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Commander's Report

By Mike Daigle, 414-817-2153



On Saturday 3 September at 4pm, there will be a memorial service for Sgt. Matthew Thompson at Brookfield Lutheran Church. Matthew's mother, father, and sister are members of POST 449. His sister Robyn recently represented 449 at Badger Girls State. Sgt. Thompson was an Army Green Beret who was killed in action in Afghanistan last week. I ask that we come together as a POST family and be a strong supportive presence at this service. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family, friends, and members of Matthew's unit.

The All Services Dinner will be Sunday September 11th. It will be a home-style Italian feast. Cocktail hour will be from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm and dinner will commence at 6:30 pm. This meal will be cooked and served by your Auxiliary President, the Sons of the American Legion Commander, and myself, your Post 449 Commander to show our appreciation of our Post family members. Cost is \$25. Music during dinner will be provided by our own Joyce Bevan. More info is available on the flyers at the Post.

ONE TEAM, ONE GOAL
Commander

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American Legion Post 449

All Services Dinner

Dinner Prepared by your Post 449 Commander,
Auxiliary President, and SAL Commander

Sunday, September 11, 2016

5:30pm – 6:30pm Social Hour

6:30pm Dinner

\$25.00 per person



Paid Reservations Required by September 7, 2016 – mail or drop
payment and reservation at the Post Attn: Mike Daigle

Homestyle Italian Menu....

Chicken Parmesan
Grilled Italian Sausage
Baked Ziti
Balsamic Tomato Mozzarella Skewers
Italian Medley Vegetables
Tiramisu
Sweet Cream Cannoli
Italian Roast Coffee

1st Vice Message

By Alex Kolander, 414-322-8702

Greetings my Fellow Members,

I would like to bring to everyone's attention that every American Legion Post in existence functions under guidance provided by National Headquarters via publications (Post Operations, Officers Guide, Manual of Ceremonies, etc.) One example is a paragraph labeled **STANDING COMMITTEES**, found in the Officers Guide on page 21. The standing committees are, as an example, Americanism, Children and Youth, Veterans Affairs & Rehab, National Security, Membership & Post Activities, Public Relations, Legislative, Finance, Economic, House, and Service. And, as stated in said manual, your Post may need additional committees, such as a Bar Committee. New programs are often needed, while old programs should be changed, revitalized or, in some cases dropped. Each committee fits into the overall program of the Post to enhance and promote Post operations.

I am asking everyone to re-new their membership as soon as possible to help us achieve membership goals as fast as possible. You are a very important individual to the American Legion operation to serve our established goals. Your membership is vital to the four pillars of the American Legion.

See you at the Legion, may all of you prosper and achieve your life goals, Comrades. "Happy Trails to You"



ONE MORE TIME BAND

Playing for your listening and dancing pleasure

Every Second Monday of the Month 1:30 to 3:30

\$3.00/Person Admission

PUBLIC WELCOME

at

American Legion Post 449
3245 N. 124th Street, Brookfield



2nd Vice Message

By Jim Michaels, vice2post449@gmail.com

Greetings to all,

Hello, Members and friends of the Post. Part of the 2nd Vice Commanders job is as follows; Developing Post activities and entertainment, plus assisting the Commanders, Committees, Auxiliary & Sons in their endeavors for the betterment of the Post.. With that being said, **ALL** of the above mentioned are looking for Volunteers for upcoming or routine projects. If you can help in any way, please feel free to contact me. I will pair you up with a group or Commander who needs your help. Volunteer a day or two a month if you can.

For my first Activity as 2nd Vice, I have planned a fun day in fall. I'm calling this The "*Super Secret*" Bus Trip.. All I can tell you, is that you **will** have fun. The rules are as follows; **1)** You must be at least 21 years old. **2)** available 8:00 am to 5 pm. on the day of the trip **3)** Be willing to have fun, without asking *any* questions. (Remember "Loose Lips Sink Ships") The sign up sheet is available behind the bar. Food and drink will be provided all day starting with a light breakfast at the Post. The cost is \$ 40.00 per person. I will try and keep walking to a minimum. Until next month, God Bless our Veterans!

