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March 2013

The Commanders View

Hi Legionnaires at Post #26.,

American Legion Post # 26 sponsored Olivia Grubbs for the High School Oratorical Scholarship Program. She stated out at Post # 26 coming in 1st place. Then went to district and won first place, then onto area contest and won first. Olivia finished in second place at Mid Winter Conference at Department of Iowa on February 3, 2013 in Des Moines, Iowa.

March is community Service month. March 15-17 is recognized anniversary period of the founding of the American Legion. John Deere Classic brides for Charity will be coming out in April through the American Legion Post # 26.

Marlene Marolf is are membership chair women and is working hard to get our membership to 100% before May 1st, 2013. We are 100 members short of our goal. Membership dues help support the American Legion Community service programs.

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all!

Glenn Kimmerle
Commander
American Legion Post #26

ADJUTANT'S COMMENTS

I would like to welcome aboard the Illowa Detachment of the Marine Corps League. They have been seeking a new meeting location, since the closing of the Rock Island VFW facility. The Marines will officially start meeting at 7:00 p.m., the 4th Thursday of each month, in March. It has always been our intention to open our facility to other Veteran groups for meeting space. Your post is also host to the Marine Moms, 40&8, and the Retired Enlisted Association.

On the 16th of February, your Honor Guard had the privilege of participating in a ceremony commemorating the 150th anniversary of the awarding of the Medal of Honor to John Vale. Mr. Vale served during the Civil War and was presented his medal in 1863. He is buried at Oakdale Cemetery. Also attending was the Patriot Guard and Civil War Re-enactors, Bugles Across America.

Our thanks to member Larry Flathman, for taking on the 5th Grade Essay Contest for this year, two schools participated - Monroe Elementary and All Saints Catholic School. He had a total of 57 5th grade students participate... It has been a number of years since we have been able to successfully conduct this contest. Next year we hope to expand by another school or two! Thanks again Larry!!

Dave Jones reports that Bingo is doing very well, since we have increased the jack-pot pay outs. Games are played every Wednesday evening at 6:00 p.m... We could use some extra help, especially a back-up cashier for times when our regular one is sick or has another conflict. This is the main provider for all of the posts charitable donations, and provides over \$12,000.00 annually for us!

Wil Ensenat, our Scouting Representative, reports the Troop and Pack that we sponsor are doing well and increasing in membership. Pack 373 had their Blue and Gold Dinner in February, with over 80 boys and parents in attendance.

Your post web-site is constantly being updated and has linked a number of other Websites. Go ahead and browse, there is lots of veteran and post information. Again, we could use some extra help if any of our membership likes to play around with computers and web-sites.

On February 21st, your post hosted a one day Stand-Down for Homeless Vets. We started this a year ago and had some 80+ Vets that we were able to help. Thanks to the many volunteers who helped and the organizations who oversee this activity!!

Pancake breakfasts are held the first Sunday of the month [March 3 and April 7]. It is a great breakfast menu, live music and fellowship and only \$7.00 for all you can eat!! Come out; enjoy yourself, while helping the post financially.

Respectfully submitted:
Allan Johnston, Adjutant



CHAPLAINS COMMENTS

SPECIAL PEOPLE for SPECIAL PURPOSE

God's Word instructs us in 2 TIMOTHY 2:20-21 to be vessels consecrated and ready for the Master use. These verses make clear that to be consecrated is to be set apart for a special use.

To God we are precious treasures. According to His great plan, we are vessels He sets aside for a special purpose. God wants to show His glory through us. He wants to use us to bring others to Himself. We are His representatives, His ambassadors here on earth. God makes His appeal to the world through us (see 2 CORINTHIANS 5:20).

Even after we dedicate ourselves to God, we should regularly rededicate ourselves to our real purpose, as ROMANS 12:1 encourages: "I appeal to you therefore, brethren, and beg of you in view of the mercies of God, to make a decisive dedication of your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and well pleasing to God, which is your reasonable service and spiritual worship".

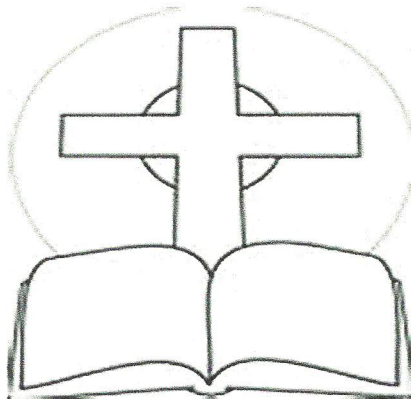
It is not too much for God to ask us to dedicate every facet of our being to Him. He wants us offering ourselves as "living sacrifices" unto Him for His purpose and use.

