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It is the price you paid to be eligible!*

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November-December 2012 **260-347-3550** **Kendallville, Indiana**

Commander's Comments

Comrades & Sisters:

It's hard to believe that the end of the year is fast approaching.

We had a great year for our Post by winning the top national All-American Post Award.

We have two members of our Post that we are helping financially because of health reasons. One member is a Post member and the other is a Ladies Auxiliary member. We will be having a fund raiser for both of these members.

Our Post still needs to keep raising money through fund raisers so that we can stay solvent as a Post. It takes a lot of money to keep our doors open, so when you are asked to help out at the Club, please do so by volunteering.

We have a busy two months coming up at the Club so plan on coming out and enjoying yourself.

Our dues will be coming up soon, so help out by sending in your dues as soon as you can. We are having really good meals at the Post on Wednesday nights so plan on coming out and eating with us. Come out and enjoy your Post. We are very lucky to have this nice of Post.

May God Bless all of you!
Jim McClure
Commander

OFFICERS

Commander **Jim McClure**
Sr. Vice Commander . . . **Doyne Strater**
Jr. Vice Commander . **Tom Mortimore**
Quartermaster **Jim Cook**
Adjutant **Jim Cook**
Chaplain **Ron Coleman**
Judge Advocate. **Ken Ihrrie**
Surgeon. **Jack DeBolt**
Sgt. at Arms **Dennis Nester**
Service Officer **Jan Frazee**
Trustees **Al Countryman**
Jerry Brady, Gary Fisher
House Committee **Ron Coleman**
Louie Slone, Tom Mortimore

Quartermaster's Queries

WOW! We've seen three quarters pass this year and the fall chill is in the air.

So far, this year has seen lots of changes at the Post. Our House Committee keeps the canteen area pleasant and comfortable with the help of Kelly and the service staff. The few problems that crop up are handled quickly without long-term repercussions. **Thanks to Red, Tom and Lewie!**

The facility is in great shape and we're compliant with all aspects of our licensing with the State of Indiana. The Trustees have decided to hold off on the insulation of our current structure. We need to be sure that any money spent to put further insulation on the old roof will result in a significant reduction in our heating and cooling bills. **Great job Al, JB and Sid!**

Our third quarter audit is about to take place and I'm expecting it to be solid, but nothing spectacular.

All you annual members remember we will be having a drawing for a **Life Membership on December 14th.** Everyone is eligible "IF" your dues are paid up before December 1st! We will also have three \$50.00 drawings for our **Life Members.**

I wish everyone a blessed holiday season with family and friends. I'm especially thankful that my grandson, LCpl. Ben Cook, USMC, will be back with us for this Christmas.

Thank you all for supporting our Post.

Jim Cook
Quartermaster



Chaplain's Desk

Remember:

John McIlroy is at Parview Hospital. He can have visitors. Jack DeBolt is recovering at home.

God Bless our Armed Servicemen and women!

Men's Auxiliary News

Hello everyone!

Another year is almost gone, we have seen some great times this past year and more to come. Reminder of the adult Christmas Part, December 14th, bring in a gift for exchange, man for a man and woman for a woman, please try to keep gift at \$10.00. We will eat at 5:00pm. With the Men's Auxiliary providing meat and cheese trays, we just ask that everyone bring a side dish. Gift exchange will be around 6:00pm and entertainment to follow. Come join us for this special time of year as we celebrate our Lord's Birthday.

We are looking into bringing in a dart board so we can have even more things to do around our Post. Remember that we do have the Wii set up for anyone to play.

Dues are coming up quickly so please stop in and pay so that your membership does not stop. We're looking to continue the great progress we have been making to make this your Club.

Thanks to all who made the golf outing a great success once again this year. If you know of a Veteran in need of financial help this year, let us know because we have some of the money from this event to help assist those in need.

Veterans Day is November 11th and gun raffle to follow that day at the VFW at 4:00pm. We still have tickets available to sell or buy, please plan on attending to honor our Veterans.

In closing, everyone have a safe and happy Holiday.

Ed Wade
President

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President.....Ed Wade
Sr. Vice President..... John Hall, Jr.
Jr. Vice President.....Clyde Tackett
Secretary..... OPEN
Chaplain..... Don Dyer
Treasurer.....Denny Rorick
Trustees Joe hernandaz
Steve Leins
Bob Frick



UPCOMING EVENTS

We will be doing poppy sales on November 9th and 10th, so please sign up at the Post to help us out.

Veterans Day will be on Sunday, November 11th at 11:00am at the Post. Our guest speaker will be Gene Cogan from Avilla, who just received the highest French military award that can be received by an allied, but not French, soldier. Gene landed on Normandy beachhead June 6th, 1945. We will be having a meal following the program. We are asking everyone to please bring a covered dish for the meal.

Also on November 11th at 4:00pm, we will have the gun drawing at the Post. If you haven't got your gun tickets yet, be sure to get them.

On December 1st, we will have the kids Christmas Party at the Post from 2:00 to 4:00pm.

Also on December 1st at 6:00pm, we will be going to the New Haven VFW Post to help fill socks for the veterans who are in the VA Hospital for our district project.

On December 7th at 6:00pm, we will have Pearl Harbor Day at the Post. We will eat afterwards so please bring a covered dish to share.

On December 14th at 5:00pm, we will have our adult Christmas Party. Please bring a \$10.00 gift. Please bring finger food to share at 5:00pm. We will eat and have our gift exchange and then at 7:00pm, we will have entertainment ~ Regan and Terry Ford.

VFW Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 1, 2012 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Hotdogs will be served at 2:00pm

For children ages 0-12

Boys Name

Age

Girls Name

Age

Return this form to the Post by Friday, November 23, 2012.