Upcoming activities;

SEPT. 2 thru 5. Labor Day Festivities (Post 449)

SEPT. 11th. All Services Dinner (Reservations Required)

OCT. 2nd. Fall conference (hosted by Post 449)

OCT. 23rd. October Fest (Reservations Suggested)

NOV. 5th. Veterans Day Parade (Downtown Milwaukee)

NOV. 11th. Flag Retirement (Events & Ceremony at the Post)

NOV. 12th. "*Super Secret*" Bus trip. (Reservations Required)



Judge Advocate Message

By Chuck Roloff

We are one Post. By the time you receive this, the merger process of Post 23 and 449 under the 449 banner should have been completed. This has been an eight month process that began with two people having a casual conversation in our bar.

The conversation went something like this, Post 23 officer/member says to a 449 officer/member, "Cudworth is going to merge with someone this year and is in active pursuit of the right Post of the four or five they have identified as prospects. I wonder who I should to talk with to begin the conversation with 449?" The 449 member said, why not talk to me?" And thus began the process.

Each of the Posts formed and authorized a committee to pursue the topic, receiving appointment from the respective Commanders and authorization from the respective Executive Committees.

The negotiated details of the merger were agreed upon by the combined Merger Committee and then presented individually to each Post's Executive Committee. The plan received overwhelming approval from each Executive Committee. The plan was then taken to each Post's General Membership, where it received overwhelming approval.

The combined Merger Committee then set about finalizing the agreed upon plan with the Department of Wisconsin, which occurred at Convention in July. The final approval will come from the National Executive Committee this month.

Since the beginning of the Post 449 year we have begun to operate as one. We will continue to do this and let the final administrative details catch up with us during the next couple of months.

We on the Merger Committee are excited to have crafted an idea to strengthen two Posts which have each been spending too much time and effort on basic survival, to be more deeply involved in Legion activities and projects. We are pleased that the plan met with approval of the leadership (through the Executive Committee) and the General Membership of each post.

Together we raised money for Badger Boys State and we are working on a joint funding proposal for "**Our Post.**" We have initiated operating committees with representation from both Posts. The Merger Committee will continue to meet occasionally to monitor whether the committee structure is operating effectively and will offer suggestions to the Commander and Post Executive Committee as appropriate.

Chuck Roloff
Judge Advocate
Post 449



Join us to say farewell to Summer
And Support Your Post 449

Monday, September 5, 11:30 to ?
Mick's Chicken Roast
\$8.50 quarter, \$10.00 half, \$11.00 whole
Various Sides & Desserts
Music by Hat Trick
Liquor Raffle, Wheel of Fortune

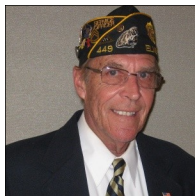
Rain or Shine
Inside and Outside

Service Officer's Message...

By Richard Strehlow, 262-641-0977

Last Bugle (Members)...

Kenneth Claffey WWII



Last Bugle (Non-Members)...

Daniel Merkel, WWII
Frank Weismann, WWII
Henry Gefke, Korea
Paul Lohr, WWII
Arthur Berg, Korea
Donald Groom, Korea
Earnest Fritz, WWII
Cloyee Atkins, Vietnam
James Brenner, Korea

Willie Cannon, Peace Time
Roman Listwan, WWII
Joseph Stemberger, Peace Time
Lionel Thalke, WWII
Donald Tschabold, WWII
Edward Eggert, WWII
Andrew Potos, WWII
Lane Wltschak, Vietnam
Andrew Spheeris, WWII

Sick Bay: None Reported

Notes of Interest:

I would like to thank the following families and groups for their generous contributions to our Post for the Honor Guard's service for their loved ones. The Steltz Family, The Rossi Family, The Zaferos Family, The Quade Family.

V.A. News & Info.....

1 -The American Legion Legacy Scholarship supports children of fallen post-9/11 service members. The American Legion has also expanded the scholarship to include children of VA-rated, post-9/11 veterans with a disability of 50 percent or higher. The total amount of Legacy Scholarship money to be awarded varies based on the amount of donations received each year and the total amount of income derived from interest on the trust each year. All applications new or renewal must be submitted using the online scholarship submission system no later than April 20.

