

# Rose Harms Legionnaire

### **September 2014**

#### **Upcoming Post Events**

October 2nd Flag Retirement Ceremonies will be held at the Ozaukee County Fair

Grounds starting at 7:00 pm

October 6th Post Executive Committee meeting

October 13th Post meeting

October 14th BINGO

October 14th SAL meeting

October 20th Military Historians

October 20th Card party

November 8th Veterans Day Dinner

November 10th Post meeting

November 11th Veterans Day march to Veterans Park at 10:30 am

Following the ceremonies, an open house and lunch at the Post.

December 14th Packer Party





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## Highlights of our last Post meeting

Chaplain Report: Les Williams reported: Post member Henry Klapproth has died. Bob Matthaeus has had heart issues and was hospitalized for two weeks but is doing OK now. Harold Walsh needs a new knee.

**Membership**: Gary Gilstrap reported membership is at 197. John Meyer, new member to the Post was at the meeting.

**Sergeant-at-Arms:** Nick Schanen reported a funeral honors walk through for Jon Sprader.

**Athletic:** Doug Arendt reported 51 golfers signed up for Post outing with 1:00 pm shotgun • start followed by great raffles and dinner.

**Hall Report**: Al Richards presented August Hall Report which was unanimously accepted. Following a somewhat lean summer as far as business goes a better fall is in the offing.

**Building & Grounds:** Butch Paegelow reported the Post window project for the east side of the building is scheduled for late September or October.

**Vegas Night:** Vegas Night 2015 scheduled for Saturday, February 21, 2015.

**Scouts**: Steve Shock reported Scoutmaster for Post troop has been contacted for a presentation during our October meeting.

**Oratorical:** Lee Wiskirchen reported he will contact Zach Gaeske, Grafton High School Oratorical coordinator, in late September regarding the Post's contest scheduled before our December meeting.

**POW/MIA:** Jim Stencel reported that, Robert Trey, a Marine Corps Veteran with two tours of duty in Vietnam, has painted a large American Flag on a rock just outside Armstrong Creek. It is highly visible from State Highway 8.

**Camp American Legion:** Dick Lallensack reminded Post members of Camp closing the week of September 29th.

#### **New Business:**

Bob Chapelle, Department Commander, spoke to the membership and thanked us for our support in his campaign.

#### Good of the Legion:

- Koria Kozak's Eagle Scout Project, a plaque with the names of all Post members past and present has been completed. It is now hanging on the south wall of the Post.
- The Fall Conference is in Beaver Dam on Saturday, October 25th.
- Kevin Johnson needs drivers to take Vets to and from the Zablocki VA Hospital.
- The County Council has instituted new money awards for Oratorical Contest to include \$200 to the winner, \$100 to 2nd place, and \$50 to each other participant
- On Monday, October 20th, the Military Historians will feature a panel of three WWII
  Combat Aviators. One will be a B24 navigator who was shot down, cashed landed in
  Switzerland and escaped to France.

**Correspondence:** Commander Jim Arentz read the following:

- A thank-you card from Sue Turowski for Post support for the KAPCO Company party
- A thank-you from the Grafton Chamber of Commerce for Post support for their Grand Night Out in Grafton

#### Calendar Raffle:

\$50.00 – Gina Hilgart \$30.00 – Elanor Laydon \$25.00 – Jean Beck \$20.00 – Chris Salamone \$15.00 – Jim Johnson \$10.00 – Romy Monarski

Packer tickets where won by Renata Quillen



#### Sons of the American Legion September

By Craig Butler

Volunteers are needed to help with numerous projects at Camp American Legion in Tomahawk. Open dates for our Post are scheduled September 29 thru October 5 even though people could go earlier. A SAL group is planning to attend 10/1 - 10/3. Anyone else who can help, call Bob or Dick (Heinz & Sons 57 Auto Body) @ 377-4190 to sign up.

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Oktoberfest Beer Tasting, SAL's primary fundraiser, is planned for October 23 at the Fire Ridge Golf Club. Food pairings presentations for beer and wine will be conducted and a Paddle Wheel raffle will be available to win prizes. Advanced tickets are \$25 or \$30 at the door. SAL members will sell tickets and people can pick up tickets at Fire Ridge or the Grafton Legion Post. SAL volunteers are needed for the event. Contact Dick (Heinz & Sons 57 Auto Body) @ 377-4190 if you can volunteer. Member note: any unsold tickets should be returned to the Post.

SAL is donating \$500 to Denise Rohan's campaign as National Commander candidate

Upcoming Legion Post Dinner SAL volunteers that arrange for and setup food by 6:30pm

Oct 13 - Neil & Dick

Nov 10 – Kim & Craig

Dec 8 - Volunteers needed

Jan 12 - Volunteers needed

#### **Events**

October 23 - 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Oktoberfest Beer Tasting, Flannery's Bar and Restaurant @ Fire Ridge Golf Club

Nov 11 - Veterans Day Parade, meet @ 10am at the Post

Nov 29 – Grafton Christmas Parade

SAL Meetings (second Tuesday of the month):

**Oct 14** 

**Nov 11** 

Dec 9

Jan 13

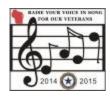
Feb 10

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**Note:** SAL now has a Facebook page that you can find by searching for *Sons of the American Legion Grafton* in FB.



