# Rose Harms Legionnaire

## **April 2016**



## **Congratulations Larry!**

Post Commander Ken Kasprzak (left) and Chairman Nick Schanen (right) presents Larry Engel with his Rose Harms Post 355 "Legionnaire of the Year" paid up for life bronze membership card.

This is the highest honor the Post can award to one of its members.



## **Upcoming Events**

April 2nd County Bowling at the Cedars Bowling Lanes

April 4th Post Executive meeting

April 7th Ozaukee County meeting

at Concordia Post 1881

April 11th Post general meeting

April 12th BINGO

April 12th SAL meeting (lower hall)

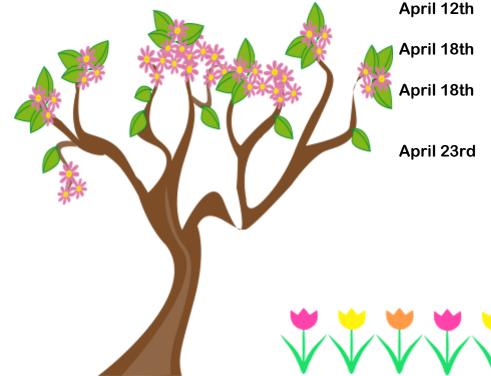
April 18th Military Historians Club

April 18th Post's Card club

Everyone is welcome

The Post's Auxiliary "Wine Tasting Night"





## COMMANDER'S CORNER—Ken Kasprzak



Case In Point — Who is this US Army soldier as pictured? It was taken in 1972 soon after his discharge from the Medical Service Corps.

Yes, it's me and I'm proud to have served our country during the Vietnam War.

Today, I also am very proud to be our Post Commander. As your Commander, I am still learning and appreciate all the help that our members have given me. I am thankful for their direction and support. It is helping me make the right decisions for our continued success as an American Legion Post.

Our Memorial Day Ceremony is being planned with some changes. We plan to focus our program in honor of veterans who died serving our country. School awards and Badger Boys/Girls recognition will be done at time to be announced. Any questions contact Bill Clayton or myself.

## Memorial Brick Update.

Great news! Our current brick orders total the "equivalent" of 163, 4x8 bricks. Initial order is planned for April 1. Format in a word document has been typed and checked by committee members. Dedication is tentatively scheduled for June 12.

 Certificates of Continuous Membership will be given to the following Rose-Harms Post members.

Eugene Cebulski----60 years. Donald Proefrock----60 years.

Thank You for being a dedicated member of the American Legion. Your allegiance is much appreciated.

### GOOD OF THE LEGION.

The Germantown American Legion Post 1 will host the Vietnam Moving Wall from September 1st thru the 5th, Labor Day weekend. It will be on display in Germantown at the Kennedy Middle School athletic field. The Moving Wall is a half-size replica of the Washington DC Vietnam Veterans Memorial and has been touring the country for 30-plus years. Since it was built it has been in over 1,300 cities. Also, the Healing Field, a visual display of hundreds of American flags. For more information, contact Jim Heimann at 414-507-0007 or brdog51@yahoo.com

Marcus Center's Wilson Theater at Vogel Hall presents "The Accidental Hero" April 23 at 730pm. True story about a WWII officer from Wisconsin who liberates the Czech villages of his grandparents.

Mighty Second District Spring Conference on Saturday, April 30. Held at the Lakeshore Lanes in Sheboygan. Contact me at 262-618-4925 for more information.

Ozaukee County Bowling Tournament, April 2nd and 3rd in Cedarburg. 3rd Annual Wheelchair Bowling Tournament, April 16-17 in Random Lake. To register contact Richard Howells at 262-689-8749 or rhhowells@wi.rr.com

Ozaukee County Aging & Disability Resource Center needs volunteers to deliver noontime meals. Contact Mary Ferrell, Manager, at 262-238-8120.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Thank You from Tom Stanton for our partnership with Mel's Pig Roast and making "The Legion Jam" on March 6 a success. Your support and friendship at our 1st experience together is much appreciated.

Thank You from Family Sharing and Amy Luft for our volunteers at the Chili Box Fundraiser. Over \$3,500 was raised to help feed families of Ozau-kee County.

Thank You from Harold Walsh for the fruit basket during a pretty rough time for him.

