



Stenz-Griesell-Smith American Legion



"Freedom is not America's gift to the World, Freedom is the Almighty God's gift to every man & woman in this World." George W. Bush

Post 449

Brookfield, Wisconsin
Serving God, Veterans & Country

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Commander's Report

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The Post is a "family" made up of cooperating and dedicated members of our Post, the Auxiliary, and SAL. As in most families, we have differences but, as a family, we can and should work together to achieve our goals to promote our Post programs and support veterans and their families. Let us all put aside these differences and use our individual talents to work together!!

I am available to hear your concerns and pledge to work on any issues you may have.

I ask you to support Jennifer Michaels as she takes over our kitchen. She needs volunteers for our fish fry.

The financial situation is better. Please consider helping *your Post* with the POP program. We are \$6,000 closer to eliminating last year's debt.

Thank You!!

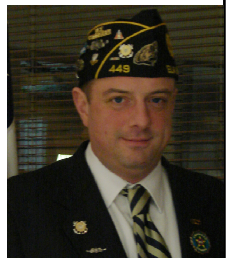


1st Vice Message..By Mike Daigle (414) 817-2153

Greetings to all,

I ask the membership in the month of October to do one thing for membership. . . "simply invite someone to the Post who may qualify for one of our families membership." We are our best by advertising, And, as always, friendship, kindness, and cooperation go a lot further than grudges.

For God And Country



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Pumpkin Carving for our Junior Members

When: Sat., October 25th at 12:00pm

Where: American Legion Post 449 in the Hall
All Junior Members are welcome
We will serve desserts and punch.

Junior members will be able to carve their own pumpkin to be displayed in the post for our members enjoyment. ☺

Wear your Halloween costume. The Halloween Sign In will be held the same day in the bar area. All of the Junior Members that participate will be able to present their pumpkins and show off their costumes at the Sign In.

If you would like your children or grandchildren to attend please RSVP to Shannon Hargraves at 904-415-1597.

2nd Vice Message

By: Alex Kolander (414-322-8702)

Greetings to all!!

With the coming of the end of summer, and our outside activities slow down, now is the time to return to Post 449 and help support the many activities offered here.

The outcome of each activity depends on members attending and helping make each activity strong and profitable. The Monday *Taco Night* run by Mick (who dedicates so much of his time to the Post), the *Thursday Night Cookout* and music, the wonderful Friday Legion "Old fashioned Fish fry", our Saturday Sign-In (with volunteers serving food), the Sunday Packers gathering, all are Legion Family Activities. Everyone is encouraged to volunteer and help make these activities a continued success.

Volunteers are needed for the Friday night Fish Fry as greeters, hosts & hostesses, "bussers", servers, and "setup people".

Volunteers, *please* contact Cheryl @ 414-453-6946 and help the Post serve the best Fish Fry in the area.

Thank You

Until next time, Happy Trails to you!!



3rd Vice Message

by Richard Baczek (262-853-3285)

Greetings to the Members of Post 449.

I would like to thank Gordy Weiss for his help in the cleaning of the Hall. As everyone knows, the hall floors and carpeting in the bar area have been cleaned. With the hall being used continually, I'm looking for volunteers to help dust in the hall and bar area, and to buff the floors once a week.

I'm in the process of cleaning all windows inside and out, and would like some volunteers for this project.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Richard Strehlow.

See you at the Post!



Finance Officer's Report

By: Harvey Kroening
(262-253-0994)

First of all, thank you to our "POP" contributors. We are at \$6,000. Special fund raisers are in the works and donations from members continue to increase our total. Participation in Post functions and special events all help to improve our bottom line.

Support our Friday Fish Frys, come to the Thursday Cook-Outs, join in the fun times at Monday and Saturday Sign-Ins, attend special dinners like our Birthday party in December.

Changes in operations and personnel hopefully will reflect more profits both in the bar and kitchen. Our hall is available for rental. We have a great facility and we need everyone to keep supporting it.