#### Rose-Harms Unit 355 American Legion Auxiliary September Newsletter



Kara Olds, one of the Unit's Badger Girls for 2014, spoke to us about her week at Badger Girls State. She was the County Surveyor and made maps of her county while there. Even though the agenda for the week was a little overwhelming at first, she learned a lot and met great girls from across the state. Thank you Kara for sharing your memories of the week with us.

Our Unit is looking for other corporate sponsors for Badger Girls. Mel Nowak handed out brochures explaining the program. She has more available if you know of a business that might be interested in sponsoring a Badger Girl.

The Unit decided to provide a basket for Fall Forum. We donated a birdbath with stand, a suet pack with holder and a singing cardinal as our basket.

The Ozaukee County meeting will be on October 15<sup>th</sup> hosted by the Saukville Unit. Please let Sue know if you would like to attend.

The National Creative Arts Festival will be held in Milwaukee this year. Our Unit will be providing some snacks for the participants. We will be accepting donations of individual bags of <u>chips</u> (assorted varieties welcome), <u>candy</u> (wrapped bars and pieces), <u>cookies</u> (must be store purchased, wrapped ones), <u>cracker/cheese packets</u>, <u>granola bars</u>, <u>Little Debbie snacks</u>, <u>beef jerkey or sticks</u>. Please bring your donation to our next meeting on October 21<sup>st</sup>. If you would like to donate, but will not be at the next meeting please call Mel (377-1776) or Judy (377-8613) to arrange delivery or pick-up.

Because this year the Christmas Gift Shop at Zablocki will be moving to a new location, they will not be accepting the traditional items you usually donate. They are asking for gift cards or monetary donations only. Gift cards for coffee, gas, or store purchases will be accepted. You may purchase card/cards for the amount you usually spend on purchases or make a check payable to ALA-WI and write "Christmas Gift Shop" on the memo line. The Christmas Gift Shop allows veterans at Zablocki to pick out a gift for their family member at no cost to the veteran. Please bring your gift card/cards or checks to the October meeting.

Our Unit will be purchasing 3 copies of the book <u>Faces of Freedom</u>. The book is about the first military person to die from each state during the Irag-Afghanistan wars. One will go to the High School, one to the public library and one for the Post.

Hopefully you will be joining us for a fun Membership Tea on Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup>. This is our opportunity to introduce prospective members to the Auxiliary. Wear hats and gloves to enhance the "Tea Experience". Bring along your favorite tea cup. Please RSVP to Linda Faas at 375-1833 or <a href="lifeas@sbcglobal.net">llfaas@sbcglobal.net</a>. We hope to see you there.

Blessings, Judy Kuta Secretary



## American Legion Riders Association District 2

District 2 was very well represented at the **Rhino's Run**. A total of 14 members road some or the entire route, including a new member that joined after the ride. Wisconsin's \$70,000 was the 2nd highest donation, to the Legacy Scholarship Fund, at the National Convention. Our "Line of Duty" print raffle made it possible for District 2 Riders to donate \$2,000.

#### Mid-Winter Social will be held on Saturday, Feb 7, 2015:

F-Troop stopped in at Iron Ridge Inn regarding our dinner social. He said that they will give us the private room at no charge. Meal will be \$17 or \$19 per person; this includes the buffet, tax and tip. Price will be determined if Prime Rib is included. F-Troop was then appointed to chair the event.

Kurt Sutinen is holding a one day "Ride to Door County" on Saturday, Oct 11, 2014.

Ride will start at the Saukville Post with kickstands up at 9:00 am. Save the date, more information will come by email. Kurt will determine if weather permits for this ride early in the week of. Sunday will be the rain date.

Bob Flynn is in the VA Hospital and our thoughts and prayers are for his speedy recovery.

Our recently departed friend, Ray Schwinn's motorcycle will be donated to Rawhide in Oct, as was his wish. District 2 Riders did send flowers and card. Question was asked if family would like us to escort his bike to Rawhide.



#### Tavern League of Wisconsin

#### Dear Member:

Enclosed is a proposal by Mr. Bob Johnson to help our veterans. In cooperation with the Tavern League of Wisconsin, Mr. Johnson is offering free bartender training to any of our interested veterans.

Mr. Johnson offers a comprehensive course that will fully prepare anyone taking the course for a career in bartending. Please note that, upon completion of this course, one still needs to take an approved Responsible Server Course to be certified by the State of Wisconsin. This can be done online at a cost of \$14.95 on the TLW website (<a href="https://www.tlw.org">www.tlw.org</a>).

Please get the word out to any interested veterans. This is a great opportunity and one that should be taken advantage of. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Pete Madland Executive Director

# Veterans Day Dinner Saturday, November 8th

**Everyone one is Welcome!** 



All paid up Veterans of the Rose Harms Post get a Free Dinner!! Compliments' off the Sons of the American Legion and the Auxiliary,.

So, renew your dues before Veterans' Day and join us for a great dinner and a fun night.

6:00 p.m. Social hour 7:00 Dinner 8:00 Special Entertainment with Music and Dancing to Follow

Please mark down if you are a Post Veteran

Non-Veterans x \$15 =	= Total enclosed \$
Name	Name

Make checks payable to and mail to;

Rose Harms Post 355 1540 13th Ave. Grafton, WI 53024

