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# The American Legion POST 134 NEWS



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**2010 1<sup>st</sup> place winner in the State of Illinois Post Newsletter Contest**

## Commander's Message By: William J. Smith

### Poppy Day

Requests for cans are coming in from the merchants we sent letters to. In addition, people are sending checks and we hope to have around \$1000.00 within a day or two. If you can work a corner or store on Poppy Days or help in the counting room, please let me know. I can be reached at:

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### Gun Range

Repairs have been made to the vent system and we are ready for another test. However, there are still some bills outstanding which need to be paid before we can ask Best Technology to do another test for us.

### Convention

The convention is still some time away; however, in an attempt to come in under the Legion Budget, the following rules will be in effect: Post 134 will only pay for three nights at the convention, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, which are the convention nights, and only for nominated Post 134 delegates and alternates. We will only pay the equivalent of the room rate at the Pierre Marquette Hotel which is the official Convention hotel.

# May, 2011



### AUXILIARY MESSAGE

By: Donna Hedrick  
(847) 965-1774

Thanks to Terry Selzer and all members that helped us achieve our goal on membership. We are at 106%. Many thanks.

Last month, we gave \$1,000 to Hines for the Wheelchair and Golden Ages Games. For North Chicago, we gave \$500 for canteen books for the annual carnival this summer. Also, we gave \$1,000 to Jesse Brown for the Golden Ages Games and \$500 toward the food for their annual luncheon in June.

We will be having our Auxiliary Memorial Service at our May meeting (May 10 at 7 pm in the Community Room). Our members are welcome. Also, we will be nominating officers for the coming year.

Barbara and Victor Anderson will be attending our luncheon at Hines for their service this year. Esther, Tom and I had bingo at Jesse Brown last month.

If anyone is interested in participating in Poppy Days, please call me. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

### PREMIER BOYS STATE

***If you have any questions about Boys State  
you can contact PC John Slater at  
(847) 494-7343.***

## UNPAID MEMBERS

|                          |                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Abarca, Belinda          | Bensenville, IL    |
| Acosta, Gary             | Chicago            |
| Adams, David             | Melrose Park       |
| Aguilar, Lina            | River Grove        |
| Barton, Ran              | Des Plaines        |
| Beiser, Eldon            | Palatine           |
| Bergquist, B.E.          | Cheswick, PA       |
| Brown, Timothy           | Riverdale          |
| Bruno, Santo             | Niles              |
| Calderon, Rafael         | Elmwood Park       |
| Carlson, George          | Wheeling           |
| Chase, Richard           | Morton Grove       |
| Cheung, Daniel           | Gorham, ME         |
| Childs, James            | Jacksonville, FL   |
| Cole, G. B.              | Niles              |
| Czapar,, Michael         | Niles              |
| Donsky, Perry            | Morton Grove       |
| Doran, Mark              | Evanston           |
| Eastle, Adrian           | Harvey             |
| Epperson, Richard        | Fort Branch, IN    |
| Fernandez, Lin           | Morton Grove       |
| Foster, Jay              | Skokie             |
| Garris, Matthew          | Savannah, GA       |
| Gatz, James              | Glenview           |
| Geymer, Homer            | Morton Grove       |
| Gielo, William           | Morton Grove       |
| Hall Weathersby, Loretta | Pembroke Pines, FL |
| Harris, Joel             | Chicago            |
| Hoffman, Shawn           | Niles              |
| Hogan, Agnes             | Romeoville         |
| Huska, Paul              | Niles              |
| Johnson, Randall         | Portage, IN        |
| Kaminski, Mitchell       | Niles              |
| Krautstrunk, Vernon      | Vernon Hills       |
| Larracas, Michael        | Morton Grove       |
| Lee, Jeffrey             | South Elgin        |
| Lexau, John              | Des Plaines        |
| Linke, Robert            | Morton Grove       |
| Loper, Michael           | Chicago            |
| Mathis, James            | Morton Grove       |
| McDowell, John           | Skokie             |
| McIntosh, Raymond        | St. Claire, MI     |
| Nielson, Donald          | Chicago            |
| Olsen, Robert            | Crystal Lake       |
| Ortiz, Manuel            | Northbrook         |
| Reiss, Lester            | Skokie             |
| Renik, Jerry             | Park Ridge         |
| Schafer, Leon            | Gurnee             |
| Schwarz, Theodore        | McHenry            |
| Shreffler, Douglas       | Northfield         |
| Skowronski, Dennis       | Chicago            |
| Summerville, Lewis       | Jacksonville, NC   |
| Swanson, Robert          | Wheeling           |
| Tate, Larisa             | Morton Grove       |
| Tate, Tychera            | Morton Grove       |
| Thompson, Walter         | Evanston           |
| Walker, Brian            | Skokie             |
| Wilkinson, Steven        | Chicago            |
| Williams, Benny          | Chicago            |
| Yangas, Paul             | Benton, AR         |
| Zenner, Raymond          | Barrington         |

