



Post 134

"Still Serving America"

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Commander's Message By: Mathew Ingram

Legionnaires,

At the January meeting, the floor approved by a 2/3 vote the proposed addition to the by-laws in regards to Post election procedures. Many thanks to PC Jerry Weaver, PC David Lee, and Casey Bachara for all of their hard work getting it done. February is our Corporation Board elections: the new by-law changes DO NOT pertain to the Corporation voting procedures as the Corporation has its own by-laws. If you are interested in running for a position on the Corporation Board, I encourage you to contact the current Corporation President Ron Daum to see how you can provide value to Post 134. Being on the Corporation Board is a good way to get involved in the business side of our Legion Post. When you show up to vote in the Corporation election, be sure to wear your Legion cap and that your membership dues are current; otherwise you will not be allowed to vote.

The Sons of the American Legion will host their Winter Horseshoe Tournament on Saturday, February 25th. Sign in starts at 11 am, and the tourney starts at noon. You will receive a registration discount by wearing your Legion Cap. Let's show up and support the SAL.

We're still in mid-winter, but it's never too early to start thinking about Poppy Day collecting. If you would like to help out in collecting this year, please contact PC Trumbull.

Stay safe,
Commander Ingram

February, 2012



SUPER BOWL XLVI

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2012
5:00 PM

Post 134 Rifle Squad is having their yearly fundraiser Super Bowl Party in Club 134. Come out and watch the game and support the Rifle Squad for all the great things they do for the Post. There will be dinner available for everyone who participated in the fundraiser or \$15.00 a person for those who did not. 50/50 drawing will be at our next Post meeting in February.

Congrats to Joseph Piento, 7th District Commander



Commander Piento came in 1st Place in meeting the Department of Illinois target date for Membership 2012.

Italian Night



Friday, February 17, 2012

5:30 pm

\$7.00 a person

Our next social night hosts will be PC Jan Lepinski and Kurt Lepinski. They will be serving pasta, meatballs, salad, bread and dessert.

You must RSVP to Jan by Monday, February 13, 2012 at (847) 470-0914.



St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Marcy 16, 2012

\$10.00 a person

5:00 pm

Come out and celebrate St. Patrick's Day by eating corn beef and cabbage with friends. Please call Cheryl (847) 663-0539 to RSVP by Tuesday, March 13, 2012.

"The Legionnaire of the Year Dinner"

Honoring
Michael Carder

Sunday, February 19, 2012
American Legion, Post 134, Morton Grove

Donation is \$25.00 a person
Corn beef and cabbage

Cocktails: 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm Dinner: 5:15 pm

For further info contact Bill Bickley (847) 803-8299.

Events Calendar



**CLUB 134 LOUNGE is open Monday thru Friday
3:30 pm to 8:00 pm and Sunday, Noon to 4:00 pm.**

February, 2012

Feb 1	7 th Dist. Auxiliary 1 st Division @ 1941	7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Feb 5	SUPER BOWL PARTY	5:00 pm
Feb 9	Rifle Squad meeting	7:30 pm
Feb 10	90% Membership target	
Feb 12	Lincoln Pilgrimage	
Feb 13	Corporation meeting	7:30 pm
Feb 14	134 Auxiliary meeting	7:00 pm
Feb 15	7 th Dist. 108 @ 42	7:00 pm
Feb 19	Legionnaire of the Year	5:00 pm
Feb 20	Executive Board meeting	7:30 pm
Feb 23	Post 134 meeting	7:00 pm
Feb 26-29	Washington Conference	

March, 2012

Mar 3	Dept. Oratorical, Springfield	
Mar 7	7 th Dist. Aux. meeting	7:30 pm
Mar 8	Rifle Squad meeting	7:30 pm
Mar 10	4 Chaplains	5:00 pm
Mar 12	Corporation meeting	7:30 pm
Mar 13	134 Auxiliary meeting	7:00 pm
Mar 15	American Legion birthday	
Mar 16	St. Patrick's Day dinner	5:00 pm
Mar 19	Executive Board meeting	7:30 pm
Mar 21	7 th Dist. @ 1226	7:00 pm
Mar 22	134 meeting	7:30 pm

Sailor's Thanksgiving

Thanks to all of you who made this day a big success. The 5th annual Thanksgiving with the Navy Recruits was another great event that Post 134 can be proud of. It seems to get better each year. The Navy Recruits really had a great time. Our thanks to all who helped to make this a day to remember for them. Thanks to all the volunteers from the Legion, SAL, Auxiliary, and friends & residents who worked, donated goodies, or just stopped by sometime that day to say hello. You all know who you are.

The Navy Recruit Thanksgiving Day Committee

POST 134 Minutes from Jan 23, 2012 Meeting

Copies of minutes handed out. Change Executive Board minutes in the newsletter to the unapproved minutes of the current month's minutes.