2- The Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) [Veterans Choice Program](#) (VCP) has reached a key milestone by scheduling two million appointments through the program. The network now has over 350,000 providers and facilities. VA has partnered with Congress to improve the

community care experience by: (1) removing the enrollment date requirement for Choice; (2) implementing criteria of 40-mile driving distance from medical facility with primary care physician; (3) implementing the unusual or excessive burden criteria; and (4) expanding the episode of care authorization from 60 days to up to one year.

3- The American Legion will conduct a two-day entrepreneurial course, called "Boots to Business: Reboot," to be held in conjunction with its 98th National Convention in Cincinnati. The course is specifically designed, free of charge, for all veterans and military spouses. After completing this free course, participants will have the tools and knowledge they need to identify a business opportunity, draft a business plan and launch their enterprise. Participants who complete this course will also be provided access to an eight-week online Foundations of Entrepreneurship course offered by the Institute for Veterans and Military Families (IVMF) at Syracuse University. Veterans and spouses can register for the free entrepreneurship training program [here](#).

4- Are you a veteran living with diabetes, concerned about being at risk, or simply want to take charge of your health? The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) offers a range of programs and services targeted at diabetes as well as other health care needs. With VA health care, veterans can: (1) lose weight and keep it off; (2) view and manage their health records; (3) benefit from preventative care; (4) access support close to home; and (5) improve their quality of life with dental and vision care. For information on signing up for VA health care, visit the [VA Health Care website](#).



Remember.....

*That all gave some, **but many gave all!***

Chaplain's Corner

By Harvin Abrahamson, 414-462-0097



September, which was the seventh month of the calendar year until the Romans inserted the months of July and August to honor Julius Caesar and Caesar Augustus, is the month of the Autumnal Equinox--a day of equal daylight and darkness all over the Earth, also known as the first day of the Fall season in the Northern Hemisphere.

Sometimes as we look back, our wishes are that we could do Summer all over again. There were so many pleasant days on the golf course, baseball games, picnics, entertaining in the backyard and just sitting quietly listening to the songs of birds with winds rustling the leaves of the trees.

September becomes the month when we spend time "winterizing" our gardens, our lawns, our homes and mentally preparing for the ensuing winter--the season of the "Scandinavian Blues".

So then, let us carry on with all of our missions without longing for a repeat of Summer but looking forward to each day, planning for it and realizing that within God's purposes, one life on this Earth--be it long or short--is enough.

Respectfully,
Harvin Abrahamson, *Chaplain*



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



Empowering Women, Inspiring Communities

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Locker, Dawn Zehren, 9/27 Mary Stefanovic, 9/28 Gabriela Vische, 9/29 Michele Johnstone, 9/30 Elf Eberle. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ALL!!!**

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions of new things to do or old things to change please let us know.

Remember we need school supplies, socks, scarf, hats and gloves for our blessing bags. Every little bit helps our veterans and children.

In the Spirit of Service Not Self, I Thank You All for what you do to help the 449 Auxiliary be the Best.

Keep Soaring for our Veterans until our next meeting Stay Well and I'll see you at the Post.

Kathy

Chaplain's Message

By Kathy Schiller, 414-464-9210



Wow! Summer is almost over. It's time for harvesting the fruits of our labor and preparing our gardens and homes for the season of Winter.

As we do all these things, let us remember all the wonderful things God has given us. His gifts are too numerous to count. Let us pray that He continues to watch over and Bless us, our military, law enforcement, fire fighters, and Our Nation. Help us to continue to be instruments of our Lord's peace and love as we serve our Veterans and Community.

Get Well Card sent to: Kathy McCarthy, Diane Larsen, and Karen Adams.

Sympathy Card sent to: The Family of Marcy Regenwether (19 year member)

God Bless,
Chaplain Kathy

The President's Message...

By Kathy McCarthy, 262-442-5703
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Hello Everyone !

As summer is coming to an end and our busy schedules start winding down, we need to start thinking about our upcoming meetings and events to attend.

First, we need to renew our membership and invite our friends and families to join the biggest women's service organization in the world. But remember, that as we grow older, fewer and fewer younger women are joining any organization, so sign up your daughters, daughters-in-law, and granddaughters, even great granddaughters. Our newest member was 3 days old at our last meeting. I hope everyone will help grow our unit.

