

January 2015

Rose Harms Legionnaire

31st ANNUAL LAS VEGAS NIGHT

Saturday, February 21, 2015.



Doors open at 6:30

Free beer from 6:30 to 7:30 pm

Games will take place from 7:00 to 11:00

Please try to sell your raffle tickets that were enclosed in your December newsletter as this is a large part of the evenings profits. If you are in need of more tickets please call the post at 377-8887 and we'll see that you get more tickets. Ticket stubs and money can be mailed back to the post or they can be placed in the mail slot at the front doors of the post.

More help is always needed;

Contact Steve Shock at 377-3728 if you can give him a hand dealing cards.

Contact Kevin Dressel at 375-1283 if you can help him out with the craps tables or roulette wheel.

Contact Butch Paegelow at 377-9596 if you have any questions or can lend a hand for the evening.

**Please tell family and friends to come out the evening of February 21th and have some fun.
Make this a successful evening for Post 355.**

Up coming events at the Post

January 31st	Post Bowling
February 2nd	Post Executive Committee
February 9th	Post meeting
February 10th	BINGO
February 10th	SAL (6:30 start)
February 16th	Card Club
February 16th	Military Historians Club
February 20th	Set up for LV night
February 21st	Las Vegas Night



Highlights from the Post's last Meeting

Chaplain Report: Les Williams reported on funerals for Post members Elroy Scheer and Harley Pals. Les also reported on numerous visits to infirm Post members which enrich his avocation, and the delivery of 8 fruit baskets to ailing Post members.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Mike Knoppa reported on the excellent firing squad presence at the 2 Post funerals with harsh cold weather, and also the squad's performance of colors for an Iraqi veteran with service-connected cancer.

Blood Drive: Mike Knoppa thanked the 42 who turned out for the Post Blood Drive.

Athletic: Doug Arendt reported on the County Bowling Tournament to be held at the Circle "B" on the 7th and 8th of March. The cost is \$12.00 per contestant. See Doug for sign up . . .

Building & Grounds: Al Richards reported new ceiling fans have been installed on the main deck. Thanks to all who helped in their installation.

Camp American Legion: Dick Lallensack reported Camp opening is scheduled for April 15—May 1. Ozaukee County's rotation is April 20th.

Public Safety: Ken Kasprzak reported all is in place for Public Safety Awards for police, fire, and EMT to be presented at the St. Patty's Day dinner.

New Business: Dan Hans, 40 year post member, and his guest Dan Gundrum were present. KAPCO and Hometown Heroes need volunteers for set up at the Grand Slam Charity Concert event. Set up is March 5th. See Keith Sladky for more info.

Good of the Legion:

- The Military Historians Club will present WWI author and recreation specialist, Robert Lapander. He wears the WWI uniform, displays artifacts and is a great speaker.
- The annual 4 Chaplains Dinner will be held on February 7th, in Saukville.
- The annual Youth in Government Day will be held at the old courthouse in Port Washington on March 4. Brian gave the Post checks totaling \$1030 to use for the Post's Scholarship fund, in honor of his father and long time Post member, Gene Hadler.
- A thank you and donation of \$150.00 from the Leroy Paulin Family in honor of Marceline Paulin

Correspondence: Commander Jim Arentz read the following thank you letters from:

- the Grafton Chamber of Commerce for the Post participation in the Christmas Parade
- Hometown heroes for Post tent rental support
- Renata Quillen for the fruit basket
- John Long Middle School for the American Flag donation
- Grafton Family Sharing for the Post donation
- Milwaukee Homeless Veterans Initiative for Post support
- Wisconsin's candidate for National Commander, Denise Rohan for our Post's support
- Tom and Laverne Kuenstler for the fruit basket

Calendar Raffle:

\$50.00 – Ron Block
\$30.00 – Dick Lallensack
\$25.00 – Bob Matthaeus
\$20.00 – Tom Golderg
\$15.00 – Steve Shock
\$10.00 – Eric Barberi



Madeline Weskiewicz of Grafton High School won the 2nd District Oratorical contest and now moves on to the regional contest at Ripon College on February 14.

District Oratorical Chairman Ron Kuta, Madeline and District Commander Dan Seehafer.

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Meeting Notes

Current SAL account balance is \$3,685 after we paid \$422 on the new TV with mount and \$612 on new flags for the Legion.

We now have 68 members. Nine new members joined. Tim Osowski attended his first meeting.

Members voted to donate \$350 plus shipping to purchase ten Josh Dog kits, for children whose parent is being deployed.

Members agreed to reimburse \$262 to Al for toys he purchased for children with parents being deployed because there weren't enough Josh Dog kits at the time.

