



Rose Harms Legionnaire

May 2022



And I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free.

And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me - Lee Greenwood

Monday, May 2nd

Post Executive Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 5th

Ozaukee County Meeting at Saukville

Monday, May 9th

Post General Meeting

Tuesday, May 10th

BINGO

Tuesday, May 10th

Sons of the American Legion meeting

Monday, May 16th

Military Historians Club at our Post

Monday, May 16th

Post Card Club

Monday, May 30th



Highlights from our last Post meeting

Chaplain Claude Taylor passed out sheets of paper for the members to list the names of individuals who they feel are in need of the chaplain's services.

Since our last Post meeting, sadly Post member, Dan Harris has passed away.

Membership Gary Gilstrap:

The Post's membership at 272.

New member, Adrik Esselmann welcomed aboard. Phyllis Wiggins, a transfer member by way of Shorewood through Mequon to Grafton spoke to the membership regarding her U.S. Army experiences.

Americanism: Ken Kasprzak/Bill Clayton reported that all 3 Badger Boys State representatives from GHS have registered for the event.

Ken spoke to GHS Coach Brian Durst and there will be an American Legion Baseball senior team all ready to go at the start of the season.

Camp American Legion: Bill Vorac delivered a commentary on how the Camp cabins have suffered from years of a lack of sponsorship participation. As a result the needed overhaul of the cabin sponsorship agreement has been accomplished. Camp opening is scheduled for May 9th through the 16th.

Unfinished Business:

The K-Komfort Cares Contest has been completed and the Post finished 2nd in the voting—winning \$300.

Ken had our sign vendor create a sign for the Sweat for Vets event. He reiterated how accommodating our vendor has been when updating messages for various Post happenings.

Recommendations Passed

- To donate \$250 to the John Long Middle School trip to Washington D.C. with funds to come from Bingo Account.
- To donate \$250 to the Woodview Elementary School for their Outdoor Amphitheater with funds to come from the Bingo Account.

New Business:

Chris Wegner presented the Post with a \$500 donation from "The Buckskin Bowman Club".

Steve Shock reminded membership about the Post elections to be held at our May meeting.

Good of the Legion:

We will need a replacement for Dan Harris who oversees our Post AL Baseball Team.

We are planning to redo the parking area in front of the Post between May 31 and June 10th, Tim Murphy wishes to help us with its cost.

Sandra Krzewinski the 50/50 winner at our Las Vegas Night 2022, will fund the refreshments following the meeting this evening.

Thank You from Butch

Special thanks goes out to all the Rose Harms Legion family that made our Post's 38th annual Las Vegas Night a huge success.

To those behind the scenes who help sort, stuff and staple tickets for raffles, to those going out collecting all the raffle prizes a huge thank you.

To those helping that night selling tickets for raffles, calling raffle ticket numbers, working silent auction, and to those dealing and working that gaming tables again thank you. The evening would not have been this successful without your help.

Special thanks to the Auxiliary and SAL for all their help that evening making this a successful evening for the post.

2022 Sweepstakes Winners Were:

\$500 Debbie Schutte

\$200 Bill Riedl

\$50 Ed Lamb

\$100 Randall Martin

\$50 Tom Salvaggio

\$100 Julie Ciardo

\$50 Tom Rosandich

\$100 Carrie Cooke

\$50 Carolyn Knoppa

COMMANDERS CORNER-KEN KASPRZAK



Yes, I'm ready for bicycle riding this year. Picture is with my new Electric Bike that was a recent purchase. It appears I'll be flying up most hills riding this Trek Road bike. My passion for exercise flashes again.

Camp American Legion. A great program that supports veterans and their families. Annually Wisconsin Veterans come together in a safe and comfortable environment. Camp Mission Statement; Helping to Heal those who have served through Wisconsin's north woods experience. I encourage all Legion Family members to volunteer their time at the 2022 Camp Spring Opening. Week of May 9th, Monday or Week of May 16, Monday. Do your part and give a helping hand to Camp American Legion. Contact Bill Vorac if you can join Bill and members Jim Arentz, John Meyer, Tom Grabow, Butch Paegelow. Phone Bill at 262-689-9416. Email wwwvorac@gmail.com

Thank you to Brian Durst, Grafton High School Baseball Coach, for organizing and recruiting players to a Legion Senior Team for upcoming season. More info to follow on the summer schedule of games. Registration has been completed by Al Richards.

Thank You to K-Komfort for \$300 donation to Grafton Post 355 Legion Baseball Team. Money will be used towards making this baseball season a success.

Membership Renewal. If you are an unpaid member, let's help the American Legion in their mission and renew for year ending June 30, 2022.

Reminder----Legion Apparel is now distributed via Silk Screen Specialists. An order form is available for jackets and polo shirts. Note that other clothing items and sewing requests are available. Questions Call Sarah at 262-377-5889.

Upcoming Events;

- a. Join the fun and plan to register and participate in Sweat4Vets 2.5mile walk on May 21. Money raised to be donated to the Milwaukee VA Suicide Prevention Task Force. Start is Cedarburg Post and ends at our Post.
- b. VFW Flag Day Celebration to be held on Sunday, June 12. Place, Americanism Center Waubeka with parade start at 1:30pm.

