



Rose Harms Legionnaire

April 2018

GHS Choir performing at our last Post meeting



Sunday, April 1st

Wednesday, April 4th

Monday, April 2nd

Thursday, April 5th

Monday, April 9th

Tuesday, April 10th

Monday, April 16th

Saturday, April 21st

Saturday, April 28th



Life Line Screening

Post Executive Committee meeting

Ozaukee County meeting

Post general meeting

BINGO

SAL meeting - lower hall

Military Historians Club

Cards - lower hall - Everyone is welcome

WINE TASTING

RED Pin Bowling



Highlights from our last Post meeting

Chaplain Report: Les Williams reported that 12 Post members have passed this year and will be memorialized on the Post monument in Veteran's Park.

Sergeant-at-Arms: Mike Knoppa said that there are a number of good 3' x 5' US Flags that were turned in and are available for the taking.

Americanism: Bill Clayton reported that the Post's Badger Boys will attend the July meeting to speak about their experiences at Badger Boys State held at Ripon College this summer.

Vegas Night: Butch Paegelow said that we had a banner year for the 34th annual Vegas Night. We had a gross income of \$16,342, with expenses totaling \$3,497, resulting in a profit of \$12,845. Butch graciously thanked all who helped make this year's event such a success.

BINGO Chairman Jim Arentz said help is always welcomed at Bingo Night, just show up at the Post around 6:00 pm ... help is vital.

Good of the Legion:

Jim Stencil informed members that he had been chosen for the April 14th Honor Flight.

Chairperson Sandra Krzewinski presented the Public Safety Awards at our Post's American Legion Birthday Dinner.



EMT: Derek Deps,
Firefighter: Capt. Bobby Kaslick,
Law Enforcement: Richard Aamudt,
Post Commander Ken and Sandra

Unfinished Business:

- The Ozaukee County Legion Food Drive for Family Sharing runs until the end of March.
- Camp American Legion: Dick Lallensack reported Camp is busy with numerous projects both completed and in process. Also reminder that Camp opening is the week of April 23rd.

New Business:

- Red's 9 Pin Tap Bowling Tournament is at Circle "B" on April 28th. Red's donates the tournament proceeds back to our Post, so it's important that we participate.
- April 28th will also be the 2nd District Spring Conference to be held at the West Bend
- Post Recommendation that was passed was to donate \$500 to Camp Hometown Heroes.

Commander Ken read the following:

- A thank you letter from Amy Luft for the use of the Post for the Legion Jam event that raised \$2,819 for the Stars & Stripes Honor Flight.
- A thank you letter from Jim Hall's wife and a check for \$150 in appreciation for the military honors afforded by the Post at his funeral.

Meet our newest Post member,

Joseph Emmons Smith was an Ensign with the U.S. Navy, 9th Naval District. He served aboard the USS PCE ® 850 and specialized in diesel engineering. Joe entered into the service on June 26, 1944. He remembers being in the Tokyo Harbor at the signing of the Japanese surrender and later watching U.S. ships sailing out of the harbor flying "Homeward Bound" banners made out of sheets.

Joe was released into inactive duty on October 7, 1945, and settled in Milwaukee, where he met and married Dorothy Strohm. They moved to Grafton in 1953, where he worked for the EST Company.

He was a Lieutenant with the US Naval Reserve until being discharged in 1954. Joe and Dorothy raised 5 daughters who all attended Grafton Schools.

John made contributions to the community by serving on the Grafton School Board, the Grafton Sewer and Water Commission and Treasurer for St. Paul Lutheran Church. Joe will turn 99 years old this December.

Welcome Aboard!

The Annual Daniel Nielsen “RED” Pin Memorial Tournament

Saturday April 28th @ 1:00 PM is the 4th Annual “RED” Pin Memorial Tournament.

This 9 Pin No Tap tournament is \$25 per person and portion of the proceeds raised will go to benefit The American Legion – Rose Harms Post 355 in Grafton.