Financial Report by: PC Joe Hedrick

Finance Report approved subject to audit. Need \$250.00 voucher from Commander Ingram for 7th District Veteran's Affairs. Need \$250.00 for 7th District Care Packages which will come from Poppy Day funds.

Commander by: Mathew Ingram

Thanks to everyone who participated in the New Year's Eve party. List of First Division Delegates/Alternates are as follows. Delegates are Mathew Ingram, Joe Lampert, Kurt Lepinski, Ray Ariaz, PC Joe Hedrick, PC Don Stotz, PC Jerry Weaver. Alternates are PC David Lee, Casey Bachara, Wally Zawisza, PC Jan Lepinski, PC Mel Baity, Jac Charlie and David Van Gerreway.

SAL by: Mathew Ingram

SAL's next meeting is Sunday, February 19, 2012, 11:00 am. The next Horseshoe Tournament will be on February 25, 2012, 11:00 am sign up and Noon start up time. Price for tournament will be decided at the meeting on 2/19/12. SAL is now bartending in Club 134 on Fridays.

Sr. Vice Commander by: Kurt Lepinski

Membership is currently 101.16%.

Jr. Vice Commander by: Joe Lampert

New Year's Eve party went off well. The food was from Kappy's Restaurant, and it was wonderful. Everyone had plenty of food and those who attended and supported the Post had a good time. 50/50 raffle went well. Coming up is the St. Patrick's Day party on Friday, March 16, 2012, \$10.00 a person at 5:00 pm. Corn beef, cabbage and potatoes will be served.

2nd Jr. Vice Commander by: Ray Ariaz

Chicken and roasted potatoes from Nano's were served at the Post meeting.

Adjutant by: PC Ken Trumbull

Having trouble with the microphone in the main hall. Will discuss buying a cordless microphone for meetings at next Corporation meeting.

Poppy Day by: PC Ken Trumbull

Received new updated plaques for Poppy Day. Will make sure they are hung. Will apply for license to solicit in Niles and Morton Grove for 2012 Poppy Days. Pls. see PC Ken Trumbull if you want to volunteer for Poppy Days.

Corporation by: PC Ron Daum

Corporation Meeting will have elections in February, 2012. There will be 4 new openings. Friday Social Night had 43 people in spite of the horrible snow storm we had. Ron thanked everyone who came out in the snow. Reminder, Club Room 134 can be rented for free to legion members. You have to use our bar to get the Club Room for free. Talk to PC Joe Hedrick for rentals. Club Room is open 3:30 - 8:00 pm Monday thru Friday and Sunday, noon to 4:00 pm.

Children & Youth by: PC Joe Piento

Received baseball hats to be distributed to local hospitals.

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Service Officer by: PC Don Stotz
Joe Brown fell off a ladder and had some stitches in his head. Joe was at the meeting, and he's doing better.

Awards by: PC Don Stotz

Will be accepting resumes for Life Membership. Please submit a resume, listing accomplishments and offices held. The award will be given out at the Post meeting in May. Please submit resumes to PC Don Stotz.

Community Service by: PC Joe Hedrick
Sent \$200.00 for Fischer House at Hines and 50.00 to March of Dimes.

Public Relations by: PC Joe Hedrick
There was a meeting with the Village to discuss the Gun Range. Acting Commissioner needed more time to evaluate testing in the range

Gun Range by: PC Bill Smith

There was a meeting to discuss the Gun Range. Still working on the air flow which needs tweaking. The Range is open now for bb guns and air guns. Fire Department wants better air flow. Guy from NASA will come in to help with air flow. Passed the lead test.

Americanism by: PC John Slater
No report.

Thanksgiving Day Committee by: Casey Bachara
Casey has updated and turned in his final costs for the Thanksgiving Day. All the families loved the DVD's and Certifications were sent out. Casey has received donations for the event. Will look into Skype services next year for the recruits.

Old Business
Voting on Post by-laws tonight. By-laws were approved as written. Motion passes. By-laws Committee to review current laws to see if there needs to be any more changes or updates.

Correspondence
We received 2 thank you letters for the Thanksgiving Day Committee. The thanks were for the CD's that were sent out to the families of the recruits. One family donated \$25.00 to the committee.

New Business
Casey Bachara mentioned that the Commander in Des Plaines and his wife were in an article in the Tribune today. Apparently the Commander killed himself and his wife.

Pot of Gold
Jeffrey Lee's name was called for the Pot of Gold. Jeffrey was not at the meeting so 2nd Jr. Vice, Ray Ariaz won the consolation prize of \$21.00. Congrats, Ray!

Meeting ended at 8:35 pm