

### Rose Harms Legionnaire **June 2022**



Doug Arendt introduced the 2022 winners of our Post's annual Americanism Drawing and Essay Contest.

Category 1. Color Art, Grades 1-3. Category 2. Essay Grades, 4 & 5.

To the right of Doug;

Cadence Frisque (Category 1-1st) Linnea Gridley (Category 1-2nd), Bella Mueller (Category 2-1st), Juliet Noegel (Category 2-2nd)

Monday, June 6th Monday, June 13th Monday, June 20th Friday, June 24th

**Post General Meeting Card Party** 

**Post Executive Committee meeting** 

**Ozaukee County Installation Dinner at** 

**Grafton's Rose Harms Post 355** 



### **MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**

**Time---**Monday, May 30th, meet at our Post for a parade starting at 10:30 am.

Route---Start at Post and then we will march directly down 13th Avenue to Veterans Park. Legion members will continue to the Gazebo and then come back to Veterans Memorial along the river. 11:00 am at Memorial there will be a short speech with names of deceased Veterans read. Followed by a Rifle Salute ay the Honor Guard with Taps.

**The Auxiliary** will then host a lunch at the Post which is open to the community.

**Membership—**Gary Gilstrap reported that the Post's membership is now at 286 with goal of 298 meaning we are at 95%.

**New Post member**, Michael Kelly, USN, was welcomed board.

**Sergeant-at-Arms Mike** Knoppa/Nick Schanen reported that the Color Guard did 3 funerals this past month. He has several like new, 3' x 5' US Flags available for the taking.

Hall Report: Al Richards reported that the Post has passed its yearly inspection by the ATF and Village. He thanked Nick for performing some needed electrical work to ensure passage.

**Scouts: Steve** Shock reported that the Troop is busy with volunteering opportunities, preparing for summer camp, and earning merit badges. In addition, they are preparing for a summer Black Hills Adventure.

Camp American Legion: Bill Vorac reported that the ice is out at the Camp and that spring opening activities are in progress. Volunteer workers from the Post are traveling to camp the week of May 15th. The Post has decided to make a 10-year commitment to continue sponsoring our Cabin 17.

**Tent Rental Program: Tom** Grabow said that 18 jobs are on the books for this year so far, which is a record for contracted work. Helpers for tent setup are always needed and appreciated.

American Legion Baseball—Commander Ken Kasprzak met with Coach Durst about not having enough Junior players, so the Post will only be sponsoring a senior team this year. The team's 1st game is away on June 13th in Cedarburg, with the opening home game on June 23rd at the John Long Middle School Field. We will have an opening ceremony again this year at their first home game, so please attend if possible.

### **Recommendation Passed**

To give \$400 to Jim Proefrock for services rendered in keeping the Post accessible and safe during the winter months.

### **New Business:**

The new American Flag and pole donated by the Post for Kellner Field at the Grafton High School will be officially dedicated at the first football game of 2022.

Past Post Commander, Steve Shock, conducted the 2022-2023 Post Elections with the following results:

Commander . . . . . . . . Ken Kasprzak

1st Vice-Commander . . . Gary Gilstrap

2nd Vice-Commander . . . Sandra Krzewinski

Finance . . . . . . . . . . . Ralph Beck

Chaplain . . . . . . . . Claude Taylor

Sgt.-at-Arms . . . Mike Knoppa and Nic Schanen

Service Officer . . . . . . Ken Klein

Judge Advocate . . . . . Lee Wiskirchen

Historian . . . . . . . John Meyer

3-Year Committeeperson Ken Klein

### Good of the Legion:

Beer and soda for after the Post meeting this evening are compliments of Doug Arendt, Jon Fass, and Marty Wegner.

### The Post's Monthly Calendar Raffle Winners

\$50 - Jim Stencel

\$30 – Janet Wilde

\$25 – Jim Klimek

\$20 – Maureen Valiquette

\$15 – Franklin Haupt

\$10 - Ken Brown

### **COMMANDERS CORNER-KEN KASPRZAK**



One sunny day, I was riding my bicycle and stopped at Centennial Park. All My Friends Playground is now completed and is a favorite in Grafton. Pictures are on display at entrance. Note that our Legion Family was \$2,500 contributor. Check it out. You will be impressed at how great this playground turned out after years of planning and donations from the Grafton community.