A lot is happening at the Post so mark your calendars:

- 9/5 Labor Day Chicken Fest with Hat Trick
- 9/11 ALA 1st District Board Meeting - Delavan
- 9/11 All Services Dinner
- 9/15 Moving Forward Presented by the Laureate Group Senior Communities. RSVP Joan Felske 414-418-5816 or Kathy McCarthy 262-442-5703
- 9/20 Auxiliary Meeting
- 9/21 ALA County Meeting in Menomonee Falls
- 9/24 In The Know (Fall Forum) Grafton
- 9/28 Veterans Picnic on the VA Grounds
- 10/1 1st District Fall Conference Silver Lake
- 10/8 Welcome Luncheon for Cudworth Auxiliary
- 10/15 Fall Fashion Show
- 10/16 Juniors Fall Conference In Lavalley, WI
- 11/19 Craft Fair

These meetings and events are for everyone so if you are interested please let us know, or just come and join us.

Here are our September Birthday Girls: 9/2 Patti Winter, 9/5 Shirley Sackitt, 9/6 Chris Ertl, 9/9 Carrie Ray, 9/10 Jan Wickersham, 9/12 Diane Larsen, 9/15 Sam Catura, 9/17 Gwen Badzinski, 9/23 Martha Bolton, Marion Stanley, 9/24 Tammy Krsticevic, Joanne Peterson, 9/26 Yvonne

"Falling for Fashion"
Luncheon and Fashion Show
Saturday, October 15, 2016
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 449
3245 N. 124th St., Brookfield, WI

Cocktails...11:00 Luncheon...12:00
Style Show...1:00

Fashions by Margo's Village Boutique
5620 Broad St., Greendale, WI

1st Vice Report

By Shannon Daigle, 904-415-1597
shdaigle@yahoo.com



First I would like to thank everyone who dropped off items for the Blessing Bags. Thank you so much for your generosity towards this special cause. We are still in need of more items (hats, gloves, scarves, personnel hygiene items, dry snacks, bottled water, puzzle books, playing cards, etc.) so please keep the donations coming.

The picnic at the VA for the veterans has been scheduled for September 28th. We will need volunteers to help with this special event as well as volunteers to make desserts. Set up will start at 10:00am at the Pavilion at Lake Wheeler on the VA Grounds. The veterans will be arriving at 11:30am. If you would like to volunteer, please contact me at 904-415-1597.

Our Auxiliary Juniors are selling bracelets depicting all 5 services of our military. They cost \$5.00 per bracelet and are available behind the bar at the Post. Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used for our Junior Program. Some of the money from these proceeds will also go to our Honorary Department Junior Presidents special project for the year, Equestrian Therapy for Veterans. They are in need of donations to help pay for harnesses for the horses. We will be presenting a check to the Junior President at the Fall Junior Convention in Baraboo in October at the ranch.

Thank you so much to all the Volunteers who support our Auxiliary and our Post. You are what makes our programs a success!!

God Bless,
Shannon Daigle
Unit 449 Auxiliary First Vice President

2nd Vice Report

By Joan Felski, 414-463-5787



I wanted to thank the Badger Girls that attended our August meeting for sharing with the Ladies Auxiliary their experiences, while attending the Badger Girls festivities. All the girls seemed to enjoy the experience.

Also, many thanks to the gals that stepped up to the plate and volunteered to be the hostesses during our August Meeting, Chris Ertl, Pat Winters, and Joleen Gordon. Without their help, I couldn't have done it. **STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS/HOSTESSES for our September, October, November and December meetings. Please contact me if you are interested.**

We are still looking for school supplies for Metcalfe School that we are sponsoring. Please drop off at the Post marked to my attention. We are sponsoring approximately 40 students.

Also, September 16th is National POW/MIA Recognition Day. Please pause to remember the U.S. Service members that never made it home. Both those who may still be living & those who have died. The American Legion/Auxiliary will never forget these heroes. I encourage all to keep their memories alive.

Last but not least: Thanks to ALL that make the Post a Success!

Notes From The Membership Team...

