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IMPORTANT DATES

Post 192

Membership Mtg 6:30 pm

October 16, 2018

November 20, 2018

Franklin Library

Sievert Room (Board RM)

4151 W. Loomis Rd, Franklin, WI

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**Legion Family Bingo
for Veterans**

9th Floor 6:45 pm

Zablocki VA Medical Center

Wed Oct 31, Nov 28, 2018

Wed Jan 30, Feb 27, Mar 27,

Apr 24, May 29, June 26, 2019

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Post Dues are \$40.00

SAL Dues are \$12.00

TO ALL VETERANS "Thank you for Serving"

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Our monthly meeting in September was well attended. We caught up with all the activities that were held during the spring and summer months. Poppy Distribution was very successful, as was reported in last months newsletter. Several of our members will again distribute Poppies on November 10th at Sendiks on Rawson Ave, from 8:00 am until 4:00 pm. The manager of Sendiks has been very good to us, so please make sure that if you shop there, you thank them for their support of the Veterans of the community. If there is a member who would like to help for an hour or so, (you don't have to be there all day) contact Adjutant Davies or Finance Officer Pfeiffer. Their phone numbers are listed on the side of the page. All volunteers are appreciated.

Upcoming events in the community: Veterans Day services will be held at the Franklin Library on Sunday, November 11, 2018. Everyone is welcome to attend, and they have refreshments for guests afterward. If you have the time, please put this on your calendar, to honor our Veterans.

Upcoming event at the War Memorial is for The Veteran of the Year. If anyone is interested in attending, reservations are required. It is sponsored by the VFW this year. If you need more information please contact Linda Pfeiffer at 262-784-2807. The form is on the back page of the newsletter, but if it is too small, or you want a larger form, Linda can mail you one.

There will be a Veterans Day Parade in downtown Milwaukee on November 10, 2018. Milwaukee is the last city in the United States that is continuously held a Veterans Day Parade. However, due to funding, this may be the last year this happens. This is similar to the Holiday Parade which is no longer being held. So, if the weather is decent, and you want to go to downtown Milwaukee and watch the Veterans Day parade, please watch the news and feel free to attend.

Our plans are to again sponsor a young man and a young lady for Badger Boys and Badger Girls State in June. We are looking for a High School Student to sponsor for the Oratorical Contest. The youth must give a 8 - 10 minute speech on the Constitution. The student we sponsored last year advanced in the District to the Department of Wisconsin contest in Ripon, but did not advance to Nationals. However she did receive a \$600 scholarship for her participation at Ripon. Please ask all High School students you know, if they would like to participate. Grandchildren, nieces, nephews, friends, neighbors, etc. College and books are expensive and we would like to help the students win a scholarship to help them with their expenses.

Commander Wes Cannon and Officers

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

1st Vice Don Johnson

As of this newsletter, we have 68 members who have paid their dues for 2019. Renewal notices have just been mailed from Nationl for those who have not paid. We are hoping that everyone will renew their dues on this renewal. Our goal this is 100 members. That is 6 down from last year, due to the loss of so many called by the Great Commander.

You can pay your dues online if you wish - please follow the instructions on your dues renewal forms.

The American Legion budgets on what they receive by the end of the year. If your dues are not at National Headquarters by December 31st, you are delinquent in your dues. Thank you for serving our Nation, and thank you for supporting the programs of the American Legion.

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BINGO AT THE VA

On Wednesday, October 31, 2018 , we will meet on the 9th floor, in the dining room, at 6:45 pm, to play BINGO, with the Veterans from the Community Living Center; and the long termed re-hab center on 9th floor.

Hospice has now moved to the 9th floors, so we had some new Veterans join us in September. While these Veterans may not be here for long, they enjoy having us spend time with them. Each Veteran who wins a game of BINGO, gets a cash prize to spend in at the canteen at the VA, or have their family purchase something for them they need. They are very excited to win their cash prize. Some of the Veterans have no family members in the area, so groups like ours, are the only company they have. This is our time to serve Veterans who need friendship and comfort.

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RECYCLING FOR FUNDRAISING

This is a profitable fundraiser for the Post. We again want to thank everyone who calls us to pick up scrap and drops off scrap materi-

als at our home. A special thank you to Post member "Ed and his spouse" for all the cans they have donated this past month.



POPPY REPORT 2017-2018

As stated in last months newsletter, we had allocated some funds from last spring from the Poppy Fund to be spent this September. At our September meeting, the members present voted on the following donations Large Golf Umbrellas for the Veterans at Zablocki VA Medical Center (Daycare) and for 9th Floor Outings and the Greenhouse Outings).

