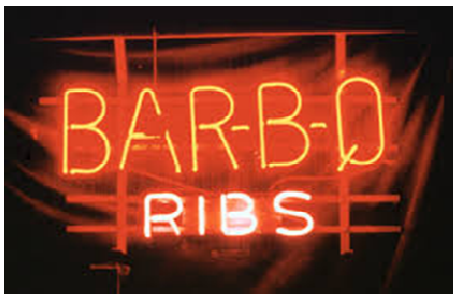
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3245 N. 124TH ST.,
BROOKFIELD

Live Music 1-5 By Frankie Donn

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| CHICKEN ROAST | ▶ | 1/4 CHICKEN | \$7.50 |
| <i>Served from Noon Till</i> | ▶ | 1/2 CHICKEN | \$9.00 |
| <i>Food is "GONE"!!!</i> | ▶ | WHOLE CHICKEN . . | \$10.00 |
| | | <i>(Prices subject to change)</i> | |

**Corn on the Cob - Pasta Salad - Potato Salad Desserts
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**Choice Of
Ribs OR Chicken**



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COST - \$10/Adult
\$6/Children 12 & Under

American Legion Post 449
3245 N. 124th Street
Brookfield

Sunday - July 26th 5 P.M.

Reservations Recommended

- ▶ **Barbeque Ribs Or Chicken Dinner** ▶ **Potato Salad** ▶ **Baked Beans** ◀
▶ **Other Appetizing Selections** ▶ **Desserts** ◀

RESERVATION FORM

Name: _____ No. of persons in your party: _____ No. of adults: _____ No. of children under 12: _____
Address: _____ Telephone No.: _____
Amount Enclosed - \$ _____

Send Reservation To - Dolores Kroening, W178N9739 Riversbend Cir. W, Germantown, WI 53022 Tele. No. 262-253-0994



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



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The President's Message...

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

We lost a very special "Friend and Auxiliary Member", Geraldine "Gerry" Race. Her husband Marvin started Post 449 in 1948.

Gerry was a very active member until her later years, continued coming to all the monthly meetings until the past year, & was a member for 67 years. Gerry will be greatly missed!

We had a June meeting & no installation this year due to Executive Committee Members are now in office for two years. We had 47 members at our June meeting & had a new member installation. We are very grateful for all of our new members. New Members, please talk with any of our Executive Committee Members if you are willing to become more involved. We always have many opportunities for people to consider to become more involved. Thank you to all of our ladies for all the appetizers that you brought to our meeting. A huge thank you to Michele Johnstone & Sam Catura for getting the tables & food ready for all of us to consume the delicious appetizers! Thank you to anyone else who helped with the tables & food.

There will be **NO** Auxiliary Meeting in the month of July. Our next meeting will be August 18 at 7:00pm.

The June meeting was the last meeting that Lynn Kelly will attend. Lynn & her Brother, Bob Kelly, have moved to a suburb of Appleton. We will miss seeing Lynn's smiling face at our meetings & her beautiful poems that she writes. Hopefully, Lynn will still share some of her beautiful poems with us. Last year one of Lynn Kelly's poems went into the Department President's History Book. Our whole Auxiliary Unit was very proud of Lynn! We will miss Lynn but she will join us for the 4th of July Parade. Lynn, don't forget all your friends at Unit 449 & please visit us anytime!!!

Children & Youth are the future of our Post. Our representatives to Badger Girls State, June 21-26, were Robyn Thompson, Brookfield Central, Cassandra Jehly, Brookfield Central & Brighid Pesch, Brookfield Academy. These three young ladies will be



present at our August meeting & will share the highlights of their week at Badger Girls State. Kitty Larkin & Marie Zellmer were volunteers again this year at Badger Girls State. Kitty Larkin worked in the Press Room & Marie Zellmer was the Chorus Director. Kathy McCarthy & I went to the Inauguration for Badger Girls State on Thursday, June 25th at the UW Oshkosh. We had an exciting time meeting several of the girls at BGS & listening to the speeches from the BGS Constitutional Officers as well as Governor Scott Walker & the Honorable Shirley Abrahamson, Chief Justice, WI Supreme Court. There were over 750 girls at BGS. I think everyone would enjoy the Inauguration.

