

Tinley Park Post 615 17423 67th Ct.- Tinley Park IL 60477 708-532-1737 Family Newsletter November, 2010



Post News

Commander: Dave Montee I would like to say thank you to all of the family's of Post 615. They have all been working very hard at implementing programs of the American Legion and getting the word out to the citizens of Tinley Park that we are an organization which helps the community in many ways. We have implemented the "Toby Tire" School bus safety program and offered it to every school in Tinley Park. We have also offered the American Legion Essay program to all of the schools. Next we are going to work on the Oratorical Contest. I hope to have that information out to the schools by the middle of November. The Post has given school awards out to graduates of our elementary schools for years and for the last two years we have sponsored children to Boys State. The Auxiliary has offered the Girls State program for a number of years and we have given that program a shot in the arm.

There are many more programs in the works and I hope to have them started by the end of my term. With the help of the family members I would say there is no reason why that can't be accomplished. They have all shown more interest than I could have ever expected.

Post 615 Lounge

Our lounge is open daily at 10 AM and will close at 10 PM. Friday and Saturday the lounge will be open until Midnight. Sunday 11 AM and close at 10 PM. The Post is featuring a Special draught beer at special pricing. Stop in and enjoy a beverage of your choice. Keep in mind that we will have special holiday hours.

Newsletter Information

As you can see, we have not gone to our new format as of yet. We are still working on it and hope it will be complete in time for the next newsletter in February.

The newsletter is becoming costly with recent postal rate increases, material and printing expenses. If those members who have internet access would please send us your email address to: <u>Admin@post615.com</u> we could lessen our expenses considerably. Thank-you

8th District Meetings

All Meetings are on the 4th Thursday of the month Meeting begins at 8:00pm

Sr. Vice Bob Shaffner As of Oct. 15th. 2010 Post 615 is @ 74.73% of the membership paid for 2011. We have 346 members paid out of 463. Our goal this year is to bring our membership up to 472, that's only 9 additional members than we have as of last year. So far this year we have 5 new members plus 1 transfer from post 2910. So for the 117 members who have yet to pay your dues please do so A.S.A.P. The dead line is coming up fast. The reason we try to get @ 100% so early is because the post receives additional money back if we make it by a certain time. If you have paid your dues and have not received your card please let me know so we can get them to you. We currently have 8 post in our district that are ahead of us all but 1 have a much smaller membership, so we aren't doing to bad. I wish all of you happy holidays in the upcoming months. GOD BLESS AMERICA and GOD BLESS OUR TROOPS

Membership

Upcoming Post Events

Oct. 29 Poker at the Post Nov. 10 Marine Birthday. Come up and celebrate with us! Nov. 13 Turkey Shoot Nov. 14 Manteno Vet's visit the Post for Bear's Game Nov. 16 Post Meeting (rescheduled from Nov. 2) Nov. 19 Poker at the Post Dec. 12 Children's Christmas Party Jan 8 Elvis Birthday Bash Feb. 6 Super Bowl Party

Post 615 Meeting Dates

Don't forget, the regular Post meeting for November will be the third Tuesday, due to <u>Elections</u>

All Meetings are on the first Tuesday of the month (except election days) starting at 7:30 PM.

November 16th, December 7th, January 4th, and February 1st.

Post 615 Web Page www.post615.com

Please visit on a regular basis for important news. Links to pertinent veteran sites are also on the site.



American Legion Auxiliary #615

Katrina Scheidler, President Hello Ladies!

With Christmas just around the corner, I know everyone's lives are becoming a little more hectic. I appreciate the time you are taking to read our newsletter.

I would like to ask that if any of the following ladies are reading this, PLEASE call Deb Melchert at 708-610-3398.

Corrine Deinert - Tinley Park, IL, Carol Jordan - Tinley Park, IL, Caroline Kroll - Oak Forest, IL

Beverly Sadler - Sarasota, FL, Cindy Wolf - Markham, IL

The Kid's Christmas Party is on Sunday, December 12^{th} from 12:00 - 3:00 pm. The Christmas party is open to children and grandchildren 12 years of age and under. Only children signed up in advance will receive a gift. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board at the Post no later than November 1st. The deadline for sign up is November 12th. And on Saturday, January 8, we will be holding an Elvis Birthday Bash! There will be an Elvis impersonator who some of our members have seen and love. His name is Bob West. If you have computer access, please check him out at bobwestelvis.com. Tickets for this event will be \$15.00 in advance, and \$20.00 at the door. There will be food catered in by Mario's Catering. This is looking to be a fun time to be had by all!

Are you happy with your American Legion Auxiliary? Do you have suggestions? Would you like to learn more about what we do? Please feel free to join us at our meetings on the first Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm. It would be great to see you! If you can't make the meetings, but have something to add, please send me a note to the Post.

Thank you so much for your continued support.



Sons of The American Legion

Larry Grossenbacher, Commander The S.A.L. wants to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year as this will be our last newsletter before 2011.

We want to welcome all new members and hope that they will step up and participate in our Squadron activities.

We are also looking for any members that would like to join our Color Guard. We need a few more members so that we can cover the various events we do. You are not expected to attend all the events, we just want to have enough members to cover us. We assist the Legion with various events plus do events of our own. Anyone interested contact Jimmy Hunter @ 708-567-9062.

Thanks to all that showed up at Manteno on Oct 10th and helped us and The Marine Corps League do Day at the Races for the Vets there. We did 8 races and served them lunch and the Vets had a great time. Let's also show some support Sunday Nov 14th when the Manteno Vets come to the Post for the Bears game. One note, Jimmy Hunter is now the S.A.L. Volunteer Rep at Manteno. He will help coordinate S.A.L. activities at Manteno. Our next event at the Post is the Turkey Shoot Sat Nov 13th @ 4 P.M. Let's show some support for this as well.

Our next Poker night has been changed from Dec 11th to Nov 19 th. We can always use all the help working the chip table as we can get. Even if it's only for a couple hours we can use you.

Don't forget the kids Christmas Party listed elsewhere in the newsletter.

Our next S.A.L. District Executive Council meeting is Sat Dec 11th at Royal Post 996 in Royal, II at 1 P.M. Everyone is invited. Call Jimmy Hunter for details.

Our meetings are the 4thTue of the month @ 7 P.M. It's time for dues. If you haven't paid them please send them to the Post c/o Jimmy Hunter \$20 one year \$75 for 5 Year card. Happy Holidays to all



Legion Riders

Jim (JJ) Johnson Director Since the last quarter the Riders have been active in Post events. September brought us the annual Kevin Clarke run. This is the second year that we have held a pancake breakfast. And it was a great success. And the Riders would like to thank all our family members who helped us. And special thanks to Jim Hunter and Joe Connley who really stood tall in the kitchen (the eggs were fantastic). The same day Riders were in the run and we were represented also in the annual Autumn Arts Parade along with the Post.

October brought us to some long rides and fond memories. For those of us that were able to attend the Tinley Park Veterans breakfast we would like to thank the Tinley Park Veteran's commision for having us participate. The next few months will be limited to the weather so to all ALR members remember to do all the things needed to store your bike because next year there will be more riding to do than in previous years. As the fall progresses we hope to participate with our fellow family members to promote and enhance Post 615. Meetings are second wed. of the month at post. Meeting times are 1900hrs all are welcome.