Butch Paegelow graciously thanked all who participated in the most lucrative Vegas Night since its inception some 32 years ago. The evening posted an all-time high with a net profit of \$12,435. Well Done!

A special THANK YOU goes out to the people behind the scenes who helped gather prizes for hourly raffles, worked setting up and tearing down tables, worked the gaming tables and sold raffle tickets, bartended, and did whatever jobs needed to be done.

Many thanks to Rose Harms Ladies Auxiliary and Sons of the American Legion for all their help with the evenings activities.

The high roller award was presented to Mike Bublitz.

Joe Ciardo was the big winner of the 50/50 drawing and took home \$1037.

Winners for the raffles were as follows: \$500 winner was Rick Rathke. \$200 winner was Jan Bernschein. \$100 winners were James Lee and Grace Eernisse. A \$100 winner was also Rick Rathke, who donated

his winnings back to the post in memory of former post member Leroy Paulin. Thank you Rick.

\$50 winners were Martin Karrels, Sherry Wenninger, Megan Summers and Joe Walsh. Congratulations to all the winners. Hope to see you all next year.

**Bingo: Tom Peterson** reported: Both February and March were good months fielding 100 plus players each.

### Jim Stencel reported that the POW/MIA

Accounting Agency announced the identification of remains and burial dates of six serviceman who had been previously listed as missing in action from WWII and Korea.

**Dick Lallensack** gave a reminder that the Camp's opening week for Ozaukee County was April 18th.

### **Executive Committee Recommendations Passed:**

- For the Post to purchase a new Samsung Printer.
- To install new tile in the lower men's room.
- To donate \$250 to St, Paul's Lutheran School for their 8th grade Washington, D.C. trip.



### **New Business:**

- Doug Arendt introduced the winners of the Post Drawing and Essay Contest. Each winner either displayed or read their entry.
- June Shock spoke to the membership about the Post's annual Poppy Sale on May 6th and 7th.
- Amy Luft and her intern, Lance Klemek, representing the Heritage Nursing Home in Port Washington, spoke to the membership about the benefits available to veterans at facilities such as Heritage.
- The Post Auxiliary will host a wine-tasting event on April 23rd at the Post with doors opening at 6:00 pm.
- Lt. Colonel, Mike Gibson, USA with 23 years of service, and presently a professor of Military Science at Marquette University was welcomed aboard.

## **Good of the Legion:**

- There will be a new format for the Memorial Day ceremonies with a focus more on veterans.
- The Military Historians Club invites everyone to their monthly dinner at the Post on Monday, April 18th, to hear Mike Clark speak about his time with the 101st Airborne in Vietnam.
- Beer and soda for the evening where on Claude Taylor, on his retirement and Dave Tice, in celebration of his birthday.

### Calendar Raffle:

\$50 - David Krzoska

\$30 - Aaron Fatla

\$25 - Janice Bould

\$20 -Carolyn Knoppa

\$15 - Scott Wollner

\$10 - Marlene Donahue



## Sons of The American Legion News – March 2016

Treasurer's report by Bill Riedl: Checking account remains in the black. Vegas had lower attendance than last year, but the overall revenue was higher. Need to rethink selling higher priced paddles toward the end when people have run low on their funds and makes selling higher priced paddles difficult.

Membership report by Paul Turowski: We have 72 paid members and only 2 remain who are expected to pay their 2016 dues. Craig was asked about using email and he is looking into a service to avoid sharing email addresses with everyone and eliminate requiring each person who sends emails having to manually keep them up-to-date. Craig will report on this at the April meeting.

Memorial Brick project report by Bill Riedl: 110 bricks sold so far. April 1<sup>st</sup> is the ordering deadline. A motion was made and approved, by all but one, for SAL to offer its services for ongoing maintenance and to handle future orders if the Legion so desired. Further discussion with the Legion about this will be done by our liaison.

Camp American Legion opens April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Dates for SAL volunteers to help with spring work is during the week of April 18 (third week in April). The specific days planned will be announced at the April meeting.

A motion was made and approved unanimously to donate \$300 to the Auxiliary Wine Tasting event.

Memorial Flags: The Legion received a \$250 donation for additional Memorial Day flags. A motion was made and approved unanimously to purchase 50 more flags and dog tags for veterans who passed in 2015 and replacements for those taken off the flags during the 2015 display. Mike Burke will need to order the flags. Mark Gebler will be contacted with the latest list needing tags and confirm he can still do this for Memorial Day. Need to figure out how people can request duplicate tags and how many replacement tags are needed. Discuss more in April.