Winter is fast approaching and snow and cold could melt our funds to zero. Keep us in the black. Send your "POP" donation to: Harvey Kroening, W178N9739 Riversbend Cir W, Germantown, WI 53022 *Enjoy the Fall colors!*

THANKS TO FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTORS:

Richard Strehlow, Robert Sheesley, Joseph Johnson, Robert Nienas, Richard Reinders, Gene Babler, Lyette Smith, James Mehrling, Robert Reinders, Melvin Schultz, Gloria Smith, Harvey Kroening, Thomas Cassidy, William Blamer, Tony Bertino, Margaret Spriggs, Kathryn Kubiak, Charles Owen, Anthony Baretta, Joanne Peterson, Doris Riepel, Jan Waldron, Dawn Hauck, Anonymous Auxiliary Member



Richard Baczek, and all the volunteers who assisted him, for washing the windows, dusting the entrances, cleaning the bar & hall areas, & performing the outside maintenance of the Post. Warmest thanks for organizing the "need-to-be-done activities" & all of the hard work and outstanding contributions as a member of the Post & specifically as 3rd Vice.

Report from the Bar Manager

By: Bill Simon (414) 520-0425

If you have not heard by now, I want everyone to know that the "Chips" are back. As a result of not offering the chips for the past few weeks, the bar has been really hurting for income. I ask that you (the members) consider why the board had discontinued the chips and why now we have brought them back, and now I ask for your support.

It should also be mentioned that the Chef is no longer with the Post. Because of the short time in replacing him and the help needed to run the kitchen, it was necessary to cancel the Friday fish fry on September 26th. We do hope that this won't happen again.

I am putting out an urgent request that if anyone knows of someone who would like to work for the Post, in the kitchen, to contact me without delay. We are in need of a Cook, Cooks Helper and Dishwashers. Jenny Michaels is now in charge of the kitchen and she needs lots of help.

You will now see that ALL bartenders are now sporting their new shirts. Proper dress for them is Legion shirts and black slacks.

We have also brought back the Post 449 trade mark of using the 50 cent piece. We hope you will use them.

I am always available for your suggestions, so please stop and see me anytime.

Have a wonderful Fall!
In God We Trust - *Bill*



FOOD DRIVE

FOR WAUKESHA SALVATION ARMY
OCTOBER 1ST THROUGH OCTOBER 31ST

The Salvation Army Food Pantry has delivered barrels for us to fill.

Bring your donations to the Post during the month of October. They need non-perishable food items such as: CANNED FRUIT, CANNED VEGETABLES, CANNED SOUPS, BABY FOOD, PASTA & RICE SIDE DISHES, OATMEAL, JELLO, PUDDING MIX, CAKE MIXES, TUNA, ETC.

PLEASE - NO GLASS OR EXPIRED PRODUCTS.

All food items will be distributed at no cost to needy families in Waukesha County

Chaplain' Corner

By: Harvin Abrahamson

I always liked my aunt Lydia. She was always kind to me as far back as I can remember in the days of my childhood; always remembered me with a gift whenever she visited, on my birthday, and at Christmas.

The following is a tale from my childhood.

It was summer; my aunt Lydia and an older cousin, Mathilda, both working in Chicago and on vacation were visiting at our farm home.

After lunch one day, I had gone to my room and was reading (probably one of my prized "Big Little Books") when aunt Lydia and cousin Mathilda came upstairs to the guest room and began talking about ...Me! No doors were closed and this what I overheard in their conversation. "He is such a nice boy, I think it's terrible," said Mathilda, "the way Ted and Sevrina (my parents) are always picking on Harvin!" (the middle child). "Oh", replied Lydia, "I think it's like pouring water on the dust."

Amazing, how quickly Mathilda grew in stature in my estimation! It is not amazing that we love to hear only good things about ourselves. God must at times feel discouraged in what he sees in us---yet we are eternally blessed by His grace and we know He always loves us, even when He must feel He is "pouring water on the dust."

Respectfully,
Harvin



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).

Milton Friberg WWII
Raymond Lenske WWII
William Carriveau Vietnam
Herman Rademacher



Last Bugle (Non-Members)...

(a cartridge pouch and scroll were presented).