# Events Calendar



CLUB 134 LOUNGE is open Monday thru Friday  
3:30 pm to 8:00 pm and on  
Sundays 12:30 to 5:00 pm.



## May, 2011

|                             |  |          |
|-----------------------------|--|----------|
| MAY 7                       | Kentucky Derby @ 42  | 3:30 pm  |
| MAY 9                       | Corporation Meeting  | 7:30 pm  |
| MAY 10                      | Auxiliary Mem. Serv & Mtg                                  | 7:00 pm  |
| MAY 12                      | Rifle Squad Elections                                      | 7:30 pm  |
| MAY 18                      | 7 <sup>th</sup> Dist. Election &<br>Post Everlasting @ 134 | 7:00 pm  |
| <b>MAY 19-21 POPPY DAYS</b> |  |          |
| May 21                      | Armed Forces Dinner  | 6:00 pm  |
| MAY 22                      | SAL Elections  | 12:00 pm |
| MAY 23                      | Executive Board Meeting                                    | 7:30 pm  |
| MAY 26                      | Post Mtg., Elections                                       | 7:30 pm  |
| May 27                      | Burn Your Own Steak  | 4:30 pm  |
| MAY 29                      | Memorial Day Parade  | 12:30 pm |

## June 2011

|            |                                     |         |
|------------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| June 4     | 1 <sup>st</sup> Division Convention | 8:30 am |
| June 6     | Budget Meeting                      | 7:00 pm |
| June 9     | Rifle Squad Meeting                 | 7:30 pm |
| June 11-17 | Boys State                          |         |
| June 13    | Corporation Meeting                 | 7:30 pm |
| June 14    | US Army birthday                    |         |
| June 15    | 7 <sup>th</sup> Dist. @ 46          | 7:00 pm |
| June 18    | Rifle Squad Dinner                  |         |
| June 20    | Executive Board Meeting             | 7:30 pm |
| June 19-24 | Girls State                         |         |
| June 23    | Post Meeting                        | 7:30 pm |
| June 24    | Burn Your Own Steak                 | 4:30 pm |
| June 28    | Concert in the Park                 |         |

## SAL Elections, 2011

The SAL Elections will be held on Sunday, May 22, 2011 at noon.

## POST 134 April Executive Meeting News

### **Financial Report**

Moved and accepted and amended to change Morton Grove Days from \$2000 to \$1000.

PC Joe Hedrick

### **Minutes**

Approved as written.

PC Joe Hedrick

### **Commander**

We will be sending 10 post members to the Armed Forces Day dinner. Range key missing from the fireman's lock box will be replaced. Test of the gun range in about 2 weeks for a retry after fixing holes ourselves. Some businesses are asking for Poppy cans. We are always looking for volunteers both inside and on the street. The furnace bill for \$840 will need further discussion with the village.

Bill Smith

### **Sr Vice Commander**

Membership is at 684. Only 82.11%. 149 new and renewals by the end of May. Thanks to everyone that helped with the public initiation. Not too many attended but it was a good event.