By Anita (Sam) Catura & Laura Roche
414-418-0289
acatura@fmglc.com



Membership is "Soaring" with 108 paid members for 2017. That puts us at 15.9% of our 2017 goal of: 679 members. How awesome would this be to attain AND maintain 679 members! The work we can accomplish with this kind of number, assisting our Veterans and their families! Remember: you do not have to wait for a renewal notice in the mail or by email....I accept your payment anytime, drop it at the Post in a "blue dues box" **OR** pay on line by logging on to: www.ALAforVeterans.org and go to "Members Only" tab and create a log in ID. You will need an email address, your member id number and of course your credit card. (You can only pay for 2017 renewals on line. If you owe 2016, you will have to contact me). **OR** you can drop in the mail to my attention. Make checks payable to ALA Unit 449.

Mail to: Sam Catura
4660 N 69th St
Milwaukee, WI 53218

Sr Members (if a Jr turns 18 during 2016, they are a SR member for 2017)

SR Members Dues: \$22.00

JR Members Dues: \$ 3.50

Congratulations to our August Early Bird drawing winner: **Trisha Wilson**. Trisha receives a check for \$10. Now YOU have the chance to be the winner in September drawing if you pay your dues at least 1 week prior to the September meeting.

PLEASE NOTE: National will be mailing renewal reminders around 9/12/16. If you have email on file, you will receive your notice via email. Now, if you have paid already for 2017, you do not need to respond to these notices. How do you know if you did? You will have received your 2017 card from me. For members who have not renewed for 2016 **OR** for 2017: what are you waiting for??? Always remember why you joined and continue to honor your veteran who gave you this opportunity to be free

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ROSTER OF BAR COMMITTEE

POST 449 MEMBER: Ryan Schaekel (CPT)
POST 449 MEMBER: Monte Lunde
POST 449 MEMBER: Tom Krall
POST 23 MEMBER: Larry Kaplan
SAL MEMBER: Leigh Rainer
AUXILIARY MEMBER: Diane Larsen

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POST ADJUTANT: Mike Cannon
ASSISTANT ADJUTANT: Jim Noonan
FINANCE OFFICER: Rick Bolda
ASSISTANT OFFICER: Mike Smith
GENERAL MEMBER: Jim Hargraves
GENERAL MEMBER: Tim McCaigue
GENERAL MEMBER: Al Reich

ROSTER OF HOUSE COMMITTEE

POST 449 MEMBER: Jim Cofta
POST 449 MEMBER: Richard Robinson
POST 23 MEMBER: Frank Lubinski
SAL MEMBER: John Mahoney
AUXILIARY MEMBER: Kitty Larkin

and make this choice.

I would like to once again recognize members who have continued to serve with pride, in honor of our Veterans. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING:

*Estelle Schneider	40 yrs	Jacqueline Rabenowich	37 yrs
Nancy Krieg	39 yrs	Ruth Schim	37 yrs
Jane Deisinger	39 yrs	*Evelyn Bensemam	37 yrs
Jean Singer	39 yrs	*Christine Sneide	37 yrs
Rosalind Armann	38 yrs	Carol Meganeck	36 yrs
*Marilyn Mis	38 yrs	Arlyn Robinson	36 yrs
*Josephine Salzstein	38 yrs	Alice Shumway	36 yrs
*Karen Taughinbaugh	38 yrs	*Janice Dahlke	36 yrs
* (Unit 23 members)			

When you see these ladies, please tell them "THANK YOU". We need these "experienced" ladies to mentor and guide us, as the less experienced among us take on leadership roles.

Always remember: "Service Not Self" as we "soar" to new heights for our Veterans. Again, who do you honor and remember forever with your continued membership?

INVITATION TO A WELCOME LUNCHEON: OCTOBER 8TH 11:30 TO 3PM FOR THE MEMBERS OF UNIT 23. Please mark this date on your calendar and make an effort to join the fellowship as we greet these wonderful ladies and welcome them Unit 449, where we will work as ONE strong Unit, supporting the American Legion and honoring the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military and their families, both at home and abroad.

Unit 449 Membership Chair
Sam Catura

Question of the month: Why do I refer to "soaring" to new heights?



CONGRATULATIONS BADGER GIRLS STATE REPRESENTATIVES!

