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# The American Legion POST 134 NEWS



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## Commander's Message

By: William J. Smith

Here's my message: To all my Legion Friends, I can't say the last year hasn't been exciting. Unfortunately I didn't accomplish most of what I set out to do; maybe it was just "a bridge too far". Anyway, I thank all of you for your support and especially the few who helped me through the difficult times. My successor is a great guy and has the potential to be the best Commander this post has ever had or at least the best of the 35 I've served under. Every Commander needs support. Let's all come together and give Mathew what he deserves.

# July, 2011



## AUXILIARY MESSAGE

By: Donna Hedrick

(847) 965-1774

We had our last meeting until September. We gave \$200 to Support our Troops. For the year, we gave over \$6,500 to the veterans. This money was used for Bingo at Jesse Brown, visits to Hines, donations to the Golden Ages Games, Wheelchair games, valentine gifts to women's veterans at North Chicago, Canteen books for North Chicago, USO, and Gifts to the Yanks. In August, we will have a budget meeting. I hope that everyone has a wonderful summer. See you in the fall.

## "BURN YOUR OWN STEAK"



Friday, July 29, 2011

\$10.00 a person

4:30 pm

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 Wednesday, July 27, 2011.

For those of you who love to plan ahead, the future "Burn Your Own Steaks" will be:

Friday, August 19, 2011

Friday, September 23, 2011

Back by popular demand is the OCTOBERFEST, Saturday, October 15, 2011.



The new Rifle Squad Officers  
for 2011-2012 are:

Don Stotz

Ed Kelb

Joe Piento

Jerry Weaver

Kurt Lepinski

Commander

Sr. Vice

Treasurer

Secretary

Armorer

# The Chaplain's Corner

I have a prayer request today - I've just learned about the "Darkhorse" 3rd Battalion 5th Marines who were fighting it out in Afghanistan and just recently lost 12 of their Marines in 4 days. All young men - their names and ages are -

Justin Allen, 23	Brett Linley, 29
Matthew Weikert, 29	Chase Stanley, 21
Justus Bartertt, 27	Dave Santos, 21
Jesse Reed, 26	Matthew Johnson, 21
Zachary Fisher 24	Brandon King, 23
Christopher Goeke, 23	Sheldon Tate, 27

These were all Marines who gave their lives for YOU, so now let's honor THEM and their families. Keep them in your prayers along with all of our troops and the many MIAs and POWs who are still unaccounted for.

We must all continue praying for WORLD PEACE so that this unnecessary sacrifice of our young people comes to a stop soon.

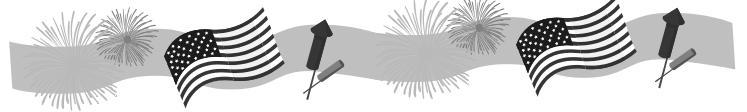
Yours in prayer,  
Chaplain Phil



**Post 134 Annual Picnic**  
**Sunday, August 7, 2011**  
**1:00 pm to 4:00 pm**

Come and join us for our Annual Post 134 Picnic. We will be serving hamburgers, hot dogs and soda. We have a DJ, Paul, from North Shore Productions and the Annual 50/50 Raffle Drawing at 3:00 pm. If you have your own chairs, bring them. We are asking every family to bring at least one side dish.

# 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.

## July, 2011

July 11	Corporation Meeting	7:30 pm
July 13-16	Department Convention	
July 14	Rifle Squad Meeting	7:30 pm
July 25	Executive Board	7:30 pm
July 28	Post Meeting	7:30 pm
July 29	Burn Your Own Steak	4:30 pm
July 30	7 <sup>th</sup> District Installation	3:00 pm

## August, 2011

Aug 7	Annual Post 134 Picnic	1:00 pm
Aug 8	Corporation Meeting	7:30 pm
Aug 22	Executive Board Meeting	7:30 pm
Aug 25	Post 134 Meeting	7:30 pm
Aug 19	Burn Your Own Steak	4:30 pm

**SAL Golf Outing**  
**Saturday, July 16, 2011**  
**11 am start**  
**TAM Golf Course (9 holes)**  
**\$50.00 per person**

Space is limited, reserve your spot by July 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Contact: Marty Durkin at (847) 571-4227 or  
Dave (Wally) Welter at (847) 456-3531.