Living Well----Go Nuts for Health. Rather than snacking on chips, try cashews and other nuts. Eating just 2 ounces of nuts daily can lower levels of cholesterol (LDL) by up to 5%. Also, could reduce your risk of cardiovascular disease.

This Months Post Calendar Raffle Winners Were:

\$50 - Rebecca Mitchell
\$30 - David Viesselmann
\$25 - Jason Fass
\$20 - Kurt Sutinen
\$15 - Gary Lallensack
\$10 - John Meyer

Poppy season is coming soon.

May 27th & 28th.

**Our Poppy Committee will be coming to your
May Meeting to ask for your help.**



*"It is foolish and wrong to mourn the men who died.
Rather we should thank God such men lived." -
George S. Patton*



A big "Thank You" to Sue Turowski, Claudia Frank and Neal Schuette for bartending for the Post's 2022 Las Vegas Night. Four hours is a long time to be on your feet serving our guests beverages with a smile. I sincerely appreciate all their hard work. Even with a hour of giving free beer away, the bar still did over \$2,000 in sales. Great job!

Al

Sons of the American Legion



News May, 2022

Membership: As of the April meeting, it was reported that we currently have 80 members, of which 77 have paid their dues. The remaining three members have been contacted via "snail mail". Kudos to Paul for all his hard work in collecting the dues from everyone. Questions regarding membership should be directed to Paul Turowski @ 262-389-4645.

SAL Clothing: Silk Screen Specialists in Grafton is the place to go for all of our SAL clothing. Their address is 1231 11th Ave. Brian has order forms which you can fill out and drop off at Silk Screen. The order form was also emailed to all SAL members on January 29th. We also now have the option of buying a long sleeve shirt with the SAL logo. Great for the colder months! Questions regarding clothing should be directed to Brian Hadler @ 262-894-7465.

Camp American Legion: We listened to a presentation by Bill Vorac regarding our responsibilities as a cabin sponsor. A couple of the key takeaways from the presentation were that we will now be responsible to pay for the property insurance on our cabin and background checks will now be required for all camp volunteers. Camp clean-up week is May 9th - 16th. If you're interested in helping with the spring clean-up, please contact Corey. If you plan to volunteer at the camp, please email Dan McKelvey at dmckelvey2038@gmail.com and the necessary forms can be emailed to you.

Vegas Night: The Legion's Vegas Night was held on April 2nd. We raised \$2,239 from our "paddle wheel" drawings the night of the event. It was a very successful event for the Legion.

Sweat4Vets: The walk is scheduled for Saturday, May 21st. This year's walk starts at the Cedarburg Legion and ends at the Grafton Legion so all the food will be cooked at our legion post. Our membership voted to donate \$300 towards the food. Go to www.sweat4vetswi.com for more information and to register.

SAL golf outing:

Scheduled for **June 11th at Fire Ridge golf course**. Registration is at 8am with a 9am shotgun start. More details to follow.

Legion Post meeting dinner: Volunteers are needed to serve the Post meeting dinner on the 2nd Monday of each month. Meetings start at 7:00pm and dinner is at about 7:45pm.

May - Jimmy & Dave

June - open

July - Gary

Do you have something that you want in the next SAL newsletter?

Contact Dan McKelvey at dmckelvey2038@gmail.com

Next SAL Meeting: 5/10/2022 @ 6:30pm





**American Legion Auxiliary Rose-Harms Unit 355
May 2022 Newsletter**



Piece of advice:

Do NOT say "Happy Memorial Day", there is nothing happy about the memory of losing the life of a family member or friend due to the affects of war.

The Auxiliary would like to Thank Craig Butler for updating our page on the Legion website! The Auxiliary would like to Thank Everyone who donated and participated in Las Vegas Night!



Strikes and Spares

The State WALASBA Tournament is Over! Rose-Harms Unit 355 had 2 winning teams this year!

Congratulations to the "Rose Harms Team" which took 3rd place and "Strikes & Spares" which took 6th place.

Both teams won money!!!!

Next year the tournament will be held on one weekend only April 15 & 16, 2023 in Madison, Wisconsin.



Rose Harms Team

Our Unit celebrated the 98th birthday of Mrs. Ellie Laydon at this meeting! Ellie has asked that we please send a "GREAT BIG THANK YOU TO ALL MEMBERS THAT HAD SENT HER BIRTHDAY CARDS, GIFTS AND STOPPED IN FOR A VISIT! AND A REALLY BIG THANK YOU FOR THE SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY AT OUR MEETING!"

Lora Linder reported at the March meeting, our unit is at 91% with 156 paid. Please reach out to membership team (Lora Linder 262-389-5339 or Carolyn Knoppa 414-651-7768) to get that taken care of.

Mel Nowak reported that this year reporting hours were down by 700 hours. Last year she reported 1500 service to Veteran hours for all of our Unit members. She asked that each of us please keep track of what we do and spend, then turn that in at the end of March each year. Our Unit does so much, and we should all be proud to give justice to all of the great things we do!