Contact Ed Summers to order SAL hats, shirts, jackets, etc. @ 262-721-7710 or esummers@yahoo.com

### **Legion Post Meeting Dinner Volunteers:**

Volunteers to obtain and setup food by 7:45pm

April 11 – Bob Rieck

May 9 – Chris and Corey

## **Upcoming Events**

April 12 – SAL Meeting @ 6:30pm April 23 – AUX Wine Tasting Event May 10 – SAL Meeting @ 6:30pm June 4 - Golf



## Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who came and made our Bob Flynn Memorial Chili Cook-off a huge success.

Thank you to John Staton and the Saukville Post members for donating the use of their hall and also the tasty hot dogs and food. Thank you to the bartenders for donating their time and tips. It was greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the Hanson Bakery and all the Riders who donated all the great gifts we raffled off. A special thanks to that wild and crazy auctioneer. Great job!

Reminder; Our next 2nd District Legion Riders meeting will be on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at the Kewaskum Post 384 on 1538 Fond Du Lac Ave.
The meeting will start at 10:00 am.



## Rose-Harms Unit 355 American Legion Auxiliary

## **April 2016**

In the spirit of service, not self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

Thank you to all the members who contributed and assisted with the American Legion Birthday Potluck. We had a great turnout and it was nice to celebrate with our Legion Family. Thank you also to the Legion for a wonderful Legion Birthday/St. Patty's Dinner event.

It's report time! Auxiliary members should calculate their activities (volunteer hours, monetary donations, in -kind donations from 4/1/2015 – 3/31/2015. Please forward this information by April 5th to Cathy Brun-nquell at <a href="mailto:cbrunnquell@wi.rr.com">cbrunnquell@wi.rr.com</a> or call 262-424-7692.

Auxiliary elections for next year's officers will take place at our May meeting. If you are interested in running for a position for our Unit, please contact Diane Riedl at 262-483-8823.

Don't forget to collect your loose change! Help us win the 2<sup>nd</sup> District Penny War challenge for Diane Duscheck's 2017 National President Campaign. Bring your coins to our Auxiliary meeting. The winning District will be announced at Convention!

Post bingo will be on **Tuesday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m.** The Auxiliary will be serving food items and refreshments. Please consider volunteering to assist. Contact Renata Quillen (262-377-0370) to sign-up. This is an on-going fundraiser for the Auxiliary and your assistance is appreciated.

The Ozaukee County Council meeting will be held at the Grafton Post on **Wednesday, April 20.** Refreshments start at 5:30 p.m., dinner served at 6:30 p.m. with a meeting to follow. This is a great opportunity to find out what our County Units are doing to serve our Veterans, our military and our community. Registration is \$1. Attendees are asked to bring one white elephant gift for the silent auction. Please contact Cathy Brunnquell (262-424-7692) if you are interested in attending.

The Auxiliary annual Wine Tasting event will be held at the Post on **Saturday, April 23.** Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 in advance/\$30 at the door. Awesome appetizers and a food will be supplied by Fire Ridge along with an evening filled with Raffles, 50/50 and karaoke! **Volunteers are desperately needed to help make this event a success.** Contact Diane Riedl (262-483-8823) or Ann Fields (262-384-1982) for information.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> District Spring Conference will be hosted by Washington County on **Saturday, April 30** at Cedar Ridge in West Bend. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. with the conference starting at 9:00 a.m. Registration fee is \$2 and lunch is \$12.50. Please contact Cathy Brunnquell (262-424-7692) to sign-up.

Put on your walking shoes! *Sweat4vets,* a Post-to-Post walk from Cedarburg Post to Grafton Post, will be held on **Saturday, May 21**. Pre-registration is \$20 or \$25 the day of the event. Proceeds will go towards the Women's Week at Camp American Legion. See the attached registration form or email <a href="mailto:sweat49ets2016@gmail.com">sweat49ets2016@gmail.com</a> for information. You may also contact Amy Luft (414-651-7300) or Carolyn Schweitzer (920-851-3610) to sign-up. Let's get a big Rose-Harms team together and strut our stuff!

