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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

During the last few months several post events have been conducted. The Manteno Vets came to our post for a Chicago Bears game. Tommy G. set up a projection TV in the Hall for a great view of the game. The Vets were very grateful for the member turnout, lunch and an overall nice day. Our Turkey Shoot had a nice turnout and all 30 turkeys were raffled off. Winners picked up their turkey at Walt's Foods, who was gracious enough to work with us on getting the birds and then holding them for pick-up. The annual Tinley Park Village Market was held at the Oak Park Ave. Metra station parking lot in the tent with various vendors and events going on during the 3 day event in December. Post 615 provided a beverage concession serving German warm Gluewhein and beer, regular array of domestic beer & wine and for the more ventures - some hot chocolate with peppermint schnapps. Thanks to our volunteers for manning this event and helping out. We should all be proud of them. The 8th District annual Holiday Hop was hosted by Post 615 during the same time as the annual village Lights parade and the Village Market creating quite a busy weekend. While participation in the parade was very limited by our membership, a special thanks to those who braved the cold wind and marched. The following weekend our annual children's Christmas party was held with the help of the Ladies Auxiliary. The ladies kept the kids busy with a number of events, while Santa readied the sleigh and made the trip. When Santa arrived he entertained the kids (and parents, grandparents) before he gave out the presents. Special thanks to Ladies and our Santa Claus. Another year has ended and we look forward to the coming year with new and more events.

Texas hold 'em Poker at the Post

Fri. Feb. 13th
Sat. Apr. 25th
Fri. May 8th
Sat. Jun. 20th
Sat. Sep. 5th

All games 2pm till 2am

Nominations

Nominations for Post offices will be held at the March 3rd meeting.

Annual Dues

Annual membership fees were due in August for the current year. As of this date we are at 90% of our goal with 44 short. If you are receiving this newsletter and haven't paid your dues, please do so ASAP to continue your benefits of American Legion membership. **Your continuing membership is very important to the causes of veterans in this country.**

Upcoming 2009 Post events

Feb 7th- Ray Anderson memorial Sock Hop
Mar 1st, SAL Breakfast 8am-11am
ALR flag raising
Mar. 21st- SAL Shrimp Boil
Jun 28th- Post Picnic

Post 615 Meeting dates

All Meetings are on the first Tuesday of the month and start at 7:30 PM.

Feb. 3rd-Mar. 3rd-Apr. 7th-May 5th-Jun. 2nd

District meetings

All Meetings are on Thursdays and start at 8:00pm.

Jan. 22nd- Tinley Park Post 615
Feb. 26th- Marrs Meyer Post
Mar. 26th- Edward Schultz Post

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 our Post.



American Legion Auxiliary #615

- Meetings are 1st Wednesday of the month 7PM.
Hope to see you.



Sons of The American Legion

Jim Borgman, Commander
Upcoming S.A.L. events

Officer nominations at the March 24th meeting

From the Finance officer.
Gentlemen, we are almost there! We only need 18 more renewals to be 100% renewed. You know who you are. Please get your dues in ASAP. Send them to the Post and put S.A.L. on the envelope. The 1st Division is # 1 in the state and we want to stay that way.
We are also inviting all the members of the American Legion Family to attend our meeting on Tuesday Jan 27th, 2009 @ 7:30 P.M. for a presentation of checks we have gathered for Honor Flight Chicago. Mr. Read Boeckel (a board member) will attend and will show a very moving 7 minute video of what happens on this trip. You are all welcome.

Upcoming annual St. Pat's day parade gourmet Breakfast will be Sunday March 1st from 8 A.M. to 11 A.M.

The cost is \$7 per person Seniors 62 and over \$5

Hope to see you all there.

Welcome New Members

Larry Borgman, James Celli II, Brian Krok
Anthony O'Connell, Mike Pollo

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



Legion Riders

Director Wayne Moak

Officer nominations at the January meeting

- 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 2nd Wednesday of the month 7PM.

We look forward to working with Our Legion Family.

Upcoming events include a special flag raising ceremony of the American Legion Riders Flag after the SAL gourmet breakfast on March 1, 2009

---And Ride Safe---