William Thomas Vietnam	John Kunkel WWII
Robert Eve WWII	Harold Loche WWII
William Nelson WWII	Owen Rexford WWII
Warren Carity WWII	John Sackenheim
Clarenece Gabor WWII	Larry Burk Vietnam
Lance Schultz Vietnam	

Sick Bay:

Charlie Ross Jim Young

Notes of Interest:

I would like to thank the following families for their generous donations to our Post for services rendered by our Honor Guard: The Schmidt Family, the Wilde Family, and the Carriveau Family.

V.A. News & Info.....

1- Secretary of Veterans Affairs Robert A. McDonald recently launched a national recruiting initiative aimed at bringing the best and brightest health professionals to the Department of Veterans Affairs, which will ultimately expand access to care for veterans. VA is also taking multiple steps to expand capacity at its facilities.

2- Mukwonago American Legion Post 375 is requesting assistance with its current project designed to help out Veterans at Union Grove. For the past two years, the District One Legion Riders, fronted by Rick Whalen and "Hunter", have been helping Mrs. Cathy Wilkenson with her CLOTHES COVERS FOR VETS PROGRAM. The Riders obtain donations of gently used and washed or new T SHIRTS AND SHEETS that Cathy then turns into cloths covers for our Veterans at Union Grove. This item is very popular with the Vets and the Staff, and, ideally, they would like to be able to provide THREE CLOTHS COVERS for each resident veteran (one each for breakfast, lunch, and dinner). Cathy has made 75 covers. In order to meet this need, Post 375 is getting behind this project and is requesting help from the community in gathering enough supplies and volunteers that know how to sew, so that we can meet Union Groves needs and put Cathy in the position of making replacement covers. Our target is to MAKE 385 CLOTHS COVERS which mean we need at least 385 extra large or larger gently used or new donated T shirts with a manly message and sheets for backing. Harley shirts are very popular, Patriotic, NFL Teams, Tractors, Horses, Sports Cars, etc. will work great. No high school shirts are allowed per Union Grove.

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 Veteran's and Fallen Heroes

POW/MIA NEWS by Earl Wood

The following article courtesy of *Bits N Pieces*-The Newsletter of the National Alliance of POW/MIA Families **One Hundred Years Ago** - July 28, 2014 marked the 100th anniversary of the start of World War I. It also marked the beginning of the Communist practice of holding back of any Prisoner of War and American policy of denying their existence. As noted in a report titled "An Examination of U.S. Policy Toward POW/MIAs by the U.S. Senate Committee on Foreign Relations Republican Staff in 1991 (commonly known as the Helms Report),

"The U.S. Government did not publicly admit that U.S. military personnel remained in the custody of the Red Army in Russia upon the return of the American Expeditionary Force in Russia. However, on April 18, 1921, the New York Times reported:

It has been demonstrated that the Soviet government is holding Americans in the hope that the United States will agree to recognize the Soviet [government] or enter into trade relations with it or release communists from prison in this country..."

So began a century of Communist policy to hold back American and Allied POWs from World War I, World War II, Korea, the Cold War and Vietnam. Others like Saddam learned well and continued the practice.



A Note from the Hall Managers

Michelle & David Lee, American Legion Post 449, 262-790-1517



Please help us spread the word about the Hall at Post 449! Let people know that we have a banquet hall for rent. It seats up to 200.

Contact Michelle or David Lee at post449hall@gmail.com or call us at 262.790.1517.

Michelle & David

MILWAUKEE BLOOD CENTER BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, November 6, 2 P.M. - 6 P.M.
AMERICAN LEGION POST 449,
3245 N. 124th St. Brookfield, Wisconsin

Contact Carol Lers At 262-691-5873 or e-mail

Carol @ carolelers@outlook.com to schedule your appointment

A Big "Thank You" from the Americanism Chair

By Lisa Gerboth

I want to say THANK YOU to IBM for the grant I received from them for the Americanism material I use to give out to the schools and the community. This grant is the sole funding for all the Americanism projects I do each year and therefore *none of the funds came out of the Post's budget*. If you are interested in helping with Americanism (i.e. taking over doing the Patriotic displays at the Brookfield and Elm Grove Libraries) please email me at: LisaAnn315@yahoo.com or call me at: (507) 226-1796.