Memorial Day is day in which we honor all service men and women who died in order to insure our freedom. As Americans, we are for ever grateful to our fallen heroes. These service members possessed courage, pride, determination, dedication to duty, and integrity – all the qualities needed to serve a cause larger than one's self.

**2022 the names of American Legion Post 355** members who passed and served in our armed forces are as follows:

Dennis Bruss----US Air Force Vietnam
Roy Deetjen----US Army Korea
Melvin Eischen----US Army WWII
Armand Goeden-----US Army Korea
James Grant-----US Navy Vietnam
Daniel Harris-----US Air Force Vietnam
James Hilgart-----US Air Force Korea
Noel Kunde-----US Army Pre-Vietnam
Phillip Monson----US Marine Corps Vietnam
Thomas Peterson------US Army Vietnam
David Schmalz------US Air Force Vietnam
Daniel Sieracki------US Army Korea
Joseph Walsh------US Air Force Korea

American Legion Baseball----The application was received and approved by The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin. Their first home game is June 23, 5:30pm, visiting team Jackson at 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue Field. Plan to attend as we will recognize veterans in attendance and to honor Dan Harris for setting in motion Grafton Legion Baseball. Also, a thank you to Coach Durst and his assistants. Thank you to K Komfort for \$300 donation towards our Legion Baseball program.

Americanism awards given to outstanding 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students in Grafton will be presented at each school by myself.

### **Camp American Legion**

Thank you to Bill Vorac, Jim Arentz, John Meyer, Sandra Krzewinski, Butch Paegelow and Tom Grabow for work at camp to insure a successful opening this year.

### **Eagle Scout Award Ceremony.**

Congratulations to Liam Walls for completing the requirements needed to obtain the rank of Eagle Scout. Award to be presented on June 11.

**A "Thank You" from** Barbara Harris, to all the Post members who attended Dan's funeral and special words by Ken Kasprzak. It was very meaningful for me and family members in attendance.

### Memorial Day Parade--May 30.

Start time is 1030am at Post. Route is directly down 13th Avenue to Veterans Park. End at Memorial, short speech, names of deceased Veterans read, Taps, and rifle salute. Immediately following Auxiliary will host a lunch at Post for members and community.

Print date----05/20/22.

### June 2022 SAL News



**Membership:** As of the May meeting, it was reported that all 81 members have paid their dues. Kudos to Paul again 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 11<sup>th</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup>. 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: Several SAL members went up to camp on May 13<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> for the camp clean-up. The cabin was restocked with supplies and the outside was cleaned up. The cabin is now ready for campers.

### SAL golf outing:

Scheduled for June 11<sup>th</sup> at Fire Ridge golf course. Registration is at 8:00 am with a 9:00 am shotgun start.

Hole sponsors are needed. If you or anyone you know would be willing to sponsor a golf hole, please contact Dick Rieck at 414-526-6409.

### Memorial Day Parade:

Look for our flags, along with the dog tags along the path in Veterans Park.

**Legion Post meeting dinner:** Volunteers are needed to serve the Post meeting dinner on the  $2^{nd}$  Monday of each month.

Meetings start at 7:00pm and dinner is at about 7:45pm.

June - Bob & Dick Rieck

July - Gary Koenen

August - Legion Corn Roast

Sept - Corey

Do you have something that you want in the next SAL newsletter? Contact Dan McKelvey at dmckelvey2038@gmail.com

Next SAL Meeting: 6/14/2022 @ 6:30pm



### American Legion Auxiliary Rose-Harms Unit 355 June 2022 Newsletter



Remember Flag Day June 14, 2022

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 5th Sweat4Vets on Saturday, May 21. We had a terrific turnout with over 500 registrants and the weather held out for us!



### A special thank you to:

The Legion for their monetary donation and the use of the tent.

The SAL for their monetary donation, grilling the brats & hamburgers and assisting with the set-up & clean-up.
The Auxiliary members who assisted with the pre-packet pick-up on Friday evening and those who assisted with the lunch and other duties on Saturday.
AND Kevin and Neal for bartending



**Lora Linder** reported at the May meeting, our unit is at 93% with 160 paid. Please reach out to our membership team (Lora Linder 262-389-5339 or Carolyn Knoppa 414-651-7768) to pay your 2022 dues.