Thank you to Marion Kolsch & Carol Lers for planting the beautiful flowers in the planters at the front entrance to the Post. Also thank you to Bonnie Piszczek & others who did a variety of colorful plantings by the patio & are keeping them watered. Also a big thank you to Michelle & David Lee for all their help in beautifying the front of our building.

Happy Birthday and God Bless to our "Special Birthday Ladies" for July, 2015: 1) Sharon Miller, 3) Doris Riepel, 5) Katie Metzfeld, Jennifer Michaels, 6) Joni Kuether, 7) Kimberli Oliver, 10) Lilli Schwantes, 13) Bev Ziehlsdorf, 17) Charlene Baretta, 19) Mary Louise Catura, 23) Arlyn Robinson, 24) Carol Ehrlichmann, 27) Marcy Regenwether, 31) Ruth Schim. 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.

Happy 4th of July!!!!

*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!

July 4, Sat - 4th of July Parade – Meet at 8:00am

Chicken Roast ■ Meat and Liquor Raffle

July 11, Sat - Jr. Spring Conference – Madison Area Tech College
10am-2:30pm

July 16-19 - State Convention in Appleton

July 18, Sat - Past Presidents Parley Luncheon – 12:30pm at State Convention

July 21, Tue - No Auxiliary Monthly Meeting

July 26, Sun - Bar-B-Q Ribs & Chicken Dinner – 5:00pm

July 29, Wed - Newsletter Assembly – 11:00am

Aug 4, Tue - Executive Committee Meeting – 6:00pm

The "Deadline" for submitting articles for the August 449er is Friday, July 24th.

The August 449er is scheduled to be Assembled & Mailed on Wednesday, July 29th.

PLEASE mark your calendars for these early dates.

Thank You for your cooperation!!!

Chaplain Sandy's Message

By: Sandy Dearing sandrakdearing@gmail.com

Greetings to All !



Birthdays are always fun to celebrate, even when you are 239 years old! However, this is relatively young for a nation that has left such a significant imprint on our world. As a Christian nation we have reached out to a hungry world and fed them, taken in the weak and homeless and housed them, and sent our precious young men and women to distant lands to defend them.

We have done what God has called us to do and in response He has richly blessed our homeland. As we celebrate our nation's birthday, let us give thanks to God for our country and all those who defend it.

*Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord
Psalm 33:12*

*Dear God,
I bow my head and ask if it be thy will, please
save this land from those who seek to destroy it.
Amen*

Please keep these families in your prayers:

- ♥ Kathy Schiller's Mom, Virginia DeMichei, who is in the hospital
- ♥ Alice Shumway in the loss of her sister-in-law
- ♥ Gerry Race, an Auxiliary member, who passed away June 18, at the age of 94

*May God richly bless you and keep you in His care.
Chaplain Sandy*



The Legion Family expresses their condolences to the family of Gerry Race. A great lady and wonderful friend.

Geraldine "Gerry" passed away peacefully on June 18th. Beloved wife of the late Marvin Race for 67 years. Dear mother to Barbara Rymer, the late Nancy Van Houten, Marji (Pat) Bolton, cherished grandma to Bonnie (Mark) Escamilla, Andy Bolton, Valentine and Lee Van Houten. Great-Grandmother to Taylor, Lexi and Junia. Gerry was an active member of the American Legion Post 449 Women's Auxiliary since 1948.

Gerry will be greatly missed.



