



Rose Harms Legionnaire

June 2021



Remember -
our fallen heros.
They are the reason
that we are free.

Memorial Day Parade

All Legion, Auxiliary and Sons of the American Legion members are invited to participate.

Assemble at 10:30 am at Post.

The March to Veteran's Park will start at 10:45 am.

There will be just a short ceremony at the Park at 11:00 am.

The Post will not have an open house this year.



Friday, May 28th	Dedication of the renovations of the Ozaukee County Veterans Memorial at the Justice Center—5:30 pm
Saturday, June 5th	SAL Golf Outing at Fire Ridge starting at 9:00 am
Monday, June 7th	Post Executive Committee meeting at 7:00 pm
Tuesday, June 8th	SAL meeting at 6:30 pm - Lower Hall
Monday, June 14th	Post General meeting at 7:00 pm
Friday, June 25th	Ozaukee County, Post Officers Installation at Saukville Post

Highlights from Our Last Post Meeting

Guests. Representatives from Village Pointe Commons. Kathy Russell, Independent Living Manager and Carolyn Gluekert, Community Relations Manager. They announced the return of Veteran Coffee Hours at their facility every third Tuesday of each month at 10am. Start date May 18. Attend for comradery and friendship with fellow veterans.

Auxiliary. Cathy Brunnquell, and Lora Linder let members know that volunteers are still needed for their Poppy Sale, on Memorial Day weekend. Signup sheet with the various locations was distributed.



New Member Jim Sorenson was introduced. He highlighted his military service and Legion membership at a Michigan Post.

Chaplain Ken Kasprzak. Names of outstanding 8th Grade students have been received from the school Principals. The awards will be delivered to the schools by end of month.

Athletic chairman, Doug Arendt, said he would have more information on our annual September Post Golf Outing at our next meeting.

Support SAL Golf, June 5 by registering a team.

Legion Baseball Coordinator, Dan Harris, sent a thank you to SAL for payment of Junior Team insurance. Ten games are scheduled to be played by both the Senior and Junior teams. First game will be on June 24 at Cedarburg. More information on dates for all games will be coming soon.

Ralph Beck announced that an American Flag has been donated and now hangs at JLMS baseball field.

Executive Board Recommendations.

Motion was made and approved to donate \$250 for a hole sponsor for Veterans Foundation golf outing at Bog on August 29. The event is a fundraiser to help Veterans suffering with mental problems.

Old and New Business.

1. There was no charge for winter snow plowing by Jimmy Proefrock. However, a motion was approved to issue check to him in amount of \$200.

2. Election of Officers was moderated by Steve Shock. Nominees were taken from the floor and after all nominations were made an unanimous ballot was cast as follows:

Commander---Ken Kasprzak;

1st Vice---Gary Gilstrap;

2nd Vice---Sandra Krzewinski;

Finance---Ralph Beck;

Historian---Al Richards;

Chaplain---Claude Taylor;

Service Officer---Ken Klein;

Sgt at Arms---Mike Knoppa and Nick Schanen;

Three Year Committee Person---Steve Shock.

Good of Legion.

Military Historian Meetings are hoping to start up again in September.

After meeting drinks were provided by Doug Arendt and John Faas to celebrate their Birthdays.

A thank you to SAL for supplying the sandwiches and dessert during our social gathering.

Officer Installation Dinner for all County Posts is scheduled for Friday, June 25, at the Saukville Post. Social hour starting at 5:00 pm. See Ralph to sign up. Registration \$20 per person paid for by our Post.

This Months Calendar Raffle Winners

Robert Wrecza \$50

Debbie Johnson \$30

Sue Blazich \$25

James Schmidt \$20

John Faas \$15

Kathy Grabow \$10.

**Don't forget to send in your
Calendar Raffle Tickets for the
2021-2022 monthly drawings**



CHAPLAINS CORNER-----KEN KASPRZAK

At our May Post meeting, I was elected as your Commander and will assume my duties effective June 25. You can be assured that I will devote the energy, time, and commitment needed to represent our Post in the community.

On May 24, American Flags were placed at the grave stones of all military Veterans who served our country. Thank you to Jim

Arentz and Mike Knoppa for leading this project, and a job well done. Pictured are Flags placed at St. Joseph Cemetery.

