



Post 134

"Still Serving America"

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Commander's Message Kurt Lepinski



Fellow Legionnaires,

Our annual St Patrick's Day Dinner is March 15th. Come on out for Corned Beef and Cabbage.

Eggstravaganza will be March 29th. See Jerry Weaver for details.

The Post 134 elections will be held in May at the Post meeting. You must have your American Legion cap and be a member in good standing to be eligible to vote. This means you must have paid your dues for the 2013 membership year. If you are thinking about running for one of the elected positions, now is the time to start letting people know. Normally the names of the candidates are published in the newsletter 2 months prior to the election. The current candidates are:

Candidate for Commander: Joe Lampert

Candidate for Sr. Vice Commander: Ray Ariaz

Candidate for Jr. Vice: Shawn Hoffmann

Candidate for Finance Officer: PC Joe Hedrick

Per the By-Laws, any post member in good standing is allowed to run for these offices. A nomination for the person running for office must be made from the floor on election night.

If you would like to volunteer as a bartender, please contact Corporation Board Bar Chairman Joe Lampert. Joe has information on the Basset training required before you may bartend.

Kurt Lepinski
Post 134 Commander



March, 2013

Auxiliary Message Lynne Weaver



In the month of February the Auxiliary had their 1st meeting of the New Year. We had many letters of thanks for our donations during the Christmas Holidays in the community. One letter in particular came from the Morton Grove Firemen's Holiday fund thanking us for our generous donation.

I will be attending the 7th District Auxiliary meeting on March 6th at the Evanston Post with my representatives. Last District meeting Bonnie Sheirok and myself took 23 ditty bags that we made and donated to the veterans for their wheelchairs. The ditty bags will be going to Hines Hospital.

Bonnie Sheirok, Donna Hedrick and I also made up 5 Valentine's bags for North Chicago's female patients, and the day before Valentine's Day Bonnie Sheirok and myself, drove down to Jessie Brown with 10 Valentine's bags for the female patients.

This past month, Donna Hedrick, Bonnie Sheirok, Tom Stockenberg and myself attended Jessie Brown to play Bingo with the veterans. We gave out money for games won, canteen books for Birthdays and long sleeved sweatshirts and flannel shirts for the raffle. We also had Outdoor Magazines to distribute. We had 46 men in attendance, which is the largest group we have ever had.

Donna Hedrick, Bonnie Sheirok and I will be attending Patriotic Conference on March 14 and 15 in Bloomington, Illinois to see what activities the other Units are doing for our Veterans.

We are now collecting dues for the year 2012-2013. Any Ladies Auxiliary members out there who have not paid their dues, would you please do so as soon as possible.

This is all for now, have a great St Patrick's Day and Easter.



St. Patrick's Day Dinner
March 15, 2013
\$12.00 a person
5:30 pm Upstairs Annex

Come out and celebrate St. Patrick's Day. We will serve corn beef, cabbage, red potatoes, apple pie and free green beer. Please call Cheryl on (847) 663-0539 to RSVP by Tuesday, March 12, 2013.



ITALIAN SOCIAL NIGHT
April 19, 2013
5:30 pm in the Upstairs Annex
\$9.00 a person

The menu for Social Night in April will be mostaccioli, Italian sausage, salad, bread and dessert. Please RSVP to Ron Daum at (773) 625-2898 by Tuesday, April 16, 2013.



Sponsors for Active Duty Military Personnel

We are looking for people who are interested in sponsoring an active duty service person for a one year membership to Post 134. This costs \$25.00. This is one way we get new recruits interested and aware of the American Legion. If you know an active duty service person that is in the 7th District who is interested, get in touch with one of the Post 134 Officers. We will also consider active duty service people outside of the 7th District. If interested please contact Joe Lampert, Sr. Vice or PC Ken Trumbull the Adjutant.

Events Calendar



CLUB 134 LOUNGE is open Monday thru Friday
3:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

March, 2013

Mar 2	Dept. Oratorical, Peoria	9:00 am
Mar 5	Sea Bee Birthday	
Mar 6	7 th Dist. Aux. meeting	7:30 pm
Mar 11	Corporation meeting	7:30 pm
Mar 12	Unit 134 Auxiliary meeting	7:00 pm
Mar 14	Rifle Squad meeting	7:30 pm
Mar 15	St. Pat's Dinner (annex)	5:30 pm
Mar 20	7 th District @ 134	7:00 pm
Mar 25	Executive Board meeting	7:30 pm
Mar 28	Post 134 meeting	7:30 pm
Mar 29	Village of MG Eggstravaganza	
Mar 31	Easter	