HONOR GUARD FUND RAISER FOR THE POST



MEAT ♦ BOOZE RAFFLE ♦ MONEY WHEEL
(start after sign in)

WHEN: OCTOBER 18, 2014

TIME: 1130A-? (WE RUN OUT)

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Empowering Women, Inspiring Communities

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The President's Message...

By: Lylette Smith (414) 378-4107

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“SERVICE, NOT SELF”

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!!



Our next Auxiliary meeting is October 21, 2014. Our program will be about ‘membership’. Please join us for a fun filled meeting! Have you paid your \$22.00 Membership Dues yet? Please do so ASAP and honor the Veteran who gave you your eligibility to be an Auxiliary member.

Don't miss the Auxiliary's Halloween Sign-In/Raffle on October 25th. Please wear your costume and be prepared for a Spook-Tackler FUN time. This year our Junior Auxiliary Members, led by Shannon Hargraves, will have a ‘Pumpkin Carving Event’ on October 25th in the hall. All children 18 and under are welcome to participate. Please sign up in advance (to ensure we have enough pumpkins) with Shannon Hargraves at 904-415-1597.

Please don't forget the Auxiliary Food Drive for the month of October, for the Salvation Army of Waukesha County. Fill the bins and show that we care. They are in great need this year. Thank you to ALL who have made donations for all of our Veteran Events and for Volunteering!!

Our Fashion Show and Luncheon is November 1st and quickly approaching. Please place your reservations by October 25, 2014 & reserve your seats for only \$27.00. See the ad for details.

Donations of a 2# can of coffee for Camp American Legion for the month of October are being accepted by the Auxiliary. Please bring your 2# cans of coffee (any brand) to the October meeting, or they can be given to Doris Dittl or any Executive Committee Member.

Happy Birthday and God Bless to our “Special Birthday Ladies” for October 2014: 1) Katie Bloedorn 2) Millie Wdowicki 6) Kathy Johnson 10) Jo Pasbrig 12) Lynn Kelly 17) Marie Zellmer 18) Colleen Rupert, Theresa Seegert 31) Betty Bertino. 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.

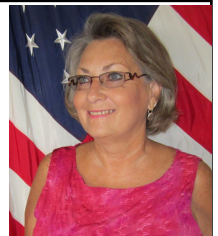
UPCOMING EVENTS – PLEASE SHOW YOUR SUPPORT!

- Oct 4 Sat Muske Fishing w/Veterans and Lunch
- Oct 18 Sat Auxiliary 1st District Conference
- Oct 20 Mon Cub Scout Pack 87 – Flag Etiquette
- Oct 21 Tue Auxiliary Monthly Meeting 7:00pm
- Oct 25 Sat Auxiliary Halloween Sign In/Raffle
- Oct 27-Nov 2 2014 National Veterans Creative Arts Festival
- Nov 1 Sat Auxiliary Fashion Show • Clothes by Dress Barn
- Nov 8 Sat Veteran Parade – Milwaukee (Meet @ Post 8 A.M.
- Nov. 12 Wed. Metcalfe School 12:30 - 2:30 P.M.
- Nov 18 Tue Auxiliary Monthly Meeting 7:00pm
- Nov 22 Sat Auxiliary Craft Fair
- Dec 7 Sun Post 449 Birthday Party
- Dec 13 Sat Kids Christmas Party
- Dec 16 Tue 7:00pm Auxiliary Monthly Meeting & Christmas Party

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

1st Vice Report By: Kathy McCarthy
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Hello Everyone!, Happy Fall !!!!



The weather is cooling down and the leaves are changing and so should we. Commander Ron Anderson has been busy going to the SAL meeting, coming to our last meeting and at this weeks general meeting the message has been the same. Things must change within the post if we want to keep it running. As the out doors change we must look at ourselves for change. Accept each other as we are and keep our own opinons to the positive side not to the negative. We have so many good things happening now and in the future lets not spoil them with senseless bickering and name calling. We are better than that. Lets keep our eyes on the goals of helping our fellow veterans and their families.