On Memorial Day, Post members and families marched to Veterans Park for a short ceremony to remember and honor the men and women who have served our country. As Americans, we are forever grateful to our fallen heroes. These service members possessed courage, pride, determination, dedication to duty, and integrity. Let's give thanks and remember the sacrifices they made so that we can live in freedom.

For 2021, the names of American Legion, Rose Harms Post 355 members are as follows:

Keith Goodspeed, US Air Force; William Greene, US Army, Korea; James Herian, US Army WWII; Richard Langlois, US Marine Corps, Vietnam; John Peterson, US Marine Corps, Korea; Francis Scheer, US Navy, Vietnam; Elroy Tiegs, US Marine Corps, Korea; Robert VanDyck, US Marine Corps, peacetime prior to Korea; Art Viesselmann, US Marine Corps, Korea. Honor Guard will perform a rifle salute and taps will be played.

Living Well----Reduce Risk of COPD. Note that 16 million Americans are diagnosed with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease or Emphysema. Others experience difficulty breathing but are unaware they have the disease. Once lung tissue is damaged (from smoking or inhaling air pollutants) it can't be repaired. Advice, quit smoking and get regular exercise. For info, visit American Lung Association website at www.lung.org. Print Date 05-20-2021.



As the Post starts getting back to "normal" operation, we invite all members to stop in and have a cup of coffee in the Post's lower hall. Members usually stop in beginning at 9:00 am. Sometimes we even have donuts!

Recently, Grafton's Chief of Police stopped by to discuss his plans for getting a k-9 unit for the Village. We also talked about doing a "Coffee with a Cop" periodically. If interested, contact Al.



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Membership: SAL Membership is now at 81 members with 2 who have not paid their dues. Contact Paul Turowski @ 262-389-4645.

SAL Clothing: Brian indicated that Smitty can get the desired blue short sleeve shirts for \$27. Brian will follow-up on a possible order. Contact Brian Hadler @ 262-894-7465 if you need any clothing.

Camp American Legion: Bill Vorac, Rose-Harms new Camp liaison gave a presentation with updates about the new cabin and the dire needs facing the camp after being closed for over a year. The American Legion Family Cabin's ribbon cutting, and dedication is scheduled for May 23, 2021. Any SAL member wanting to participate should arrive at 11am. Anyone participating should wear their SAL shirt and hat. SAL members will be going up on May 14 for maintenance work over the weekend.

Post Shed Replacement: Purchase of a new shed is being considered which will be much less work.

SAL Golf Outing: Planned for June 5, 2021 with a 9am morning start.

Available will be a Bloody Mary bar, raffles and breakfast.

Banners and signup sheets are being distributed. Anyone wanting a banner should contact Dick.



Memorial Day: Memorial Day remembrance will be conducted by the Post Family members only. Small procession to Veteran's Park. No speeches or park activity is planned.

SAL members needed to install Flags and Dog Tags on Thursday, May 27th starting at 3:30pm.

Post Family Picnic: The Post family picnic is still planned for August 9th. Only Legion Family members will be allowed to participate.

Legion Riders Auction: District 2 Legion Riders are having an online auction. SAL members voted to donate \$100 towards the fundraiser.

SAL Squad Leadership Nominations: Voting will take place at the June meeting.

Commander – Corey E., Al R., and Dick R

Vice Commander – Bill R.

2nd Vice Membership – Paul T.

Sargent at Arms – Ken K.

Adjutant - Open

Treasurer – Chris W.

Chaplin - Burke

Legion Post Meeting Dinner: Volunteers planning to serve dinner that starts at 7:45pm

June 14 – Gary and Neil

Next SAL Meeting: 6/8/21 @ 6:30pm

Post Family Picnic: August 9th



American Legion Auxiliary Rose-Harms Unit 355 June 021 Newsletter

As we write this newsletter, Memorial Day has not yet taken place nor has our Poppy Distribution, scheduled for that weekend. We'll thank in advance, all those who gave of their time to help distribute poppies and those who wore a poppy, in remembrance of those Veterans who have passed away.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW UNIT OFFICERS! The following were elected by voice acclamation at the May 17th meeting and will serve for the term of 2021-22.