Matt Ingram

### **Adjutant**

Received \$50 from Glenview School District 34 in memory of Al Abuja; his daughter works there. Holding some requests for funds until new business. Our Legion baseball team is holding a fundraiser with the Chicago Cubs, May 14 at 6:10 pm. Tickets are \$30 and available while they last. Read a letter from PC Ken Fligelman complaining because the rifle squad did not stand for a close friend although requested.

PC Joe Hedrick

### **Village Liaison**

Some discussion on the position since the Corporation President decided to have a different person than the post.

PC Joe Hedrick

### **Corp President**

Fund balance will be given Thursday. Stock market is doing very well. New liquor license is done and on the wall. They will be spot checking to see that anyone serving liquor is Bassett trained.

PC Ron Daum

### **Service Officer**

Sympathy card and check to family of Rickard Hohs. Sick list includes John Perkowitz, Leo Mederin, Phil Hutchins, and Ron Daum.

PC Don Stotz

### **Chaplin**

Unable to go to the Hohs wake. Job done by the assistant Chaplin Don Stotz

PC Phil Hutchins

### **Community Service**

Jacket raffled at the last meeting. We will be serving free lunch at the Senior Center March 29. The commander will be there to greet everyone who attends.

PC Phil Hutchins

### **Poppy Days**

Starting to receive donations from the mailing to the Chamber and members.

Bill Smith

### **SAL**

Have not received any correspondence or calls from the SAL.

Bill Smith

### **Veterans Affairs**

Further information later.

Bill Smith

### **Auxiliary**

Membership stands at 106%. We donated \$1000 to Hines and \$1600 to Jesse Brown for Golden Age and Wheelchair Games. Also \$500 to North Chicago canteen books for the annual carnival.

Donna Hedrick

### **Morton Grove Days**

Over 500 children at the Eggstravaganza.

PC Jerry Weaver

### **Parliamentarian**

Glad to answer questions on the pamphlet handed out at the last meeting.

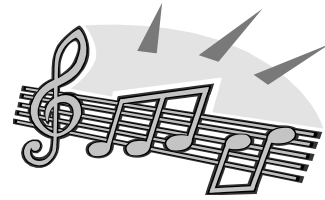
Lee Tamraz

### **Americanism**

2 boys for Boys State and we're seeking more. Provided 8 Girl Scout Bronze awards at Golf School. Flags at half staff for 6 days for Richard Hohs. Scout Good Citizenship awarded to Benjamin Kornstein, Troop 228, at the main hall. Two large bag of flags delivered for cremation. Donating \$1000 to the Northwest Suburban Boy Scout Council.

### **New Business**

Motion made and passed for 2 honor flights with a cost of no more than \$1000. Motion made and passed to purchase \$100 for the 7<sup>th</sup> District 50/50 drawing. Decided to buy \$35 drawing tickets for the SAL drawing to aid the Gifts to the Yanks Fund.



**American Legion, Post 134,  
will sponsor  
Concert in the Park**

**Tuesday, June 28, 2011, 7:00 pm  
Harrer Park Pavilion (north end)  
6250 Dempster St., Morton Grove**

Entertainment will be the New Invaders, and Post 134 will serve Italian beef, Kosher franks, chips and Pepsi products. It'll be fun; support your post by attending.

### **"BURN YOUR OWN STEAK"**



**Friday, May 27, 2011  
\$10.00 a person  
4:30 pm**

Nice weather is slowly returning, and we will barbeque steaks again, once a month. Everyone who attends loves the food, so join us. All steaks will be marinated 12 ozs or more with a baked potato and corn on the cob. You must call for reservations so we'll have enough steaks. RSVP with Ken or Cheryl at (847) 663-0539 by Tuesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN**



HERBERT ANDERSON, 26 year member, passed away Sept. 24, 2010.

RICHARD HOHS, 65 year member, passed away April 13, 2011.