Camp American Legion will be opening April 15 – May 2, 2015.

Special Story

You may have heard about Myles Eckert, the eight year old who found \$20 and gave it to a soldier. <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/ohio-8-year-old-turns-20-into-priceless-gift/> Well, Myles, who is now 9, took the initiative to get a dying soldier (Sgt. Robert Monroy) tickets to the January 11, 2015 Packer Game, which was something on his bucket list. Hometown Heroes and members of our Legion family were involved to help Sgt. Monroy have an enjoyable trip to the game. More can be found here. <http://wbay.com/2015/01/09/terminally-ill-veteran-crosses-off-bucket-list-item-at-packers-game/> Facebook Users See: <https://www.facebook.com/GreenandGoldforSgtMonroy>

Upcoming Legion Post Dinner Volunteers - obtain/setup reimbursable food items by 7:45pm

Feb 9 – Chris & Corey

Mar 9 – Neal

Apr 13 - Mike

Upcoming Events - See Rose Harms website for all events http://griftonlegion.com/?page_id=2

Jan 31 – SAL 9 pin bowling tournament at Grafton Bowl with 9am check-in and 10am bowling (see flyer for signup details)

Jan 31 – Chili Challenge Fundraiser at Saukville post beginning at 4pm to benefit Denise Rohan's National Commander Candidate campaign. Enjoy food, raffles, games and Karaoke.

Feb 21 – Las Vegas Night: Raffles and games offered at this important fundraiser. Requesting SAL volunteers to work. Please contact Robert or Richard if you are not able to make a SAL meeting prior to this event.

SAL Meetings:

Feb 10

Mar 10

Apr 14





**Rose Harms Post 355
American Legion Auxiliary
January Newsletter**



The Unit's January meeting was filled with information and adventure. Let me briefly share the events of the night with you.

Information: We draped the charter for Lillian Schreiner, Marceline Paulin and Sharon Wrecza. We will miss them. May they rest in peace.

A check for \$1158.00 was presented to the Stars and Stripes Honor Flight by ALA President Sue, TAL Commander Jim and SAL Commander Bob. Amy Luft accepted the check. This donation was possible because of the successful Packer Party held at the Post in December. Thank you to the entire Legion Family for their support of this project.

The Legion Riders are hosting a fundraiser for Denise Rohan in her quest to become the first female National Commander of the American Legion. The event will be in Saukville on January 31st. **If you would like to donate a homemade pie or cake please call Sue (262-389-4644).** It will be a fun night so mark your calendar and we'll see you in Saukville.

The Legion's annual Las Vegas night will be on February 21st. The ALA will once again have hamburgers and brats for sale and will be auctioning 2 baskets. **If you are available to help that night please call Sue to get your name on the volunteer list.**

The ALA's No-Bake Bake Sale will **run for the entire month of February.** We are asking all members of the Legion Family to consider helping with this fundraising effort. **Please see enclosed form.**

The Unit will host a **President's Day Brunch on Sunday, February 15th.** We are still looking for volunteers to help with this event. If you would be able to pass out flyers, help with set-up or clean-up or help with food items, **please contact Pam Klenner (262-375-0085) to get your name on the list.** Thank you!

The Ozaukee County Bowling Tournament will be March 7th and 8th at Circle B. Entries must be in by March 1st. If you would like to bowl please give Sue a call.

Your family prayer and picture for the Prayer Book are due to Linda Brown by the next meeting. You will want to be a part of this project for the Unit. Call Linda (262-268-8296) with any questions.

Thank you notes were received from Dom 123 at Zablocki for our contribution of craft stockings for St. Nick. The stockings were made by the special ed class at Grafton High School and included gift cards the vets could use for the holidays. Other thank you notes included Camp Hometown Heroes for the Legion Family participation in their Heroes at Sea Cruise send-off: The 911th Forward Surgical Team for the holiday packages, Camp Hometown Heroes for the Legion Family Honor Guard for Sgt Monroy, for the Legion family participation in Grafton's Christmas Tree Lighting and from ALA members unable to come to meetings for the Christmas boxes delivered to them.

Our special adventure was learning to arm knit. Thanks to Ruth and Mary Czerwinski for helping us learn to make a scarf with our arms. It was a challenging but fun adventure.

Judy Kuta
Secretary

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PRESENTS



February 15, 2015

**Doors Open at 9:00 AM Serving
until 1:00 PM**

1540 13th Avenue, Grafton

Tickets available at the door

Adults \$10.95 - Children 5 to 10 years \$5.95

Children under 5 are FREE