President: Mary Molaski

1st Vice President: Mary Arvai

2nd Vice President/Membership Chairman: Lora Linder

Treasurer: Patty Wollner

Chaplain: Judy Wendtlandt Historian: Linda Mayer

The following were named to appointed positions at this meeting:

Sgt-at-Arms: Carolyn Knoppa

Asst Sgt-at-Arms: Maria Keegan

Parliamentarian: Judy Kuta

Secretary: Sue Turowski

Exec Bd Appointees: Janice Bould and Pam Klenner

A special Thank-you to Pam Klenner for her work as the Nominating Committee Chair...not an easy job!

Our regular Unit meeting on May 17th was preceded by an award ceremony in honor of the following business and other organizations from the Community who had been of special help to our Unit this year. CKC - Kurt Kwiatkowski, DDS - Girl Scout Troop 8039 - NSeven Coffee - Pilgrim United Church of Christ - St. Joe's Pray Shawl Ladies - Al Richards - Steve Shock - Bill Vorac - Marty Wegner - Rose Harms SAL - Corey Esselmann & Paul Turowski

Following some social time, each individual or group was presented with a certificate of appreciation and an Auxiliary coin by President Sue Turowski.

The Unit meeting followed at 7 PM. One of the things acted upon at this meeting was an Exec Bd recommendation that we support the Grafton American Legion Baseball teams, that we donate \$500, and that we participate in the concession stand. After discussion, a motion was made to approve and was passed by those present.

Our Yard Sign Fundraiser is doing well. Amy Luft reported 97 signs and 8 posters have been sold to date and these will be delivered before Memorial Day. Thanks to all who purchased and will display these signs throughout the Community. There's still time to order, as the sale will again be offered sometime in June until September 15th, so that delivery can be made in time for Veterans Day. Watch next month's newsletter for a new order form.

Our Auxiliary has an opportunity to march in the Flag Day Parade with the rest of the Ozaukee Co Auxiliary on Sunday June 13, in Waubeka at 11:00 am for line up. The actual parade starts at 1:30.

The Membership Team continues to work hard. We now stand at 93% with 169 paid, just 11 members short of being 100%. If you haven't yet paid your 2021 dues, PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. Thanks.

Please support our upcoming BRAT FRY FUNDRAISER at Sendik's on Saturday June 5th from 11 am to 3 pm.

Remember to reserve your spot for our JUNE BANQUET on Tuesday June 15th at Bunkers. Social time begins at 5:30, dinner follows at 6:15 pm. Menu choices are as follows:

- 1) Parmesan Chicken with Noodles for \$18
- 2) Broasted Chicken with baked potato or french fries for \$18
- 3) Steak Sandwich with baked potato or french fries for \$18
- 4) Chef Salad with roll is available for \$13.

Reservations are due by TUESDAY JUNE 8TH. Contact Ann at aannfields@yahoo.com or phone her at 262-384-1982 to sign-up or for any questions. There will be a cash bar. You pay your server that night. Come join us for this fun event.

PLEASE NOTE: IF YOU MAKE A RESERVATION AND CANNOT MAKE IT, PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL ANN, OR YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR BILL.

Department Convention will be held on July 15-18 in Middleton. As there was no Convention last year due to Covid, our 100th Anniversary will be celebrated at this one. Registration forms with details are available from Sue for anyone interested in attending. Do this soon, as you'll want to make your hotel reservations.

Sue announced the Legion plans to hold their annual Corn Roast (to which we're invited) on Monday August 9th. Auxiliary members are welcome to bring salads and desserts if they wish. Watch for further details. Unlike past years, our Unit will NOT meet in August, but rather our next Unit meeting will be on Tuesday September 17th, at 6:30 in the lower hall.

Our Unit has accomplished many things this past year and I am super proud of each and every one of you who participated in making us a Unit that stands out in both our Community and within the American Legion as a whole. I would like to take this opportunity to just point out a few of our accomplishments;

Members made dementia quilts: Dementia quilts are also known as Fidget blankets. It is a quilt that has several different objects on it that stimulate dementia individuals with activities and sensory items to encourage mental and physical activity. They may also help reduce emotional escalation and boredom.

