



# The Post 615 Insider

## TINLEY PARK AMERICAN LEGION

Commanders Viewpoint  
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### **POST MEETS FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH (except on Election Days)**

April begins spring and the approach of the end of this Legion year which means Post elections will take place at the May mtg.

We are cosponsoring with the VFW a carnival May 20 to 22 at the Metra station at 179th and 80th Ave. There is no upper age limit on the rides so come and have a good time.

Our Queen of Hearts game is held each Thur. nite at 7pm and the current pot is approaching \$3000. Your chance of winning is just as good as everyone else.

And speaking of card games each Wed. at noon there is a pinnacle double deck partner game (no fee and no betting).

We are still looking for young men or women for Boys/Girls State. They must have completed their high school junior year by June 2016. Know someone?

Call me please.

Traveling Vietnam Wall will be in Markham from May 7th to May 12th.

**ALAN PATTERSON, ADJ. SERVICE OFFICER**

IL SB 107 has been signed into law and is now in effect whose benefits veterans with a least a 30% disability on up to 100% disability with "property tax" relief ranging from some relief all the way to total relief. Orland Park Village Admin. Is holding a seminar open to any veteran at the OP Civic Center on Feb. 22nd at 11am to explain the new law.

For those who receiving VA medical care there is a new VA ID card which is required and has the bar code strip Along the bottom to safeguard against identity theft.

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**Bill Porter, Sr. Vice**

**As of April 15th we had 429 paid members against our required 442 so we are still with only about forty five days left short 13 members. We need help.**

**Illinois State Gaming  
AT  
Post 615 Canteen  
Come on in and join the Excietment!**





## American Legion Auxiliary Unit 615

### Peggy Williams, President

Hello Everyone,

It's that time of year --- May is quickly approaching and that means POPPIES. Please consider volunteering a few hours of your time for this most worthy fundraiser. If you don't have the time to volunteer, please remember those who have sacrificed and help us fill the donation cans. Poppy Days are Thursday, May 19 thru Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. We will be at the Jewel on Harlem, Walt's, the Post Office, and of course the Metra train stations. Sign-up sheets will be posted on the bulletin board shortly.

This year the Auxiliary made a generous donation to the Nurses' Scholarship sponsored by Department. We are also sponsoring our annual scholarship in honor of past President Jeanne Machara. Details are available on flyers available at the Post. If you have any questions, please contact Peggy, Pam Sandrin, Barbara Schmall or Karen Borgman.

Congratulations to Lois Freitag, a long-time member who never fails to amaze us with her kindness, spirit and generosity. At our March meeting we unanimously voted to confer honorary membership on Lois. She is an inspiration to us all! Keep those coupons coming Lois (and thank you!).

If you have, or know of anyone who has used gently used clothing or household items, Veterans Closet in Park Forest will gladly take them. Their hours are limited for now, but I've personally visited and donated items. Please let me know if you have items to donate.

We lost two long-time members this year, Anna Schumacher and Mary Barclay. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families. Incidentally, both ladies were Past Presidents of our Auxiliary.

Thanks to Glenn Lynch and the Legion for collecting quarters for our Hines Vets. Four quarters were attached to a playing card and handed out to the Vets for use at the vending machines, etc. Our Eighth District volunteers were very happy to have these tray cards to distribute on their bimonthly rounds.

Thanks to each and every one of you who support us. We couldn't do it without you.

Sincerely, Peggy

### CARL La PORTE, JR Vice.

**I would like to thank everyone who volunteered to work and cook the day of the St. Patrick's Day Parade. This turned out to be a great success. As you know this event could not have been a success without the commitment of all our members, staff and friends.**

**Please mark your calendars:**

**May 20-22 Armed Forces Day Festival (carnival) at the Metra station on 179th and 80th Ave.**

**June 26th Welcome Home Veterans Celebration at the Post free to all Vets and families.**

**July 16th Post 615's picnic Noon til food runs out**

***Sept 17th 2nd Annual Pork Chop Dinner***



## Sons of The American Legion Squadron 615

John F. Joyce, Commander

I want to thank all for coming out to our Shrimp Boil. It was a great night for all. I especially want to thank all whom volunteered to help. And a great thanks to the ladies for the goodies donated. We have done our elections for the upcoming year. We have great officers in place and we will do a great job for our S.A.L. and the other families.

Our meeting are held on the last Tuesday of the month at 7:00p.m. Please come and support. There is food following the meetings.

Here is a list of some of the upcoming events. Please note there are more being added and we will post when details are available.

Legion picnic [July 16th](#) at post

Prince Home Cook out- July 17th

Pork chop dinner Sept 17th

Family carnival [May 20,21,22](#) at 80th Ave train Station in conjunction with VFW

" " [July 21,22,23,24](#) at 80th Ave train Station or Bettenhausen on Oak Park Ave

" " Sept 30, [Oct 1](#) & 2 At Bettenhausen on Oak Park Ave

Manteno Vets picnic- August 7<sup>th</sup>

Manteno Vets Day at the Races- October 23rd

We will be donating \$100 to Boy Scout troop 785 in Tinley.

We also will be donating \$100 to Life Scout, Will Marquardt from troop 725 in Mokena for his Eagle Scout project.