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Notes From The Membership

Team (Anita (Sam) Catura & Laura Roche)

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WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS:

SR MEMBERS

Virginia Lindow
Julie Pavlak
Karen Smith

JR MEMBERS

Natalie Lawler
Briar Rochon
Isabella Rochon

Heather Rochon

CONGRATULATIONS! We have done it! We have 469 members and we are at 100.64%. This is a GREAT accomplishment and "thank you" to all of the wonderful members of the Legion family who worked together to make this happen. Yes, it was a combined effort; the AL, SAL, and Auxiliary members who made this happen. That is what it means to be a part of a working family. I am proud to say we will be receiving a special award for our efforts at Convention. This is the "Glee Club Award" for reaching or going beyond our goal by June 12, 2015.

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.

Therefore; I am asking everyone to bring your 2016 dues to the **August meeting** (if not sooner). I will get the 2016 cards after Convention. Bring your dues to the Post and put in the "blue dues box". I check them every time I walk into the Post. We know 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 off at the Post and 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.
- You can hand them to the bartenders, and again write "Auxiliary Dues" on the outside of the envelope, and seal the envelope.
- Mail to the Post, to my attention: Sam Catura, Auxiliary Membership.
- Mail to me at 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)

THANK YOU: I want to thank everyone for the wonderful food, fun and fellowship we shared on June 16th at the "New Member Welcome". It was so nice to meet our new members and everyone worked together on the table game. Our grand prize winning table "The Auxiliary Goddesses" enjoyed a very special toast to membership. The food was also delicious and there certainly was plenty. I hope a good time was had by all.

Always share your time and knowledge of the Unit with your fellow members and remember to be a positive reinforcement to: "SERVICE NOT SELF"

**** On behalf of Unit 449, I would like to extend our "Best Wishes" to Lynn Kelly. She and Bob are relocating. We will miss Lynn very much. She was always there to help anytime, in any way she was able. ****DON'T BE STRANGERS – VISIT OFTEN!!!!



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

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WE ARE NUMBER 1

By Mike Pook, Squadron 449 Commander
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Facebook - Mike Pook

NO JULY & AUG. MEETINGS

In carrying out the mission of the American Legion, the Sons are focusing on Americanism and Children and Youth in the coming year. Spearheading the way will be Vice Commander (Americanism), Leigh Rainer. Squadron 449 has a Color Guard unit that is in need of volunteers of SAL members of any age to present the colors at a variety of functions. Each October, Leigh conducts a Flag Retirement Ceremony. All Squadron members should plan to attend and retire a flag in the name of their lost forefather. Contact Leigh with any questions.

The Children and Youth of the Post 449 members are a valuable resource with endless energy and possibilities if nurtured and encouraged. Leading the charge to grow the SAL's program is Mike Daigle, who was newly Elected as a SAL Vice Commander for C&Y. He is part of an exploding troupe of Child and Youth visionaries. By focusing on the youth, the future will be a better place. Why not start with our own! There is no excuse for our young people not knowing.....

Fellowship through fitness is perhaps the best way to create friendships that may extend outside the four walls of the Post. Fitness and Exercise will help a person to feel good! Squadron Adjutant/Chaplain, Brad Catura continues to lead the Move Out Program for all Post members to enjoy. Young at heart is any age. Come out with Brad and take part in the Silent March* on Sept 19 with the rest of the American Legion First District. This is an annual event to remember the POW/MIA. Contact Brad with questions on Membership, Chaplain Services, details on the Silent March and anything fitness.

Squadron 449 Officers volunteer their time to help promote the mission of the American Legion and often help out the Post for free. They believe in the ideals of the Sons and realize that membership is more than a membership card and hanging out in the Post bar spending money. Unfortunately there is no money incentive for members to participate in meetings and activities, however the rewards are priceless. Perhaps you can make a difference!

The next regular meeting for the Squadron will be Tuesday Sept 1 at 7 pm. There will be NO Squadron meetings over the summer. Any questions contact Mike Pook.