**7<sup>th</sup> District**  
**Past Commander's Club**

**American Legion, Post 134**  
**6144 Dempster St., Morton Grove, IL**

**Saturday, July 9, 2011**  
**1:00 pm**

**Come join the Past Commander's Club for a  
barbeque. We will have free hamburgers,  
cheeseburgers, hot dogs and chips.**

## **POST 134 June Executive Meeting Minutes**

Senior Vice Commander Mat Ingram called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Salute the colors. Opening prayer. Pledge. Roll Call – Historian, Americanism, Corporation President missing.

**Minutes** By: PC Joe Hedrick

Approved as written.

**Financial Report** By: PC Joe Hedrick

Moved and accepted subject to audit.

**Commander** By: Bill Smith

Does not understand the Gun Club Youth Program. Thanked Cheryl Cubine and PC Joe Hedrick for their help during the year, wished he had more help during the year. After discussion, agreed to buy Microsoft 2010 for no more than \$60 from Office Supplies.

**Sr. Vice Commander** By: Mat Ingram

Membership is the same, will give a report at the general meeting.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander** By: Kurt Lepinski

Reported the new 1<sup>st</sup> Jr. Vice has secured the disc jockey for the picnic, menu will be the same.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander** By: Ray Arias

Chicken will be served.

**Adjutant** By: PC Joe Hedrick

Need information on new officers for the Department report.

**Village Liaison**

No report

**Public Relations**

No report

**Children and Youth** By: Joe Gesicki

Presented award from Boys Town and donated \$35 to Children's Memorial Hospital.

**Corp President**

No report.

**Service Officer** By: PC Don Stotz

Joe Bartusiak and Raymond Langdon passed away. Leo Madera sick again in hospital. Thank you note from the Raferty family. Rumor that PC Frank Mayer has passed, have not verified.

**Awards**

No report

**Chaplin** By: PC Phil Hutchins

Announced he will be preaching on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in February, subject will be the Four Chaplins.

**Community Service** By: PC Phil Hutchins

Will serve the seniors lunch Friday.

**Sgt at Arms**

No report

**Poppy Day** By: Bill Smith

Preliminary report of receipts is \$10,513.89.

**SAL** By: Bill Smith  
Sr Vice attended the meeting Sunday and will be the new liaison.

**Veterans Affairs** By: Bill Smith  
Further information later.

**Editor**

No report

**Auxiliary**

Report presented because the chairman decided auxiliary is not part of the board. Report: Participated in the Memorial Day Ceremony and conducted our Service and placed Wreath at the Doughboy statue. Gave \$200 to Operation Support Our Troops. Honored Barbara Anderson for her years of service at Hines. Gave a breakdown of service to the veteran donations totaling \$6618 for the year. Report will be read at the general meeting.

**Rifle Squad**

No report

**Americanism**

No report

**Historian**

No report.

**Morton Grove Days** By: PC Jerry Weaver

Delivered the check for fireworks. Concert in the park is June 28.

**Parliamentarian** By: Lee Tamraz

No report.

**Old Business**

No report.

**New Business**

Reviewed the budget proposed by the budget committee. Several objections were made by Commander Smith. After some discussion, the Commander became belligerent and was asked to leave by the chairman. Budget was passed as presented and will be read at the general meeting for their approval.

**Good of the Legion**

No report.

Closing prayer. Adjourned at 9:05 pm

## **GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN**

JOSEPH BARTUSIAK , 10 year member, passed away May 27, 2011. Wake was out of state in Nebraska.

RAYMOND LANDON, 50 year member, passed away in June, 2011.