Entry Fee is \$25 Per Person

(Sign up as a team (up to 7 bowlers) or individual)

Top 3 Series paid Cash, \$20 Cash paid for 300 Games.

Every Paid entry also gets a ticket towards Door Prizes, and additional tickets are awarded for RED Headpin Strikes.

Email mhirst019@gmail.com or call Circle “B” at 262-377-8090 to sign up –
Hurry, Space is limited.



**No, that's not
Frank Sinatra,
It's our Larry !**

Calendar Raffle:

\$50 – Holly Sutinen

\$30 – Deanne Lederer

\$25 – Cindy Roy

\$20 – Erin Jozowski

\$15 – June Shock

\$10 – Sue Matthaeus

April SAL News

Our March 12th meeting was well attended. Two members of the Conley Publishing Group joined us at the beginning to get a photograph and information about our Squad's \$1,000 donation to Healing Patriots. Founder's Brent Kozak and Ed "LT" Garza were there to accept the check. Healing Patriots gives injured Veterans and First Responders outdoor therapy expeditions to help kick-start a positive and healthy lifestyle. The outings are either five days in the US or seven days in Canada.

www.healingpatriots.org



Membership: SAL Membership has reached 92 members. The twelve who have not paid your 2018 dues should contact Paul Turowski @ 262-389-4645.

Camp American Legion: For anyone who is interested in helping with spring cleanup at camp, our Post has been assigned the week of April 23. Typically, our SAL members travel to camp on Thursday and return on Sunday. There is plenty of work to do. Feel free to help even if you can only do different dates during the assigned week. We have been assured that everyone will be welcome to visit the camp during this week. Larry Repinski is collecting names of those planning to attend. He needs your name, phone number, date of arrival, and date of departure. The information can either be emailed (larry.repinski@att.net) or handed to Larry at our next SAL meeting on April 10th. The camp is requiring Larry to submit everyone's name prior to arrival. campamericanlegion.org

Note: The fund raiser planned for cabin 22 will be held at Friends on Forest Home bar on May 5th. More info on this will be provided at the April 10th meeting. friendsonforesthomes.com

Post Fundraiser: The Post's Reds 9pin Bowling tournament is scheduled for April 28th at Circle B. This is a Post fundraiser and all Legion family members are encouraged to arrange teams and join the fun. If you get a team organized, go to Circle B and talk to Mark to sign up.

Memorial Day Flags: We were unable to evaluate the flags and tags inventory without a current list. SAL members will be contacted to arrange a day for completing the inventory once a list is obtained.

Camp Hometown Heroes: The squad motioned and approved a \$500 donation to CHH. Paul Turowski will be SAL's representative. The 8th annual Grand Slam Charity Jam set for March 17th and will benefit Camp Hometown Heroes and programs for kids facing trauma from losing a family member while in the military.

SAL Clothing: Contact Brian Hadler @ 262-894-7465.

Next Meeting: 4/10@ 6:30pm

Legion Post Meeting Dinner Volunteers: Volunteers to serve at 7:45pm

Apr 10 – Kim

May 15 – Corey and Jim

A Wine Tasting event is being planned for April 21st at the Post. Cost is \$25 a person. There will be a Karaoke party after!



SAL Golf Outing:

This year's golf outing is scheduled on June 2 at Fire Ridge. Six people are needed to help with the hole sponsors.

Contact Bob or Dick if you can assist.



Cathy' Thoughts



I want to make sure all of our members are aware that April 21st is our Wine Tasting Event. The ladies on this committee have been working hard on organizing and planning the fundraiser for Guitars 4 Vets.

As we all know, Veterans are suffering from PTSD Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. The healing power of music helps soldiers cope. The lessons and guitars are provided to the veterans free of charge. Once they finish the program they can keep the guitar. The cost for each Veteran in the program is \$200.

Our Auxiliary members can help this awesome program by attending and supporting this event. There will be entertainment from some of the veterans with this program.