* The Silent March is best described as a quiet, solemn procession. The participants walk in unison with reverent silence, and the only sound to be heard is a lone drumbeat. It is not a parade with marching bands, sirens and a great deal of fanfare. All veterans, legion family members, and the general public are invited to participate. The distance traveled is usually up to one mile.

MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE FOR 2016

On June 2, 2015, Sons of the American Legion Squadron 449 increased their dues from \$10 a year to \$15 a year. For new members only, there is a sign up incentive of two years of membership for \$25. The increase in dues is necessary as the State SAL will be increasing the 2016 dues.

SAL Adjutant's Message

By Brad Catura

Just a short note to inform everyone that the Sons of The American Legion, Detachment of Wisconsin, will be putting through a dues increase for 2016. So, for our Squadron 449, here is our new rate structure effective July 1st, 2015.

Remember, our 2016 year starts in July.

◆ 1 year new or renewal dues increase from \$10.00 to \$15.00 per year.

◆ 2 year New Member Only special: increases from \$18.00 to \$25.00 for the 2 years. This is a \$5.00 savings over paying year by year, but it is for NEW members only.

NOTE

Squadron officers and duly appointed committee chairmen will still only pay \$10.00 per year. So...maybe you wish to become an officer or committee chairman???? Think about it!

Another reason for our dues increase is that we no longer have enough participation, by members, to hold a *Saturday Sign-In or Fund Raisers* like we used to. This has put a tremendous burden on our dwindling treasury.

It would be so nice if we could get more guys to volunteer to help out....please.

A Reminder: No meeting in July or August. Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 1st at 7:00 PM.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
LOOKING AHEAD: Aug. - Post closed except for Special Events Tue Aug 4 - Aux. Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 p.m. Sun. Aug. 9 - Packer Party	HEAD: Aug. - Post closed on Sundays	on Sundays Meeting	1 <u>Assemble/Mail</u> 449er 11 a.m.	2 Post Cook-In 5-8:30 VFW 8320 Mtg. 7:00	3 Live Music 4:30-10 Fish Fry 4:30-8:30	4 Brookfield Parade Assemble 8 a.m. @ Post Aux. Raffle CHICKEN ROAST
5 POST CLOSED	6 Post Opens 11:30 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Mon. Night Tacos 4:30-8 p.m.	7 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> NO SAL MTG.	8	9 Post Cook-In 5-8:30	10 Live Music 4:30-10 Fish Fry 4:30-8:30	11 Sign In -Post Opens 11:30 Jr. Aux. Spring Conference In Madison
12 POST CLOSED	13 Post Opens 11:30 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Big Band Dance 1:30 - 3:30 Mon. Night Tacos 4:30-8 p.m.	14 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Ideas Comm. Mtg. 6:00 Exec.Bd.Mtg7:00	15	16 Post Cook-In 5-8:30 State Convention-Appleton ▶ thru 19th	17 Live Music 4:30-10 Fish Fry 4:30-8:30	18 Sign In-Post Opens 11:30 Aux. Past Pres. Parley Luncheon @ State Conv.-12:30
19 POST CLOSED	20 Post Opens 11:30 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Mon. Night Tacos 4:30-8 p.m.	21 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> NO AUX. MTG.	22	23 Post Cook-In 5-8:30	24 Live Music 4:30-10: Fish Fry 4:30-8:30. 449er Articles Deadline 7 p.m.	25 Sign In-Post Opens 11:30
26 Post opens @ 4pm Bar B Q Ribs or Chicken Dinner 5 P.M.	27 Post Opens 11:30 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Mon. Night Tacos 4:30-8 p.m.	28 <u>No Noon Lunch</u> Gen'l Membership Mtg. 7:00	29 <u>Assemble/Mail</u> Aug. 449er 11 a.m.	30 Post Cook-In 5-8:30	31 Live Music 4:30-10: Fish Fry 4:30-8:30	