April, 2013

Apr 3	7 th District Auxiliary (all units)	7:30 pm
Apr 8	Corporation meeting	7:30 pm
Apr 9	Unit 134 Auxiliary meeting	7:30 pm
Apr 11	Rifle Squad meeting	7:30 pm
Apr 17	7 th District @ 42	7:00 pm
Apr 19	Social Night (annex)	5:30 pm
Apr 22	Executive Board meeting	7:30 pm
Apr 25	Post 134 meeting	7:30 pm

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Paul Wolf has gone to Post Everlasting and Ralph Kolasinski, 34 year post member, passed away on February 10, 2013 in Fort Meyers, Florida.

Post 134 Executive Board Minutes, February 25, 2013

Minutes were passed out to everyone. Motion made to suspend the reading of the minutes. Executive Board minutes in January stated that PC Lepinski already made out voucher to Special Olympics. PC Lepinski must first check with Department to see how check has to be made out. Donation will be \$300.00.

Finance Officer, PC Joe Hedrick

Report was read, approved, subject to audit. Audit committee will meet after the Post meeting to decide on date of audit.

Commander, Kurt Lepinski

Kurt read Joe Brown's letter of resignation as Senior and Junior Marksmanship Chairman because of his health. There are two experienced post members; John Madejczyk and Anthony Tomas who will be ready to take over. Joe will work with them during the transition period. Joe Brown has held this position since 1969. Two chairs are going to be consolidated: Thanksgiving and Veteran's Affairs & Rehabilitation.

Sr. Vice Commander, Joseph Lampert

Membership as of February 25, 2013 is 688 members and that puts us at 93.1%. Goal for the year is 739. We need 50 more members to make 100%. Bassett training for bartenders will be on March 11, 2013 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, April 25, 2013 at 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm and June 27, 2013 from 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm. If you are interested in being a bartender, you will have to take the Bassett training. Please notify Sr. Vice Joe Lampert at (847) 417-8672, if you are interested.

Jr. Vice Commander, Ray Ariaz

Ray is preparing for the St. Patrick's dinner on March 15, 2013.

2nd Jr. Vice Commander, Shawn Hoffmann

We will serve chili at the Post meeting.

Americanism, Jac Charlier

Absent, no report.

Auxiliary, Lynne Weaver

Absent, report in Auxiliary message.

Awards, PC Don Stotz

Received one resume for the Honorary Life Membership. Please turn in your resumes to PC Don Stotz.

Children & Youth, Lepinski

PC Lepinski must first check with Department to see how the check for Special Olympics has to be made out. Donation will be \$300.00.

Corporation President, PC Ken Trumbull

SAL tax papers need to be turned into the accountant before the Horseshoe Tournament. Corporation Election will be this Thursday, February 28, 2013 and as of now no absentee ballots have been turned in. All absentee ballots must be turned in 10 days prior to election. There are 3-3 year positions and 1-2 year positions open. You must be wearing your Legion cap and be a Post member in good standing in order to cast a vote. Post meeting will be interrupted for election.

Parade Chairman, PC David Lee

Absent, no report.

Park District, PC Jerry Weaver

Eggstravaganza with the Village of Morton Grove will be on Friday March 29, 2013. Anyone interested in volunteering, call PC Jerry Weaver, (847) 673-3914. Motion was made with a second to be a sponsor for one of the Concerts in the Park for Legion year 2013-2014. Jerry thanked everyone who attended the Legionnaire of the Year.

Poppy Day, PC Ken Trumbull

No report.

Rifle Squad Commander, Ed Kilb

Absent, no report.

SAL Advisor, read by Kurt Lepinski

The Horseshoe Tournament will be on Saturday, March 2, 2013. SAL will turn in tax info to the accountant on Saturday, March 2, 2013

Service Officer, PC Don Stotz

Paul Wolf and Ralph Kolasinski passed to Post Everlasting. Leo Madura, an 8 year post member, and Ronald Halick, a 10 year member, were both in Lutheran General Hospital.

VA&R, PC Ken Trumbull

2 new POW flags are being ordered for Inland and MB Financial banks.

Village Liaison, PC Joe Hedrick

Gun Range filed for contractor's permit and paid for the deposit. They met with inspector for a visual tour. The permit will be forthcoming soon. One of the gaming machines jammed this weekend, but they came in to fix it on Sunday. The service guy is going to replace the coin reader. Fire Dept. will check out machines on Tuesday, 11:00 am. Kurt Lepinski will be there when they arrive.



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