Thank you to all members that have been clipping! Keep on clipping coupons and bringing them to our meetings or call/email the Coupon Chair Patty Wollner (262-707-5485) pawollner@icloud.com to plan for pick up/delivery. Please note the expiration dates on all coupons. The Veterans have a 2-month window for usage.

The 2nd District is sponsoring a Car Show Fundraiser for Daniel Seehafer for National Commander. PLEASE SEE ATTACHED SHEET.

Our Unit is having a "Spring NO-SHOW Fling" Fundraiser. PLEASE SEE ATTACHED FLYER! We are hoping that our entire Legion Family will participate. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

Attached is our member of the year nomination form. Please make sure all nominations are turned in to Mary Arvai (262)685-7757 by May 17, 2022. Our member of the year will be awarded at the June Banquet.

Diane and Ann will be hosting our June Banquet on **TUESDAY JUNE 14TH**, at Edgewater Golf Course (Bunkers). Cocktails will start at 5:30, Dinner is served at 6:15. Reservations need to be made by June 7th. Please contact Ann Fields at (262)-384-1982) or aannfields@yahoo.com.

Menu:

Parmesan Chicken with Garlic Noodles	\$20.00
Broasted Chicken with Baked or French Fries	\$20.00
Steak Sandwich with Baked or French Fries	\$20.00
Chef Salad with Roll	Getting Price

You pay for your meal that night. If you make a reservation and cannot make it, you will be responsible for your bill, unless you call Ann in advance to cancel.

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS, The Sweat 4 Vets Walk/Run (May 21, 2022) Early bird registration deadline is May 1, to be guaranteed a t-shirt please sign up by then. Registration will still be open even on the day of the event however, you may not be guaranteed a t-shirt. The Department of WI Commander and President will be walking this year too!

THE FOLLOWING PLEASE REPORT TO GRAFTON LEGION POST ON FRIDAY MAY 20 BY 4:00PM:

Sherrie Pals, Mary Arvai – New Registration / Judy Kuta, Pauline Hogan, Patty Wollner, Lora Linder – Pre-Registration / T-Shirts – Toni Moegenburg, Judy Wendtlandt. The hours are 5:00 – 7:00 pm

PLEASE REPORT SATURDAY MAY 21 TO THE GRAFTON POST 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

Please arrive by 9:30 am - Judy Kuta, Cathy Brunnquell, Janice Bould, Mary Molaski, Linda Faas – Lunch Set Up/Serving. Toni Moegenburg, Todd Luft, and Mike Mills – Clean-up/Take Down after event. If any volunteers wanting a t-shirt they will need to register just like a participant.

Amy has reached out to Zablockie again this year for our VA Picnic. We are waiting to hear back from them. Our tentative date is Saturday July 9, 2022. Please stay tuned for details.

The American Legion National Convention is being held in Milwaukee this year. Many, many volunteers are needed. Anyone who is interested in volunteering please contact the ALA National Convention Committee Chair Amy Luft at 414-651-7300 or amyjluf@gmail.com.

Reminder to ALL Auxiliary Members in good standing; Election's will take place MAY 17TH at our regular monthly meeting. Anyone interested in nominating a person or wanting to put their name on the ballot please contact; TONI MOEGENBURG (414-750-3426) OR MARGIE SCHOONOVER (262-268-9295). Thanks to each of you for your consideration!

POPPY DISTRIBUTION WILL BE HELD FRIDAY MAY 27TH & SATURDAY 28TH.

ANY MEMBERS AVAILABLE TO DISTRIBUTE POPPYS PLEASE CONTACT CATHY BRUNNQUELL @262-424-7692

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday May 3 – Exec Board Meeting lower-level 6:30 Tuesday May 10 – Bingo

Tuesday May 17 – Unit meeting lower-level refreshments at 6:00 meeting 6:30 ELECTION NIGHT Saturday May 21 – Sweat 4 Vets

Tuesday June 14 – June 14th June Banquet

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to ALL Members with May Birthdays!

Submitted by: Sue Turowski, Secretary



ROSE-HARMS UNIT 355
2022 MEMBER OF THE YEAR BALLOT

TO QUALIFY AS MEMBER OF THE YEAR, A MEMBER MUST BE IN GOOD STANDING WITH 2022 DUES PAID.
PLEASE FEEL FREE TO NOMINATE ANY MEMBER OF OUR UNIT AS MEMBER OF THE YEAR.

THESE ARE THE THREE REASONS WHY I BELIEVE MY NOMONEE IS PERFECT FOR MEMBER OF THE YEAR!

PLEASE HAVE YOUR BALLOTS TO MARY ARVAI BY MAY 17, 2022

The Mighty 2ND District American Legion Auxiliary Car Show

Saturday, June 25th, 2022



Horicon American Legion Post 157
735 South Hubbard Street, Horicon, WI

9 am – 3 pm • Registration begins at 7:30 am

\$10.00 Fee • First 50 vehicles receive a dash plaque

50/50 raffles • Bake sale • Basket raffles
Door prizes • Brat Fry • Music