Ladies' Auxiliary News

It has been a busy two months. Our bake sale was another success. Because of this, we were able to make contributions to the VFW National Home, VFW State Veteran's Home and help a fellow member out with her medical expenses. Thanks to Diane Nichter, Gladys Neal, Janet Allen, Judy Flowers and Deb Wallen for volunteering their time for this event.

I would like to thank Flo Glick for standing in at the last minute and helping me with the Wednesday night dinner. She also brought cupcakes which were delicious. Thanks again, Flo.

Janet Allen and Judy Flowers are busy putting clips on poppies for our November Poppy Sales. Watch for their clever idea when you buy your poppy on November 9th and 10th. It's a neat idea. Thanks, guys!

Bonnie Hall and her elves are busy again planning the Children's Christmas Party for December 1st at 2:00pm. Be sure to bring in the coupon from this newsletter by November 23, so we will have some idea how many to plan for.

Annette Hullinger, District Senior Vice President, visited our Post for our Auxiliary inspection on October 11th. She was impressed with the participation of our members. Thanks, Annette, for visiting and thanks everyone else for being great members.

Bonnie Hall, our decorating chairman, needs lots of help for the upcoming holidays. On November 3rd at 1:00pm, she has scheduled decorating for Veteran's Day and November 24th at 1:00pm, she has scheduled decorating for Christmas. Please show up to help.

Don't forget to send a Christmas card to a serviceman when you say that prayer.

*I wish everybody a
Happy Thanksgiving and
a Merry Christmas.*

*Marcia Smith
Ladies Auxiliary President*

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Jr. Vice President *Bonnie Hall*
Secretary *Cecelee Shuck*
Treasurer *Carolyn Mortimore*
Chaplain *Betty DeBolt*
Conductress *Janet Allen*
Guard *Beverly Bryant*
1 Year Trustee *Betty DeBolt*
2 Year Trustee *Grace Ley*
3 Year Trustee *Becky McClure*



Listen-up!!!

It's that time again to get your 2013 dues in before December 1st to be eligible for the Life Membership drawing December 14th. One Life Membership and three-\$50.00 drawings for Life Members will be held.

Also, you must get your dues in before December 1st to be eligible for a Cancer Grant. A cancer grant is a lump sum love gift to a member who has been diagnosed as having cancer. Every member is entitled provided she is a paid up member for at least one

(1) full year, and after one full year of membership. To know more, contact the VFW Ladies Auxiliary or call 816-561-8655. Or you can call me at 260-347-5432.

*Carolyn Mortimore
Treasurer*



This is the recipe for the biscuits that everyone liked at the Post picnic. *Thanks to Eve Hayner!*

Garlic Parmesan Biscuits

Best to use a glass pan. For 8 x 9 dish, use 1 can biscuits. For 9 x 13, 2 cans.

Sprinkle bottom of pan with parmesan grated cheese. Use regular Pillsbury can biscuits, cut each into half. Lay on pan opposite of each other. Melt 1/2 cup butter, or one cup for large pan, and pour over top of biscuits. Sprinkle top of biscuits with parmesan cheese, then sprinkle with garlic powder and parsley flakes. Bake at 355 for 25 minutes or very golden, to give the crunch. You may have butter still in pan. This is good. It will absorb when it comes out.

November

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 CONEY DOGS 11-2
4	5 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	6 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM POST MEETING 6:00 PM	7 TURKEY MANHATTAN DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	8 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS LADIES AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	9 POPPY SALES	10 CONEY DOGS 11-2 POPPY SALES OPEN SAT.
11 VETERANS DAY 11AM & MEAL HAM & BEANS BRING COVERED DISH GUN DRAWING 4PM OPEN SUNDAY	12 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS MEN'S AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	13 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	14 GRILLED CHEESE & 3-SOUP DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	15 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	16	17 CONEY DOGS 11-2
18	19 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	20 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	21 PORK SANDWICHES, CHIPS & APPLESAUCE DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	22 CLOSED THANKSGIVING DAY	23	24 CONEY DOGS 11-2
25 OPEN SUNDAY	26 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	27 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	28 MEAT LOAF & POTATOES DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	29 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	30	

December

2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS					1 CONEY DOGS 11-2 KIDS CHRIST- MAS PARTY 1-4PM FILL SOCKS FOR VETS @ NEW HAVEN POST 6PM DISTRICT OPEN SAT.
2	3 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	4 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM POST MEETING 6:00 PM	5 CHILI & GRILLED CHEESE DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	6 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	7 PROGRAM START AT 6PM EAT AFTERWARDS BRING A DISH PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE	8 GUEST DAY CONEY DOGS 11-2 HONOR GUARD SUPPER AT ROME CITY 5:00 PM
9 OPEN SUNDAY	10 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS MEN'S AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	11	12 BEEF & NOODLES MASHED POTATOES DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	13 EUCHRE 1:- 3:00 PM 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS LADIES AUX MEETING 6:00 PM	14 ADULT CHRIST- MAS PARTY 5PM BRING \$10 GIFT REGAN & TERRY FORD FINGER FOOD	15 CONEY DOGS 11-2
16	17 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS	18	19 BEEF STEW DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	20 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	21	22 CONEY DOGS 11-2 OPEN SAT.
23 OPEN SUNDAY	24 25¢ OFF ALL DRINKS CHRISTMAS EVE CLOSE @ 6PM 31	25 CHRISTMAS DAY	26 NO MEAL DRAWING NIGHT 8:00 PM	27 EUCHRE 1:00 - 3:00 PM	28	29 CONEY DOGS 11-2