Chaplain, Linda Brown, will again being making an Auxiliary Prayer Book for our Unit. Members are asked to please write one prayer for the book. Please bring two copies of your prayer to the May meeting. Contact Linda Brown at 262-268-8296 with questions.

Marcus Movie tickets, gift cards, and gift certificates are available through the Auxiliary at a discounted price. These items make great gifts for your family and friends! Next order due date is June 23. Contact Laurie Schwalbe at 414-659-6951 for info.

Hometown Heroes is in need of the following items for camp: w

white cotton t-shirts - mix of sizes

rain ponchos

bath and beach towels & washcloths

sleeping bags pillow cases

Please start collecting items now and bring them to our 2<sup>nd</sup> District Spring Conference on **Saturday, April 30**. Contact Sue Turowski at 262-389-4644 for more information.

Stars & Stripes Honor Flight has announced their 2016 flights: April 16, May 14 & June 11. WWII, Korean War, or terminally ill veterans from any era are invited to participate. Contact Amy Luft at 414-651-7300 or email: <a href="mailto:amyjluft@gmail.com">amyjluft@gmail.com</a> for further information. Don't forget to cut coupons and collect box tops for education. Bring them to our monthly meetings.

Make sure to like us on Facebook at our Rose-Harms American Legion Auxiliary page.

## **Upcoming Events**

Post Bingo – April 12
Stars & Stripes Honor Flight – April 16
Ozaukee County Council Meeting – April 20
Auxiliary Wine Tasting – April 23
2<sup>nd</sup> District Spring Conference – April 30



## **Heritage Nursing & Rehabilitation Center,**

located in Port Washington, is a skilled nursing facility which is honored to hold a VA Contract offering the following services to veterans:

- Short-term Rehabilitation (occupational, physical, speech)
- Long-term Skilled Care

Respite (30-days per calendar year may be available)
Veterans enrolled in the VA Healthcare are accepted. Based on the service connection rating, care may be covered 100% by the VA. You do not have to have a service connection disability to qualify for aid or care.

Veterans are welcome to stop in at the facility anytime for a tour or talk with the financial benefits counselor to help determine your qualifications.

To learn more about the services offered at Heritage Nursing & Rehabilitation Center call <u>262-284-5892</u> or email at <u>info@heritageskillednursing.com</u>



A 2.5 Mile Post-to-Post Walk Benefiting Camp American Legion



Saturday, May 21, 2016 10:00am



Legion

LAKE TOMAHAWK, WI

Register by May 20th - \$20 (Receive Event T-Shirt)

Day of Event - \$25

Veterans - Free

Kids 12 & Under - Free

Event Registration Opens at 9:00am
Walk Begins at
Cedarburg American Legion Post &
Ends at Grafton American Legion Post
\*\*\*Shuttle Service Will Be Available\*\*\*

For more information, visit www.sweat4vets2016.com. Registration forms available online & at the Cedarburg & Grafton American Legion Post.

## sweat4vets

## A Post-to-Post Walk Benefiting Camp American Legion

Email: sweat4vets2016@gmail.com



Phone: 920-851-3610

Brought to you by the Cedarburg & Grafton American Legion Auxiliary

#### **Event Details:**

Saturday, May 21st, 2016 (Rain Date: Sunday, May 22nd, 2016) 2.5 Mile Walk

Registration Time: 9:00am Location Start: Cedarburg American Legion Post Official Start Time: 10:00am Ending Location: Grafton American Legion Post

Register by May 20 - \$20 (Receive Event T-shirt)

Day of Event - \$25

Veterans - Free

Kids 12 & Under - Free

#### Proceeds will benefit Camp American Legion.

Camp American Legion located near Big Carr Lake in, Lake
Tomahawk, is a haven for veterans who are seeking
physical, psychological or spiritual healing. This FREE
camp is open to any veteran and active duty member from
all service eras with a physician documented, physical or
psychological illness, injury or disability. There are
specific themed weeks, including a Women Veterans Week.
Camp American Legion is funded and operated on
donations. The estimated cost for one veteran to attend
camp is \$300.

The American Legion Auxiliary is a 501(3)(c) charity and all donations are tax deductible.

Register online at www.sweat4vets2016.com or complete the form below and mail to:

Peter Wollner Post 288

W57 N481 Hilbert Avenue Cedarburg, WI 53012

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