To explain-- the Daycare Veterans have a lengthy walk or wheelchair ride in an uncovered area where they are brought to the VA by VA Travel or DAV. When it is raining they often would get wet coming in the building or going back out to go home. The umbrellas are for the staff to cover the Veterans so that they can be dry both coming to and from the Daycare Center (even in light snow). 9th floor and Greenhouse Veterans go on outings and Veterans board buses to go to the Museum, movies, dinner, shopping, etc. The use of the umbrellas is again for staff to keep these Veterans dry. \$ 81.51

20 Commercial Grade Folding Chairs for Dayton House in Kenosha. This is a Residential Treatment Center for Homeless Veterans. \$ 600.00

Zablocki VA Medical Center, American Legion Office for Veterans needs in the Hospital \$ 300.00

Bingo for the Veterans at VA October 2018 - June 2019 \$ 400.00

Christmas for the Veterans at VA Hospital
Veterans of VFW - Doc Dentice (in Patient Veterans to be held in December 2018 \$ 300.00

National Emergency Fund - designated for Wisconsin Veterans who were affected by the floods this past summer \$ 300.00

Cookies for the 128th Air Refueling Group for "Welcome Home" for the members who were all deployed during this past year (approx) \$ 100.00

We will continue to advise the membership of monies that are raised by Poppy Distributions, and what the membership decides to spend the proceeds on, at our monthly membership meetings.

Just as a reminder, all Poppy monies must be used for Veterans, their immediate families, or Veterans Programs.



Veterans Help

Milwaukee County Service Office
Director James Duff
Monday - Friday 8 am - 4:30 pm
6419 W Greenfield Ave
West Allis WI, 53214
414-266-1234 fax: 414-266-1233
jduff@milwcnty.com

American Legion Service Officer
James Falkowski,
Monday - Friday
8 am - 4:00 pm
414-902-5722 fax: 414- 902-9401
5400 W National Avenue, Rm 164
Milwaukee, WI 53214-3461

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VOLUNTEER HOURS

Are you keeping track of the time you volunteer at your Church, helping neighbors with yard work, or grocery shopping? If not, please do. E-mail that information to Adjutant Gretchen Davies on a monthly basis, as all those hours can be put on our reports, showing that Veterans are still serving. Those hours add up. No e-mail? Mail the reports to the Commander and he will give them to Gretchen.

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CLEANING OUT YOUR GARAGE? HAVING A PARTY? FUNDRAISING - SCRAP METAL ALUMINUM

Please continue to save Aluminum Cans and scrap metal for our programs. If you need the metal picked up, call Walter Pfeiffer and we will make arrangements to have it picked up and taken to recycle. Thank you to our members (and friends of the Legion) who continue to help with this fundraising project. You can call Walter at 262-784-2807. This is an easy way to raise funds. THANK YOU to the members who have called, and dropped off Aluminum and scrap metal at our home.

HISTORY OF THE

FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION

BELOW IS QUOTED FROM THE CONVENTION BOOK RECEIVED AT THE 2018 CONVENTION IN MINNEAPOLIS IN

AUGUST 2018

Walter & Linda Pfeiffer- delegates

* Front Page, Minneapolis Tribute, Nov 9, 1919, "They will gather in Minneapolis tomorrow to launch the greatest organization of Veterans in World History".

* Massachusetts with 200, Pennsylvania with 175 and New York with 100 were the largest delegations.

* Major Asa Griggs Candler, the owner of Coca-Cola was part of the Georgia delegation.

* With hotel rooms running short, the Minneapolis Civic and Commerce Association, called for Minneapolis homes to open their doors to take in conventioners.

* A reporter for the Minneapolis Tribune wrote that at least six times during the last night of the convention, Chairman Henry Lindsley lost control of the proceedings, his gavel having no effect. At these times, Lindsley called Secretary Eric Fisher Wood to the podium, and he used his "foghorn" voice to restore order. At the end of the session, pandemonium reigned in the Minneapolis auditorium. At least a dozen efforts to adjourn the session were made without success.

* Women War Workers wanted to be included in the Auxiliary, but the Legion decided only blood relatives would qualify.

* Founder Theodore Roosevelt Jr., who had announced he would not accept any office in the new organization made only one speech during the convention. On the last day, he nominated Fr. Francis Kelly of New York as national chaplain. Kelly was elected.

* After Indiana won the bid for the national headquarters, Indiana delegate M.G. Lipton stated "Without the support of Minnesota and the two

Dakotas, we would not have been able to win the selection. We'll always have a good word for Minneapolis and the state for the splendid way we were treated during the contest."