Left to right: Rachel LeClaire, Leila Mahdavia, Alex Paris, Deepali Bhalla, absent Sarah Michaels

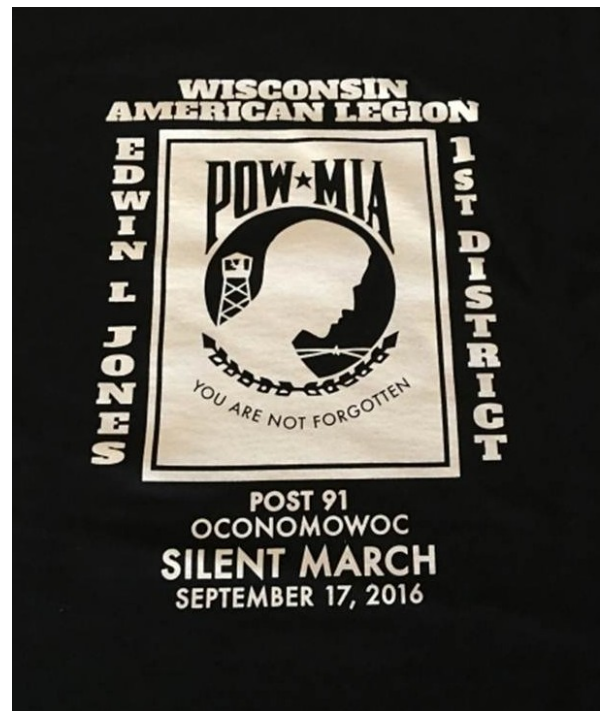
"COUNTY CORNER"

The main objective of the County Council is to study and discuss the common problems of the Units, to promote membership and to further acquaint the members within the County group.

The next County meeting is scheduled for September 21st at 7pm at the Menomonee Falls Post 382. It would be great to see Unit 449 represented at this meeting. If the Waukesha County Council is to be of any assistance and be successful, we need members like you to participate in the meetings to share ideas, suggestions and/or concerns. **And you are all members of the Waukesha County Legion and Auxiliary.**

Another great way to show your support of the Legion, your District and County, is to participate in the POW/MIA Silent March. This event takes place on Sept 17th at the Oconomowoc Post 91. It is a very moving experience to march through the streets: SILENTLY. Silence can be a very loud voice sometimes. Please consider taking part in this event. Bring the entire family.

Sam Catura
Waukesha County President



WHEN: Saturday, September 17, 2016

REGISTRATION & ASSEMBLY: 9:00am - 10:45am American Legion Post 91 128 W. Wisconsin Av

MARCH STARTS: 11:00am at Gazebo, behind City Hall, proceeds thru Downtown Oconomowoc and ends at Veterans Memorial Park.

The March is less than 1/2 mile.

CEREMONY TO FOLLOW: Approximately 11:30am Veterans Memorial Park

FELLOWSHIP TO FOLLOW: American Legion Post 91

***** There will be no March in the event of rain**, Ceremony will still take place at Post 91**

For more information please contact:

Bill Winkels, Commander & POW/MIA co-chair 262-490-2924
Tom Strey, 1st Vice Commander & POW/MIA co-chair 262-490-0416



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



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House Comm. Rep.	Ricky Robinson	508-566-3195

cooking, Jim is here with Lilly, that guy over there is Mike and he is a member, John is helping out and I'm here. Then that same member said, no I meant your officers. My replay was Tom is Sgt at Arms, I'm Finance, Brad is the Chaplain, and John is a Vice Commander! Then that member said, I mean your Commander! The Squadron Commander was at the Packer Party just not all day. The SAL does support the Post in ways beyond donating monies. The dedication and hard work of SONS members like Mick and John, help to get it done and make the Annual Packer Party a big success. "Get 'er Done - See a Son!"

If any newly elected Officer or an appointed Officer would like their picture posted on our website. (Head shot)

Please email to me @
ccannon@ameritech.net

Thank you
Chris Cannon

Greetings from the Squadron Commander

By Leigh Rainer, 262-549-1939

Hello, and greetings to all of you:

The other day someone asked me (and I still find it hard to believe,) that there are still people out there, that wonder what and if the Sons of the American Legion is doing for our Post. **REALLY**. Well, we are not always visible in what we do, but I assure you that we provide our Post with our volunteering and help with its various needs. We might be silent and invisible, but we're there. You can count on it.

What a blast (literally speaking) we had at the August 2nd "Shooting Sports" at WFTC. Six people attended, and we punched a lot of holes in paper. For one shooter it was their first time with a weapon, and with the exception of a few bullets that still have yet to come down, did quite well.

