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733 NEWS



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THE AMERICAN LEGION

BETTSVILLE, OHIO

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JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2012

2011-2012 POST OFFICERS

Commander ----- Dave Doster
 1st Vice Comdr. ----- Mike Lauterbur
 2nd Vice Comdr. ----- Jim Nusser
 Adjutant ----- Skip Craun
 Finance Officer ----- Rich Zbiegien
 Service Officer ----- Rex Mellott
 Chaplain ----- Gary Harrison
 Sgt.-at-Arms ----- Jim Wohlgamuth
 Judge Advocate ----- Skip Craun
 Historian -
 Executive Committee -
 1 yr - Jim Wohlgamuth
 2 yr - Jared Martin
 3 yr - Bob Chapman

Meetings

Post - 7:00pm - 3rd Monday
 Executive Committee - 6:30pm - 3rd Monday

2012 Quota - 196
 Membership as of December 19 - 174

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2011-2012 UNIT OFFICERS

President ----- Mary Ann Wilson
 1st Vice President ----- Tanya Windau
 2nd Vice President -
 Secretary ----- Tanya Windau
 Treasurer ----- Lynn Steele
 Chaplain ----- Denise Martin
 Historian -

Meeting

6:30pm - Sunday before 3rd Monday

2012 Goal - 140
 Membership as of December 16 - 59

WILD GAME FEED

Our annual wild game feed will be held on Saturday, January 28, at 5pm. This is our biggest fundraiser, and we need a lot of help. If you have any wild game to donate, or if you can help on the game feed and/or sell raffle tickets, contact Mike Windau. We will also have a raffle for three rifles at the game feed. Your help in selling these raffle tickets would be appreciated.



FOUR CHAPLAINS SUNDAY

To honor the heroism of the Four Chaplains of the *USAT Dorchester*, we will have a Four Chaplains Memorial Service on Sunday, February 5, at 8:30am at the Post. This service is open to the public. From 9am to 12 noon, we will serve an all-you-can-eat breakfast for \$6 (children under 10-\$3). The proceeds from this breakfast will be donated to the Chapel of the Four Chaplains in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. Please invite your friends, neighbors and family to join us for this service.

"Greater love hath no man than this- that a man lay down his life for his friends."

LEGION FAMILY MEETING

There will be a meeting for **all** members of the Post 733 family - Legion, Auxiliary, SAL and ALR - on Saturday, February 4, at 11am. We need your ideas, suggestions, complaints or anything that may improve our Post. Coffee and donuts will be provided.

* * * *We have long sleeved denim shirts available with Legion or SAL logo for only \$35. See Robert Showalter to place an order.* * * *

Receive the *733 News* by email and help the Post save on postage. Send your email address to alpost733@yahoo.com or PO Box 282, Bettsville, OH 44815 or leave a note at the canteen.

* * * *The Boy Scouts will be serving breakfast at the Post on Sunday, February 19, from 9am to 12 noon. Come out and help support a great organization.* * * *

We are planning a bus trip to a Detroit casino on February 12. Contact Denise Martin (419-986-5584) or sign up at the Post.

Post Everlasting



James F. Burkart - November 22, 2011 - US Army - WWII



2011-2012 SQUADRON OFFICERS

Commander ----- Robert Showalter
 1st Vice Comdr. ----- Todd Blausey
 2nd Vice Comdr.----- Bret Grossman
 Adjutant ----- Skip Craun
 Finance Officer ----- Skip Craun
 Chaplain –
 Historian –
 Advisor ----- Skip Craun

Meeting

12 noon – 2nd Saturday

2012 Quota – 116
 Membership as of December 19 – 72

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2012 LEGION RIDERS OFFICERS

Director -----Doug Long
 Asst. Director -----Donna Foster
 Secretary----- Ken Stout
 Treasurer-----Cheryl Hoover
 Chaplain ----- Rodney Zehfus
 Historian -----Laura Whitta
 Run Coordinator ----- Dennis Reinhard

Meeting

10am – 2nd Saturday

Membership as of December 10 – 87

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SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



Squadron 733 has taken on a new project. Due to cutbacks at Sandusky OVH, peanuts were no longer available in their recreation hall, so we decided to provide them. The cost will be about \$600+ per year. We are selling paper peanuts in the canteen to help with cost. Your donation will be greatly appreciated. We would like to thank the Fifth District SAL for their donation of \$130, Squadron 8, Wellington-\$130, Squadron 118, Amherst-\$170, Squadron 354, New Riegel-\$20, and Post 733 AL Riders-\$100, for this project.

Our annual gun raffle will be held on Saturday, February 18 at 6pm. This is a great fundraiser for us. Last year we were able to purchase new bar stools for the canteen with some of the proceeds from this event. We will raffle ten or more guns and many other prizes. The cost of a ticket is \$10, and they are available at the canteen. If anyone would like to help sell some tickets contact Robert Showalter or Skip Craun.