* The first meeting of the convention was held at the Radisson Hotel at 3 p.m. Friday. The convention proper was slated to open on Monday, Nov. 10. At the Friday meeting, organized to go over the agenda, only six states were not represented.

* Evangeline Booth, the head of the Salvation Army came to the convention to ask the Legion to work with them on helping discharged servicemen.

* Henry Lindsley, chairman of the convention planning, spoke at the University of Minnesota Post and Explained why Minneapolis was awarded the convention.

"Minneapolis won the first national convention of The American Legion on the simple proposition that it was a city composed of patriotic 100 percent loyal Americans."

* A canteen was established for 10 days during the convention span in a store front at 523 Marquette Avenue, in downtown Minneapolis. It featured donuts, coffee, pies, cake and cookies. It was designed to look exactly like a canteen would have looked like in France near the battlefields. It had a rough board counter, bare pine tables, and hard narrow benches. It was staffed by a dozen Minneapolis women who had served in France at the canteens. Their job was to serve pie and "cheery smiles."

* The Minneapolis Journal said the payment of a bonus to soldiers and sailors who had served in the Great War was a primary issue the convention would discuss. Those from the West Coast and enlist men favored a bonus. Those from the East Coast and officers were opposed.

* The first woman delegate to arrive at the convention was Virginia Whitmore of San Francisco. She said she wanted the Legion to promote

vocational training for disabled veterans. She herself was a disabled vet. It was expected that 13 other women would attend the convention as delegates.

* Minnesota had the fifth largest number of delegates, based on state membership. The top four states were Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New York and Ohio.

We will follow with more in the November issue of the Newsletter. We wanted to share with the membership the History of our Organization. Please use this knowledge, to encourage others to join the American Legion, and help to carry on the Programs that started from the inception of our beginning. Thank you.

Below are the feet of the Veterans in our Day Care Center at the Milwaukee VA Medical Center. Many in Wheelchairs. They are playing a game that we donated to them from our Poppy Funds last year.

"...and they're off!" The American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) volunteers have been bringing joy and excitement to the Adult Day Health Care Vets' Club members for almost three decades! It began with Bingo on the second Tuesday each month and has transformed

into a rousing Horseracing game!

The Vets' Club members, veterans age 60+, look forward to seeing their A.L.A. friends! Currently, Sue and Sharon are "at the reigns!" This past year, the Horseracing game galloped up the post a few notches! Thanks to the Franklin American Legion Post 192, a new Horseracing game was donated to the Vets' club!

This new game involves the Vets' Club members more fully and gives them an up close and personal view of each race! Excitement builds as the horses jockey for win position! Prizes are given for win, place, and show for each race! It can get pretty rowdy at Vets' Club on the second Tuesday morning of the month!

Special thanks to the A.L. for their generosity!! Their support is most-appreciated by all Vets' Club members and staff! Sandi McCormick, RMT



Veterans Board of Directors
War Memorial Center
Milwaukee, Wisconsin



VETERANS DAY BANQUET
Sunday November 11, 2018

You are cordially invited to the 2018 Veterans Day Banquet
Sponsored By: The VFW

Honoring All Who Have Proudly Served



Guest Speaker: Dr. Dan Zomchek Zablocki VA Medical Center Director
Announcing the 2019 Milwaukee County "Veteran of the Year"

Where: War Memorial Center - Memorial Hall
750 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr. Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Parking - North Side of the War Memorial Center

Cost: \$30.00 per person - \$35.00 after November 4th cutoff date.

Cash Bar: 5:00 p.m.

Sit Down Dinner: 6:30 p.m.

Do Not Send Cash - Make Checks Payable To: Veterans Board of Directors
Mail to: Veterans Day Banquet C/O Bob Bolz
15890 W. Maple Ridge Rd. New Berlin, WI 53151

No walk-ins - Reservations Only - Table assignments given at the door
Complete the form below and send it in by November 4, 2017

If you are making reservations for more than one person, please list the names and dinner selections on the back of this form.
Tables of eight or more may be reserved. Please indicate names of dining partners

Banquet Information Contact: Bob Bolz bbolbulz@sbcglobal.net 262-227-7344

Name _____

Organization _____

Home Address: _____

Phone () _____

(Please indicate choice of (1) entree below)

Roast Turkey Baked Haddock Beef Burgundy Tips Vegetable Lasagna

Need Gluten Free

Handicapped seating is available- Please indicate here if needed _____

Bradley McCarthy
November 20, 1948
September 28, 2018
Vietnam - US Navy
Past Post Commander
Past 4th District Commander

May his family be comforted that he will suffer no more. May he Rest in Peace



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