**Mel Nowak's** VA&R report from our May meeting: Boudicca House - A 4th of July Celebration SALUTE to the 5 women veteran residents living there. "THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE" we plan to present each one with a greeting card and enclose **\$10.00 TARGET** gift cards so they may have an opportunity to purchase items for their personal needs. You can add your signature to the greeting card at the June banquet. Please bring your donation or Gift Cards to our June Banquet on June 14. The cash will be used to buy additional gift cards, so each veteran has several to shop with on the planned outing. (we'll distribute them evenly to all 5 veterans) THANK YOU.

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.

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!

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

Broasted Chicken with Baked or French Fries \$20 Steak Sandwich with Baked or French Fries \$23

Chef Salad with Roll \$18

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. Drinks are on your own.

Amy had reached out to Zablockie again this year for our VA Picnic and unfortunately the Veterans from Zablocki are still not able to visit at this time. This event is postponed until next year.

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 amyjluft@gmail.com.

### Elections were held at our May meeting and the new officers are as follows:

PRESIDENT – Ria Marien

1st Vice - Mary Arvai

2nd Vice - Lora Linder

Treasurer - Patty Wollner

Chaplain - Judy Wendtlandt

Historian – Mary Molaski

Sgt. at Arms – Amy Luft

Secretary – Sue Turowski

Parliamentarian – Judy Kuta

Member - Janice Bould

Member – Pam Klenner

Asst: Sgt at Arms – Maria Keegan

Congratulations to our new slate of officers! Mary Molaski our outgoing President would like to invite all "Old and New" Exec Board members to dinner at the Riverview Inn for her last official Exec Board meeting on Tuesday June 7 at 6:00 pm.

Please rsvp to Mary M by Friday June 3. 262-377-9251.

### **Upcoming Events:**

Tuesday June 7 – Exec Board Meeting @Riverview Inn Restaurant 6:00 pm Tuesday June 14 – June 14th June Banquet

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY to ALL Members with June Birthdays!**



Submitted by: Sue Turowski, Secretary

### Spring NO-Show Fling!

There is no need to press your tux or paint your nails Because....

Rose-Harms Unit 355 American Legion Auxiliary Is NOT having a Spring Fling!

Cocktails will NOT be served at 6:00 pm Dinner will NOT be served at 7:00 pm Special guest will NOT be Ken Kasprzak Post Commander Karaoke will NOT begin at 9:00 pm

We ask that you do NOT join us for this event! It is a NO SHOW event. PLEASE DO NOT COME.

How can you ever thank us for letting you stay home in your sweats?

A DONATION WOULD BE FANTASTIC!

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Please check one and return your donation to: Rose-Harms Unit 355 ALA 1540 13<sup>th</sup> Ave., Grafton, WI 53024

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# Fire Ridge Golf Club

2241 Hwy W, Grafton, WI - 262-375-2977

# Saturday June 11th 2022

## 8am Registration

9am Shotgun Start - Scramble Format \$100 Per Player - \$80 for Veterans

8am Breakfast Burritos - 1pm Lunch Buffet 2pm Auction, Raffle and Awards





Bloody Mary's 50% of Sales Donated to the SONS "Keep the Glass"



**Golf Friendly Event**We're Playing from
the White Tees Ladies and Over 65 Play from Red Tees Two Par 5 Holes Shake to Move Up



Roll Per

## Cheater String \$20

and count the ball as in the hole. Measure the distance from your Each team gets6 foot of string. ball to the hole, cut the string Use your string wisely!!!!

50/50 Raffle (\$5 - \$10 - \$20)

\$20 Wing Span of Tickets \$5 for 5 Tickets \$10 for 15 Tickets



### Please Return Registration by Monday June 4th, 2022

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Please send payment to:

### Sons of the American Legion c/o Heinz & Sons 57 Auto Body 1327 Wisconsin Avenue

Richard or Robert Rieck: 262-377-4190 For additional Information Contact:

Grafton, Wisconsin 53024

Grafton Mobil: 262-375-3080