Coming up this October we have a lot to help with and attend. October 4th is the veterans fishing trip and luncheon at the post. If you see them make sure we all welcome them and thank them for their service.

October 18th is the Fall Concert Tour in Union Grove. It is also the **Honor Guard Fund Raiser**, to help them raise money for the unit. So for those not going to the Concert Tour, come and support our Honor Guard, the best unit in the area.

October 25th is our Halloween Sign In. Start thinking about your costumes. An added feature this year will be the junior members carving pumpkins for the Post. Can't wait to see those cute kids dressed up in their costumes.

November 1st is the Fashion Show.

So keep these dates open and I hope to see you all at these events.

Remember your fall cleaning. We are in need of yarn and fabric.
Until next month May God Bless and keep you well!!

*See You At The Post
Kathy*

2nd Vice Report By: Colleen Rupert (414) 336-8261

Happy Fall Everyone !

I would like to thank our hostess Lilli Schwantes, Lylette Smith, Diane Larsen, Betty Bertino, Jean Ramlow, and Kathy McCarthy. You all did a great job. I would also like to thank Laura Roche and Theresa Seegert for setting up the food.

Our hostesses for October are Laura Roche, Theresa Seegert, and Shirley Sackitt. I am happy to report that we have almost all the school supplies needed. Just a few more are needed such as pencil boxes, glue sticks, hand sanitizers, small tissue packs, rulers, Post-It Notes, pencil sharpeners, markers (no highlighters please) and bags to place all the items in.

Until next time ♦ Be Safe!
God Bless.

Chaplain Sandy's Message

By: *Sandy Dearing* sandydearing@yahoo.com

"God doesn't give us more than we can handle."



I have heard that phrase so many times in the last few months that I almost started believing it myself. But as I pray for friends and family members going through trials and difficulties, God reminds me instead that "My grace is sufficient for you."

We were never meant to handle alone all that life dishes out or that God allows. Instead we are instructed to give our burdens to the Lord.

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light. Matthew 11:28 - 30.

The Lord calls us to be joined with Him so that we can carry this load together, because many times God does allow us to endure more than we can handle in our own strength. If we learn to lean on God for the small trials in our lives, when the big things come, and we can be sure they will, we will already know what to do and how to survive. Lean on God for everything because He tells us;

My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness. 2 Corinthians 12:9

Please continue to pray for our nation, our troops and our veterans, and may our almighty God bless you with an everlasting love.

Sandy

REMINDER: There will be a FASHION SHOW committee meeting on Tuesday October 21 at 5:30 pm..



Do you know...? The American Legion Auxiliary emblem signifies the important principles of our American way of life and our Constitutional form of government. The emblem background is formed by the rays of the sun and represent the principles of the American Legion Auxiliary - Loyalty, Justice, Freedom, and Democracy. The rings of gold and blue each have meaning; the outer gold ring represents the rehabilitation of our sick and disabled veterans; the inside gold ring, the welfare of America's children; and the unbroken circle of blue, Unity and Loyalty. The star, emblem of service both during times of war and peace, symbolizes honor, glory and constancy. The field of white behind the star exemplifies the hope of Freedom. The words "American Legion Auxiliary" combine all the meanings to symbolize truth, remembrance, constancy, honor, service, veterans affairs and rehabilitation, children and youth, loyalty, and Americanism.

Notes From The Membership

Team Anita (Sam) Catura & Laura Roche

We are off and running with a good start to the 2015 GOAL of 466 members by November 11th. What a wonderful way to **honor our Veterans**, than to make sure we have our renewals paid by **Veteran's Day**. Renewals are coming in at a good pace.



Congratulations to our "Early Bird" Winner for August:

Joyce Bevan

"Early Bird" Winner for September: Mary Gilpatrick

Each received a check for \$10.00.

Remember there are a couple of ways to submit the renewals:

♦ Drop off at the Post in the "locked boxes" located at the front and back entrances. Mark as Auxiliary dues on the outside of the envelope and seal the envelope.

♦ You can hand them to the bartenders if you want. Again mark **Aux** Membership.