State convention [June 24,25 & 26](#).



## American Legion Riders Chapter 615

Don Moore Director

No Report



Come on into  
to watch all



the Post 615 Canteen  
your favorite



**Sports.**

Enjoy the Camaraderie of old and new friends. Have an enjoyable refreshment. Try your luck at our many games. Watch and participate in "Jeopardy" and "Wheel of Fortune" Check out our "Queen of Hearts" game and Just relax and have fun. Play our pull tabs, or just listen to your favorite song.

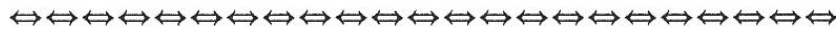




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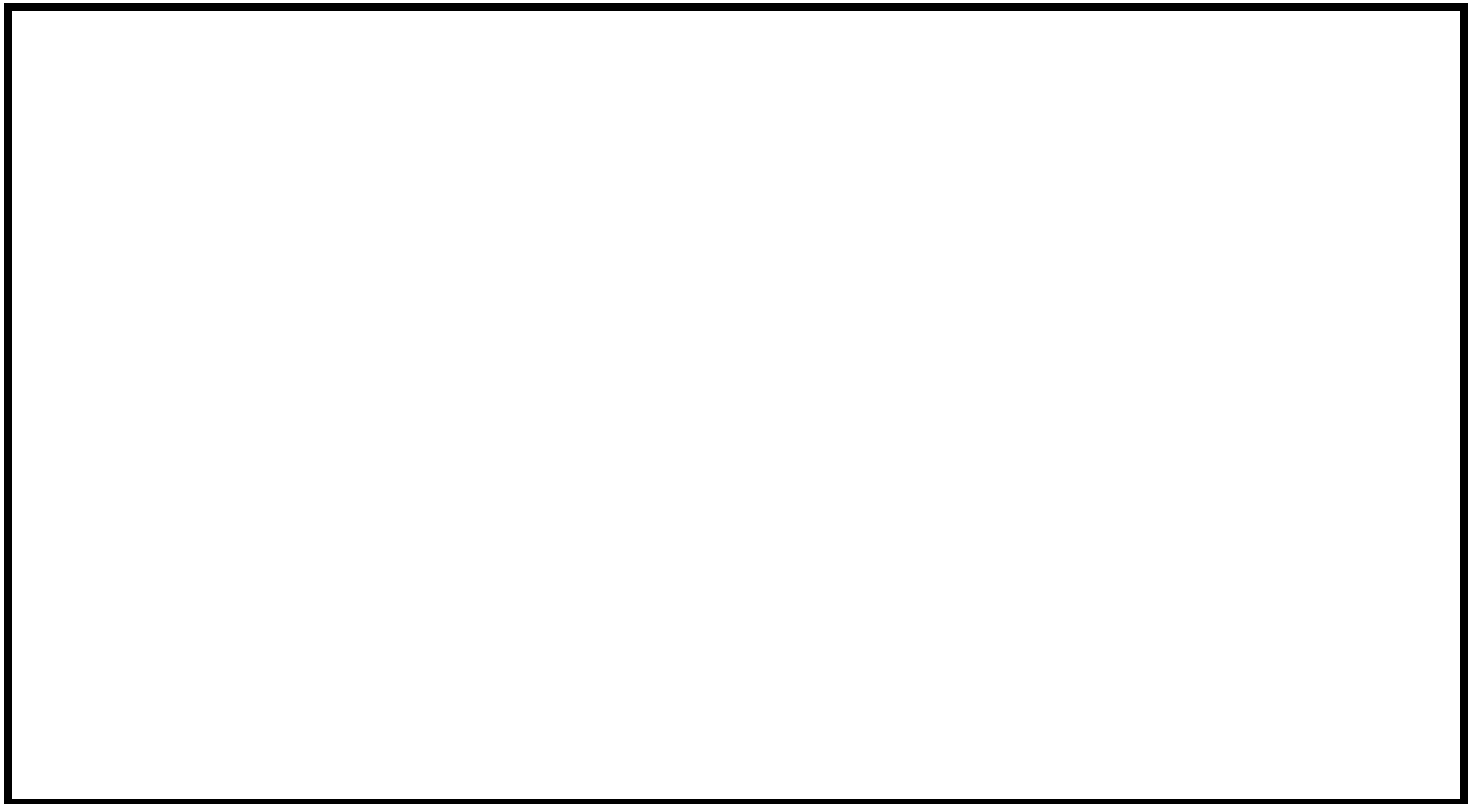
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**Tinley Park American Legion Post 615**

**Still Serving America's Veteran's**

**Check out our Hall Rental**

**Watch for news of all of our Events**

**Current members come on in and meet your comrades and possibly find a new friend or two.**

**Watch for news of our programs, you might find one that interests you,**



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**Calendar**

May 2 Odyssey Golf Outing  
May 3 Post Elections  
May 16 Odyssey Golf Outing  
May 20—22 Carnival  
May 31 Odyssey Golf Outing  
June 4 Div Mini Convention  
July 13-16 State Convention

**TAPS**

Ray Farley Sr  
Jim Priebs (Past Post Cmdr)