As a unit we donated over 900 hours, spent approximately \$22,049.00, served approximately 477 Veterans and their families and received around \$7,400.00 in in-kind donations. And this is just a small summery of what our Auxiliary has accomplished during the worst pandemic most of us have seen during our life time!

We tried to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the American Legion Auxiliary in the community with a party and when that couldn't happen we found other ways to let our community know who we are and what we do! Our Rose-Harms Unit also hit a milestone during the pandemic as we too turned 75. Well we're 76 now and like many others we missed that milestone with a party, but as I mentioned above we have lots to be proud of.

I want to offer special recognition to my good friend Arline Kaul. Her parents were both charter members of our Rose-Harms American Legion Family. Arline once told me that she was young when her parents helped start Rose-Harms and didn't join right away like all young gals at the time! She did however join the following year and Arline has been a member of our Auxiliary for 75 years!!! Thank you Arline for being someone that I have counted on many times over the past years as a mentor!

I must say that these last 2 years have been a real wild ride for both myself and our Auxiliary! We were met with some real adversities that as a whole, we overcame! I am a better person today because of all of you and I am really looking forward to what our new leadership has instore for all of us. Thank you from the middle of my heart! Sue

Upcoming Events:

Friday May 28 - Ceremony at the Ozaukee County Veterans Memorial in Port 5:00 pm,

Monday May 31 – Memorial Day

Tuesday June 1 – Exec Bd Mtg – downstairs at Post, 6:30 pm

Saturday June 5 – Brat Fry Fundraiser at Sendik's 11 am to 3 pm

Saturday June 5 – S A L Golf Outing

Tuesday June 15 – Spring Banquet – Bunkers – Social time 5:30, Dinner 6:00 pm

Friday June 25 - County Installation Dinner at the Saukville Post

Monday August 9 – Legion Corn Roast

Saturday October 2 - The 4 Chaplains Dinner at the Saukville Post

Thurs-Fri-Sat-Sun – July 15-18 - Department Convention –Middleton

Tuesday September 17 – Next scheduled Unit meeting, 6:30 pm

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!

Submitted by Sue Turowski, President and Linda Faas, Secretary

Ozaukee County War Memorial Program and Rededication

Friday May 28, 2021 at 5pm

1201 S. Spring Street, Port Washington

Extensive renovations were completed in 2019 which involved removing the deteriorating brick perimeter and concrete. The Memorial was redone in granite and the concrete was replaced. When the original War Memorial was built in 1991, three soldiers from Ozaukee County were not included on the original granite monuments and one airman's name was not accurate when engraved. The following corrections were made:



WWI

Private Joseph B. Notting of Port Washington fought with the 32nd Division and was killed in action at Chateau Thierry in France on July 31, 1918. He is buried in St. Mary's Cemetery in Port Washington.

Private Jacob Risch of Belgium served with the 4th Infantry Division in France and died on October 25, 1918 of wounds received in battle in the Argonne two weeks before. He is buried in St. Mary's Cemetery in Lake Church.

WWII

Sergeant Frank Roeckl of Saukville was killed in action near Mount Kammerer, Italy on December 6, 1943 while fighting with the 40th Infantry Division in a push toward Monte Cassino. His remains were never found and he is memorialized on the Tablets of the Missing in the Sicily-Rome American Cemetery at Nettuno, Italy. His niece Marilyn Meyer and his nephew Jerome Roeckl are planning on attending the ceremony.

The name of **First Lieutenant Paul G. Wiening** was not properly engraved on the original monument. Lieutenant Wiening was the co-pilot of a C-47 carrying paratroopers from the 82nd Airborne into Holland during Operation Market Garden on September 17, 1944. He was shot down and died near the border of Holland and Germany. His remains are interred in the Netherlands American Cemetery at Margraten. His granddaughter Toni Krick is planning on attending the ceremony. Lieutenant Wiening's wife was pregnant with Toni's father when he gave his life for his country.

Please join the Ozaukee County Council American Legion, Ozaukee County American Legion Auxiliary, and Veterans of Foreign Wars as we honor the fallen at the Ozaukee County War Memorial on Friday May 28th at 5pm.

Thank you,

Jim Johnson,

Vice Commander 2nd District,

Department of Wisconsin, The American Legion