We would like to thank everyone who supported our “wheelbarrow of booze” raffle. We raised over \$1100 for our charities. We are still collecting used printer cartridges for **Honor Flight**.



This has been a busy year for the Riders. We attended the Sate and National Romps, State Riders meetings, participated in many 5th District Riders events and regional and national events as well.

Our December Riders meeting was a very special day. We honored thirteen area families with sons or daughters who are currently serving in the military. Rex Mellott explained what the American Flag stands for, and a certificate of appreciation and an American Flag was given to each family.

The following were elected officers for 2012: Director-Doug Long, Assistant Director-Donna Foster, Treasurer-Cheryl Hoover, Secretary-Ken Stout, Chaplain-Rodney Zephus, Historian-Laura Whitta, Run Coordinator-Dennis Reinhard.

We wrapped up the year by helping with Christmas baskets for the needy and the local food pantry. A big thank you to everyone for supporting our two fundraisers – the winter picnic and chicken barbecue! We are looking forward to another exciting year. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.

Doug Long, Director

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KEEP UP WITH YOUR CLAIM STATUS

Once you file your claim with our office, we have to depend on you to tell us when you hear from the VA. Part of our procedure when we file your claim is telling you that you will hear from the VA long before we do. If you don't tell us what is going on, we won't know about it for 30 to 90 days after you get the letter. Unfortunately, many of the letters you will get from the VA require a response within a set period. If you don't let us know you have the letter, you may miss your required response time. PLEASE-PLEASE-PLEASE call us when you get correspondence from the VA.

Have you signed up for VA health care? Even if you don't need it now, you may need it in the future. Call our office for more information.

TRANSPORTATION

Van service is provided on the following schedule:

Toledo Clinic: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday – Appointments 9:00am to 12 noon

Ann Arbor DVAMC: Thursday Appointments 9:00am to 3:00pm

CANTEEN NEWS



The wind is blowing cold, so stop in the club for a warm and friendly atmosphere. Meat and potato meals for \$3 are scheduled as follows: baked steak sandwich with fries on January 20 and tater tot casserole on February 3.

The Super Bowl is on February 5, and you can be part of the party. For \$25 you get sandwiches, chips, three drink tickets and two squares on the Super Bowl board. The winner of each quarter will receive \$50. All squares surrounding the winning square will receive \$25. That means you have 8 chances to win \$50 and 64 chances to win \$25.

There are only 50 chances to get on the board, so don't be shut out. Please bring a carry-in dish to share.

CANTEEN HOURS

Thursday ----- 4pm – 10pm
Friday ----- 4pm – 1am
Saturday ----- 12 noon – 1am
Sunday ----- 4pm – 10pm

POST 733 CALENDAR

January 1 – NEW YEAR'S DAY
8 – Breakfast 9am-12 noon
9 – Seneca Co. meeting at New Riegel – 8pm
14 – AL Riders meeting – 10am
14 – SAL meeting – 12 noon
14 – Winter picnic – 5pm-7pm
15 – Auxiliary meeting – 6:30pm
16 – Post Executive Committee – 6:30pm
Post meeting – 7pm
20-22 – Mid-Winter Conference at Columbus
28 – Wild game feed – 5pm
29 – 5th District Conference at Elyria – 10am

February 5 – Breakfast – 9am-12 noon
5 – Super Bowl party
11 – AL Riders meeting – 10am
11 – SAL meeting – 12 noon
11 – Prime rib dinner – 5pm-7pm
13 – Seneca Co. meeting at Republic – 8pm
18 – Gun raffle – 6pm

February 19 – 5th District Exec. meeting at Fremont – 1pm
19 – Auxiliary meeting – 6:30pm
20 – PRESIDENTS DAY
20 – Post Executive Committee – 6:30pm
Post meeting – 7pm
24 – Fish dinner – 5pm-7pm

March 4 – Breakfast 9am-12 noon
10 – AL Riders meeting – 10am
10 – SAL meeting – 12 noon
10 – Cowboy spaghetti – 5pm-7pm
12 – Seneca Co. meeting at Tiffin – 8pm
17 – Birthday dinner – 5:30pm
18 – 5th District Conference at Fremont – 10am
18 – Auxiliary meeting – 6:30pm
19 – Post Executive Committee – 6:30pm
Post meeting – 7pm
23 – Fish dinner – 5pm-7pm
24 – 5th District pool tournament at Bellevue

Canteen will open at 12 noon, Sunday, January 1 – Pork & sauerkraut

Euchre every Saturday at 1pm

Check the bulletin board for upcoming events at other posts and other items of interest for Veterans.



George Washington

February 22, 1732



Abraham Lincoln

February 12, 1809

AMERICAN LEGION BIRTHDAY DINNER
March 17, 2012

Please reserve _____ plates for _____.

Return by March 11 to: Post 733, PO Box 282, Bettsville, OH 44815