I'm still looking to get our "COLOR GUARD" up and going again, so if you're interested in joining, please give me a call. The pay is good and the uniforms are cool.

God bless our military, its veterans and the United States of America.

"Never, under any circumstances, take a laxative and a sleeping pill at the same time."

My Two Cents...

By Mike Pook, Squadron 449 Finance Officer
S.A.L. First District Commander
Facebook- Singing The Blues



It's not the price you pay for membership...it's the price your forefather's paid to make you eligible.

It's Membership Renewal time. SAL Dues are just \$15 per year or two years for \$25. With your membership card, you receive a discount at the Post 449 bar, \$1 off Saturday night door cover, reductions for various outdoor venues and even when you shop at Lowe's. This year our goal will be 212 members. With your help we'll reach it. To our 23 brothers, Brad Cutura can help you transfer over. Contact info in the SAL Directory.

The Squadron members Get 'er Done. At Post 449, SONS volunteer on a daily basis without being thanked publicly. At the Packer Party, a member commented to me that there was NO SAL members here today. I looked around the room and said, Tom is bartending, Kiki is sitting at the bar next to Heidi, dual member Jim is next to Jennifer over there, Brad is here with Sam, Commander Mike is a dual member, Mick was



Fall Vacation at a Bargain Price...

To date, eleven Post 449 legionnaires have taken advantage of renting a cabin this year. These members, their families and friends have all had marvelous vacations. The fun and excitement they've experienced will be unforgettable. It's remarkable how those simple pleasures of [relaxing by a lake](#) and [communing with nature](#) can take away all the stresses that surrounds us on a daily basis.

I'm inviting you to decompress!



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The remaining cabin vacancy is in the heart of the autumn season. Generally, when you consider vacationing during this high-demand period it's slim pickin's and the rental costs can be prohibitive.

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Call Al Reich at (262) 523-4525 for reservations.

For more details - www.cudworth.org





CHAIR VOLLEYBALL IS BACK.....

BEGINNING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5TH, 2016

WHEN: Wednesdays (unless otherwise communicated)

TIME: 5PM TO 6PM

WHERE: STENZ-GRIESELL-SMITH POST 449
3245 n 124TH St, Brookfield

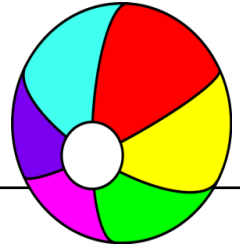
COST: FREE FREE FREE FREE

WHO : anyone who LOVES Veterans – this is open to Veterans, their families, friends, and neighbors of all ages. Come and check it out!

CONTACT INFORMATION: Sam Catura

Phone: 414-418-0289

Work number: 414-908-8858



HELP WANTED

Post 449 is in desperate need of a maintenance person. If you or anyone you know may be interested, please see Bill Simon for more details.

This is a paid position.

Holiday Craft Fair

Saturday November 19
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

If interested in a booth, please call Cheryl Mielke at 414-699-1854 before all spaces are taken!

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Saturday, September 10, 2016
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Contact Joan Felski at (414) 418-5816

Seating is Limited!

*******PACKER PARTY THANK YOU*******

We would like to thank all the volunteers that helped make the Packer Party of 2016 a success.

Frank Sternisha, Kathleen Schiller, Kathy McCarthy, Mike Pook, Joleen Gordon, Paul Johnson, Mick Cucinello, LaVonn Biedenbender, Mike Desrosiers, Pete Schiller and Jim Noonan.

Also thank you to all who purchased raffle tickets and those who came to the Post for the party.

Thank you to the many area business that donated to our cause to many to list but you have my heartfelt thanks.

After all expenses were paid the party raised close to \$4,600.00.