♦ 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

PLEASE NOTE: National Renewal notices have my address incorrect. Please correct before mailing to me. My mailperson will appreciate your help.

SR dues are \$22.00 • JR dues are \$3.50 (anyone under the age of 18)

New This Year: Membership dues waived for the first year for any

Female Veteran (first year of membership only) Contact me for more information and form. If you do not receive a reminder, it could be that we do not have your current address.

Please help your Auxiliary and the Post by always updating your mailing address. It cost not only time, but dollars for the Post when we cannot deliver the newsletters and other information in a timely manner.

- Join me in welcoming the following NEW MEMBERS •
- ♦ **Diane Krueger** Recruited by: ????
- ♦ **Judy Polcznski** Recruited by: Bonne Piszczek
- ♦ **Jane Ziem** Recruited by: Kat Kalyvas
- ♦ **Sara Willert** Recruited by: Lylette Smith
- ♦ **Emily Willert** (Jr member) Recruited by: Lylette Smith

Pause for a moment to remember our deceased members:

Bernice Brich Joined: 4/4/2003 Patricia Barfield Joined: 10/1/1990

Invitation: I would like to invite ALL members, especially any newer members over the last 2 years, to our October Monthly Membership meeting. The date will be October 21st at 7pm. Please mark your calendars now. There will be a special program to welcome our newer members and also time to honor our more experienced members as they share some wonderful memories with us. If you recruited a member, bring them to the meeting. This will be a fun, exciting program that you will not want to miss. A sure way to guarantee successful programs, is to work together as a family, get to know each other and appreciate all of the unique talents, used for the good of our Veterans and their families.

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

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WE ARE NUMBER 1

By Mike Pook, Squadron 449 Commander
(414-202-5519)

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[Facebook - Mike Pook](#)

The S.A.L. is made up of boys and men of all ages who are male descendants of veterans. Sons have always assisted Legionnaires with Legion Family programs. Just as the Legion determines the extent of its service to the community, state and nation, the squadron is permitted flexibility in planning programs and activities to meet our needs. Perhaps most importantly we teach the fundamentals of good citizenship as we assist in caring for veterans and their families.

There are many men who are members of both The American Legion and the Sons of The American Legion. Sons focus on much more than just membership. WE assist with Veterans programs and hospital volunteerism, Children and Youth projects and fundraising, promoting Americanism and assist with National Security. For example National Security included the September 20, POW/MIA Silent March held in Lake Geneva which Squadron members participated in.

WE are Proud possessors of a priceless heritage who associate ourselves together as "Sons of The American Legion" for the following purposes:

- Uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;
- Maintain law and order,
- To foster and perpetuate a true spirit of Americanism;
- To preserve the memories of our former members and our forefathers in the Great Wars;
- Indoctrinate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation;
- To fight the autocracy of both the classes and masses;
- To make right the master of might;
- WE promote peace and good will on earth;
- Safeguard for future generations the principles of justice, freedom and democracy;
- Give our friendship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness;
- Adopt in letter and spirit all of the great principles for which The American Legion stands; and to assist in carrying on for God and Country.

YOU can Help US To support Veterans and their Families! WE Can Made A Difference!



Nov 8 ► Milwaukee's Veteran's Day Parade, You can march with us, drive a Veteran, or bring a cool car!

Nov 11 ► 11 A.M. Memorial Service conducted by Squadron Chaplain Brad Catura

Nov 11 ► 4 to 7p The SAL will be serving Food for the Legion family to enjoy.

Dec 13 ► Kids Christmas Party, WE NEED Volunteers to assist! Please contact Garry Kennedy or Brad Catura with any concerns or questions.

SAL Adjutant's Column

By Brad Catura (262-617-2749)

Thank you to everyone who has sent in their \$10.00 for their 2015 membership renewals. As of this writing, we stand at 138 members. Unfortunately, as an old sales manager of mine used to say: "we cannot rest on our laurels." So please, spread the word to everyone you know to get their renewal in ASAP. Our goal for 2015 is 206 members. We still have a 2 year special for NEW MEMBERS ONLY of \$18.00. Renewals are just \$10.00!

