



**Tinley Park Post 615**  
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**Newsletter Format**

This newsletter has taken on a new format in that it is now being written to include all members of Post 615, Women's Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion and the Legion Riders. Feedback on improving our newsletter is welcome.

**Post News**

Convention delegates attended the state convention in Springfield. The celebration of our new state commander was held outside the hotel and before the storm started, everyone was having a great time. Bill Hudson is now our state commander. Post 615 was given an award for 100% membership for past year. Thanks again to all of you who renewed or recently joined our post.

Membership dues are currently due for the year 2008-09. Please submit ASAP so that we can get credit for 100% before Oct. 31. Please encourage everyone to help out on this endeavor.

The post picnic in June was enjoyable and many who turned out had a great time. Unfortunately, the Manteno vets were unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict.

The recognition event at our August meeting was held and many were served a very good Prime Rib dinner. Thanks again for all those who contribute their time and efforts to help out at our Post or the various veteran events.

**Phone Blast** is a new information delivery system where the Post makes a mass phone call to members. Current uses include: alerting Honor Guard for special events, soliciting unpaid dues, emergency notifications. Please don't hang up until you have heard the entire message.

**E Newsletter**

*We are looking into whether or not we should email the post newsletter out with a link to our site to enable everyone who wants to read it on line. There are obvious advantages with cost savings and more timely delivery. Please email us at: [admin615@sbcglobal.net](mailto:admin615@sbcglobal.net)*

**Post 615 Canteen/Bar**

Our canteen is open daily Monday thru Saturday at 10AM and Sunday at 11AM for your convenience.

**Upcoming 2008 Post events**

Sep 20<sup>th</sup>- Prime Rib Dinner  
Oct 18<sup>th</sup>- Western BBQ Dinner and Music  
Nov 15<sup>th</sup>- Turkey Shoot  
Dec 14<sup>th</sup>- Kid's Xmas Party

**District meetings**

**All Meetings are on Thursdays and start at 8:00pm.**  
**Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>**- Thornton Post (1170-109 North Williams Street, Thornton, Illinois)  
**Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Park Forest Post 1198  
(1631 South Western Avenue, Chicago Heights, Illinois)  
**Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>** - Blue Island Post 50  
(2427 Grove Street, Blue Island)  
**No December meeting**  
**Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Tinley Park Post 615

**Post 615 Meeting dates**

Sep. 2<sup>nd</sup> - Monthly meeting 7:30 PM  
Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> - Monthly meeting 7:30 PM  
Nov 18<sup>th</sup> - Monthly meeting 7:30 PM  
Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> - Monthly meeting 7:30 PM

**Post 615 Web Page**

[www.post615.com](http://www.post615.com)

The Post web site is current and available to all on the internet. Please visit for current news, events and updates with Post Event movies. Also available are links to veteran's sites and news of interest.

**Color Guard**

The color guard needs your participation as past events have had only a few people attending. Let's all show support in helping to display our colors and be proud of the Post.



## American Legion Auxiliary #615

Colleen O'Connor, President

- Pocket Calendars for 2008/09 are available (\$1.50).
- We are scheduled to Host Texas Hold-m October. Volunteers are needed.
- Meetings are 1st Wednesday of the month 7PM. Hope to see you.
- September 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting we host our IGS girls and Americanism Essay winners as well as initiate all new members and officers take their oath.



## Sons of The American Legion

Jim Borgman, Commander

Upcoming S.A.L. events

- September 19<sup>th</sup> S.A.L. Poker night 2:00 PM until 2:00 AM– volunteers needed to work the door
- September 23<sup>rd</sup> Squadron meeting 7:30 PM – all are welcome
- September 27<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM D.E.C. meeting at American Legion Post in Manteno
- September 27<sup>th</sup> Squadron 615 will host Detachment Commander Mike Sawicki's Homecoming – all are welcome for dinner and entertainment 1 hour after the close of the D.E.C. meeting
- October 28<sup>th</sup> Squadron meeting 7:30 PM – all are welcome

On July 20<sup>th</sup> we ran our normal beverage stand and bean bag tournament at Tinley Park's annual 1 day Caribbean Day fest. We could have used a few more volunteer to give workers a better break but all turned out very well. S.A.L. 615 held its first Poker night on July 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all those that volunteered, both events were a huge success. Our year starts July 1<sup>st</sup> and between those two events alone we are off to what should be our best year for fund raising with over \$5,000 already on the books.

It is because of the hard working volunteers that our Squadron is able to make a very big difference in various Legion programs serving our Vets, children, and community. As taken from the Annual Consolidated Report we recently submitted for last year ending June 30, 2008 Squadron 615 has donated 1,096 man hours and given \$4,875.00 in cash donations, congratulations to all who contributed, great job!

Speaking of a new fiscal year, dues are due now, please get them paid ASAP. We are still offering the same rate of \$20.00 per year, or the 5 year plan for only \$75.00, a \$25.00 savings. I urge you to take advantage of this offer because it will lock you in at this rate even if dues are increased next year which is likely.

Welcome new members

Tom Ward, Tom Slater, Kevin Price, Chris Hull, Owen Heitman

**Our Squadron Meetings are always the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM  
Hope to see you there!**



## Legion Riders

Director Wayne Moak

- The Legion Riders are new to the Post. You can look forward to seeing us at different events in town.
- Committees are forming plans for future events and volunteers will be needed.
- The Legion Riders continue to work with the Patriot Guard with many events to follow.
- Meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month 7PM.
- Legacy Run to the National Convention was a success, more will follow.

We look forward to working with Our Legion Family.

---And Ride Safe---