It is a great time and open to the public. Good food, Good time & Good spirits! We are trying to get the word around the community so please consider attending and help support another great service for our Veterans in need. In this Newsletter there is a flyer with more details.

A Big Thank You !



The order went in March 26th and our Auxiliary made a profit of a little over \$100. As always, we appreciate all the work Laurie Schwalbe does to put these orders together. ****Reminder**** the next order date is June 25, 2018.

Contact us if you need an order form or we will have them at our Unit meetings.



I wish you and your family a Blessed Easter and enjoy the new spring season!

UNIT MEETING was held March 12, 2018

Member of the Year was announced as Mary Molaski. Mary continues to be very active and uplifting volunteering for most events. Congratulations Mary – You sure follow the moto- For service to others not self!

Legion Birthday Dinner Dance was well attended.

Unit reports are due by the end of the month (March). Please contact Mary Molaski with hours.

Ozaukee County Council Meeting is April 18th. Mary Arvi is collecting items for a Beach Basket or monetary donations.

4th Annual Wine Tasting - Saturday April 21st 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm. Short presentation from Guitars 4Vets. Proceeds from event will be donated to Guitars 4 Vets. Karaoke to follow by Famous Al! Tickets \$25.00 advance/ \$30.00 at the door Grapes to Taste will be providing a wide variety of Wine for your tasting. Please join us!! Anyone still wishing to volunteer or make a donation please contact Ann Fields 262-384-1982 or Diane Riedl 262-483-8823.

Membership Tammy Hadler reported we have 180 members paid to date/ 25 not paid. Please turn in your membership renewals. Please get your renewals in if you haven't already done so!

VA&R Mel Nowak announced Badger State Girls Delegates are: Olivia Konzen, Jillian Herlinger & Payton Riddle. Alternates: Laura Stockhausen & Ashlynn Micoliczyk.

Poppy Princess's for 2018-2019 Addison Paape, Khiah King, and Rylee Turowski

Kelly and Jean Rieck will serve as chairs for the Election Committee. If anyone is interested in running for a position please contact one of them



MICROWAVE POPCORN FOR THE SOLDIERS



Member Patty Wollners nephew is deployed and serving overseas in the Air Force. Please bring Micro wave popcorn to our meeting on April 17, to be sent over to his unit. Thanks in advance!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Honor Flight Dates	4/14, 5/5, 6/2	
Oz. Council Spring Meeting	April 18	Belgium Post 5:30 social hr., 6:00 dinner
District Meeting	April 28 th	Horicon Post
Wine Tasting Saturday	April 21 st	Doors open 6pm
Daniel Nielson Red Pin Tap	April 28	Circle B bowling begins 1pm \$25.00
Oz County Membership Tea	May 6 th	2:00-4:00
Department Convention	July 12-15	Oshkosh

Next Meeting: April 17th Social at 6pm/ meeting begins at 6:30.

American Legion Auxiliary Post 355 Presents



Wine Tasting

**Saturday, April 21st
at 6:00 pm**

Tickets are \$25 in advance



Proceeds going towards Veteran programs such as



**Rose Harms Post 355
1540 13th Ave.
Grafton, WI 53024
262-377-8887**



The Milwaukee County Zoo invites you to

Military/Veterans Family Day

Enjoy free Zoo admission and parking
Sunday, July 1, 2018 ★ 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Milwaukee County Zoo
10001 W. Bluemound Road
Milwaukee, WI 53226



- ★ Don't miss the Veterans Benefit Expo at the U.S. Bank Gathering Place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a one-stop-shop where veterans can learn about getting the benefits they deserve. Sponsored by the Milwaukee County Veterans Service Office.
- ★ Admission tickets will be available from May 29 to June 29. Active military and veterans residing in Wisconsin can pick up tickets at their local County Veterans Service Office (CVSO). Contact your local CVSO for details on ticket pick up.
- ★ Tickets are required for entry and will be available for immediate family only, with a limit of 10 tickets per family.