I would like to see us reach 162 by Veterans Day, Tues November 11th. Speaking of Veterans Day, I would like to invite everyone to come to our Veterans Memorial Service, at the Post, on Tuesday Morning. It will begin at 11 AM. More details to follow, but mark your calendar now! For God and Country, let us pull **together** and stay united. See you at the Post.

Exercise Daily - Walk with God!




SAL Chaplain's Message...

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


<http://www.bradsfitness-lifestylesolutions.com/>

This past Saturday, Sam and I attended The Wisconsin servicemen going all the way back to WWII, and countless families who will never have closure, it is heartening to know that they are not forgotten. During the ceremony, the names of some of the MIA'S were read off as "unaccounted for". I have faith though that GOD knows the whereabouts of each and every one of these men, and I further believe that if we pray and ask GOD to send His Holy Spirit to strengthen our POW/MIA and their families, that He will do so. Won't you please join me in saying a prayer for our separated comrades?

Lord, I beseech Thee to strengthen the souls of our separated comrades, make us always aware of their absence. May we always keep them in our prayers, and let us never fail to provide comfort and encouragement to their loved ones. This we pray in your Holy Name. Amen.



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Music Calendar

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OCTOBER

THURSDAY 6 to 9

2 Frankie Donn
 9 Tomm Lehnigk
 16 Mike Eve

23 Frankie Donn
 30 Tomm Lehnigk

FRIDAY 7 to 10:30

3 Tomm Lehnigk
 10 Chris Vesche
 17 Brennan & Mike
 24 Mike Eve
 31 Roger Boll

SATURDAY 8 to Midnight

4 RevRaven & Chain Smoking
 Alter Boys
 11 Boomers
 18 Ricochettes
 25 Nostalgia

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 Mike Eve: Singing Dance Tunes 50's-60's

Roger Boll: 3 Piece Ensemble/Dance Favorites
 Brennan & Mike: Guitar Duo/Variety/Soft Rock
 RevRaven & Chain Smoking Alter Boys: Blues/Rock/Soul
 Boomers: Oldies/Classic Pop/Surf
 Ricochettes: 60's British Invasion Music
 Nostalgia: Oldies/Classic Pop

REQUEST YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT

As part of the Legion's "Get Out The Vote" (GOTV) program, Post 449 is encouraging all its members to vote. One easy way to vote is by Absentee ballot. *A form to request an Absentee ballot is located in the front entrance on the military display cabinet.*

- ◆ ANYONE can vote by absentee ballot (you don't have to be injured, etc.)
- ◆ You can request an absentee ballot anytime starting Jan. 1, 2014 for this year's elections.
- ◆ If you are not registered to vote in the city/town/village you now live, you must [register](#) before you can obtain an absentee ballot.
- ◆ Due to two recent court injunctions, absentee

voters are not presently required to provide a photo ID before obtaining ballot.

Voting By Absentee Ballot

- ◆ If you requested that an absentee ballot be sent to you, it will be mailed via US mail. The envelope will contain instructions for the ballot's return, as well as a return, postage-paid envelope. Make sure you sign your absentee ballot envelope and have your signature witnessed.
- ◆ You may cast an absentee ballot in the City Clerk's office from 8:15 am to 4:30 pm beginning on the third Monday before each election. The last day to cast an in-person absentee ballot at the Clerk's office is 5:00 pm on the Friday before each election.

Permanent Absentee Voters

- ◆ Registered electors who are indefinitely confined because of age, physical illness, or

infirmity, may request that an absentee ballot be sent automatically for every election.

- ◆ Submit the [Absentee Ballot Request Form](#) to the City Clerk's office where you live. Below are addresses for Wauwatosa, Brookfield and Elm Grove city clerk's office.

Wauwatosa City Clerk
 7725 W. North Ave.
 Wauwatosa, WI 53213

Brookfield City Clerk
 2000 N. Calhoun Rd.
 Brookfield, WI 53005

Elm Grove City Clerk
 13600 Juneau Blvd.
 Elm Grove, WI 53122

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Time, Menu, Program, Cost & Reservation Information will be published in November 449er

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Fashions by the Dress Barn
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Menu

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