Thank You All from
Mike & Chris Cannon

OCTOBER FEST

October 23rd

11:30-4:30

150lb Piggy, stuffed with homemade bratwurst and sauerkraut

German Spaetzle Dumplings and deserts

German music (Chris and Frank)

German beer and Asbach Uralt

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SATURDAY LIVE BANDS 7:30 - 11:30 (\$5 cover, \$4 Members)

September

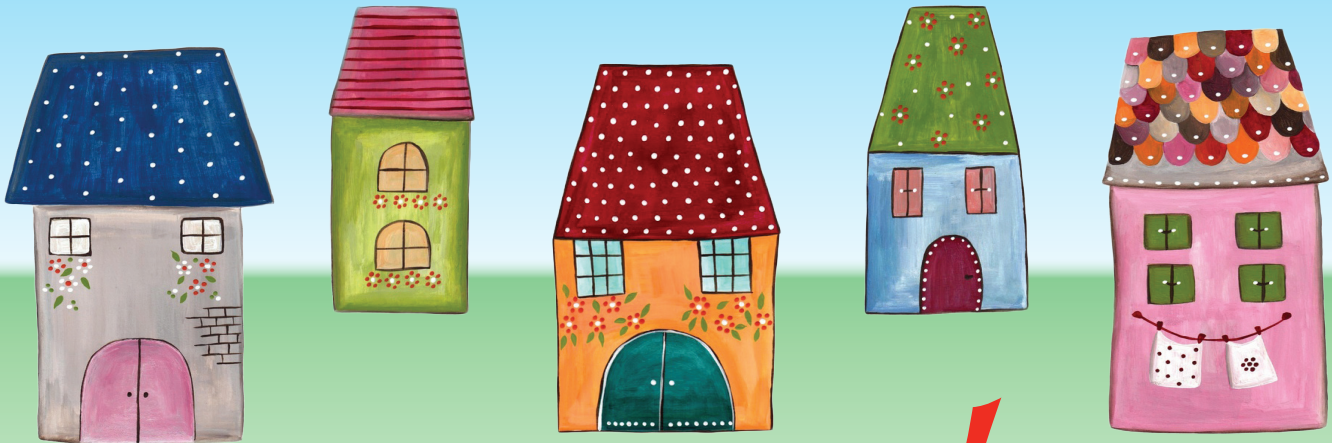
Thu 1 Freddie Marquez & his All Star
Open Jam
Fri 2 Bobby Way
Sat 3 Danny Moore & the Boogie
Woogie Flu
Fri 9 Dean Richard
Sat 10 Ricochettes
Fri 16 Freddie Marquez &
Danny Moore
Sat 17 Hat Trick (Farewell to Larry)
Fri 23 Mike Eve
Sat 24 Liam Ford
Fri 30 Roger Boll

October

Sat 1 The Spiders - David Bowie
Tribute Band
Thu 6 Freddie Marquez & his All
Star Open Jam
Fri 7 Bobby Way
Sat 8 Nostalgia
Fri 14 Frankie Donn
Sat 15 Vinyl Road
Fri 21 Tomm Lehnigk
Sat 22 Freddie & The Cruisers
Fri 28 Chris Vesche
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Costume Contest

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MONDAY MONEY MADNESS

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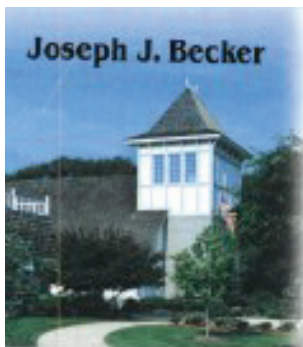
Sign In Drawing at 7:00 pm

*Dinner Prepared & Served By
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4 Open 11:30	5 Labor Day Roast Drawing 7:00	6 Lunch 11:30 <u>SAL Mtg 7:00</u>	7 Lunch 11:30 Men's Dartball Mtg 7	8 Lunch 11:30 Cook In 5:00-8:30 Karaoke 5:00-8:00	9 Lunch 11:30 Live Music 4:30-10 Fish Fry 4:30-8:30	10 Open 11:30 Drawing 2:00 Live Music 7:30
11 Open 11:30 Packer game 12:00 All Services Dinner 5:30	12 Open 1:00 One More Time 1:30 Dinner 5:00-8:00 Drawing 7:00	13 Lunch 11:30 <u>Exec Mtg 7:00</u>	14 Lunch 11:30 Men's Dartball Begins 7:00	15 Lunch 11:30 Cook In 5:00-8:30	16 Lunch 11:30 Live Music 4:30-10 Fish Fry 4:30-8:30	17 Open 11:30 Drawing 2:00 Live Music 7:30
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