Consecrate yourself to God and be set apart and ready for any good work!

You can always change your actions and behavior, but in order to do that, you must first change your thoughts and words. WE need to pray to the Holy Spirit of God who dwells inside us. "Ask Him to help you. He will".

GOD'S PEACE, BLESSING'S and LOVE , CHAPLAIN Don

March events: American Legion Birthday
Holy Seasons
Happy St. Patrick's Day

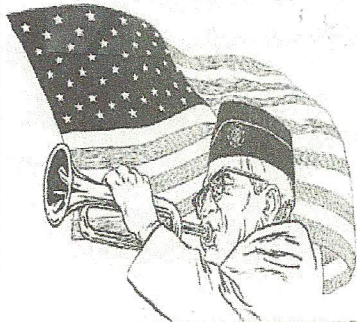


Post Officers

Commander
Vice-Commanders

Adjutant
Chaplain
Finance
Judge Advocate
Historian
Sgt at Arms
Service Officer
Honor Guard Commander

Glenn Kimmerle
Dale Chrysler
Marlene Marolf
Allan Johnston
Don Heister
Bill MacDougal
Terry Dell
Wil Ensenat
Ron Mueller
Dave Woods
Nick DeBolt



POST EVERLASTING

Funerals Conducted February

Billy Scott
Denvil Buller
Earl Nickels
Eldon Brooks
Erwin Koenig
George Tom Jones
James Malloy.
Wayne Berry
Winifred Johnson

Let us always remember our fallen soldiers and what legacy they leave behind.

Chaplain's Message

If anyone knows of a Legion member that may be ill or in the hospital, please contact Chaplain Don Heister. He would like to pay a visit to offer spiritual guidance. You may reach Chaplain Heister at 563-445-8648.

*****Pancake Breakfast*****

Post 26 is holding it's Pancake Breakfast on the first Sunday of each month. The hours are 7:00 am to 11:00 am.

Menu

Pancakes, Scrambled eggs, Sausage Links, Potatoes and Biscuits and Gravy.

Coffee, Juice and Milk
\$7.00 for adults. This is open to the public.

New Bar Hours

Barroom and kitchen are now open to membership and the public.

The hours of operation are:
Wednesdays—5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

\$1.25 Drafts

Legion Post 26 Events, US Holidays

Mar 20 (Centr Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24	25	26	27	28	1	2
					Turners Meeting 11	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
7am - Breakfast	6pm - NW Little League @ Post 26 Home					9am - Judy
		6pm - Tiger Den Mtg	Bingo Starts At 6:00	5:30pm - Cub Scouts		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Daylight Saving 11am - Fire Rescue 1pm - Tonya's Baby	6pm - Membership		Bingo Starts At 6:00	40 & 8 Meeting @ Liederfeld Meeting	5pm - Charlett	Phyllis Dengler's 4pm - Charlett
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
St. Patrick's Day 4pm - Sharon	5pm - Executive	6pm - Tiger Den Mtg	Bingo Starts At 6:00 K. Dell Manor Care		Aux. Vendor Sale @ Post 26 Home	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	RN Feece	5:30pm - Boy Scouts	Bingo Starts At 6:00			5pm - DAV Dinner @
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
Easter						

Legion Post 26 Events, US Holidays

Apr 20 (Central Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1 April Fool's Day	2	3 Bingo Starts At 6:00	4 5:30pm - Cub Scouts	5 Turners Meeting 11 5pm - Nick Tarchinski Rehersal Dinner @	6
7 7am - Breakfast	8 6pm - Membership	9 6pm - Tiger Den Mtg	10 Bingo Starts At 6:00	11 40 & 8 Meeting @ Liederfeld Meeting	12 5pm - Scott Harper	13
14 11am - Fire Rescue	15 Tax Day 5pm - Executive	16	17 Bingo Starts At 6:00	18 11am - Royal	19	20 7am - Honor Flight
21	22 Earth Day	23 6pm - Tiger Den Mtg	24 Bingo Starts At 6:00	25 7pm - Marine Corps	26	27
28	29	30	1	2	3	4

Membership

Happy St Patrick's Day

Please Help! We have several members that are not current on their membership dues that have more than 10 years membership. If you are aware of any special circumstances with these members please contact me.

We're closing the gap but we have a ways to go, and please keep in mind all the good that the legion supports in our community.

Marlene Marolf, Membership Chairperson

Longtime Members

At American Legion Post 26 we want to recognize two of our members for being members of this American Legion Family; John Whitaker 60 years of Legion Service and Margaret Voss who also has 60 years of Legion Service. So if you know or see these members please tell them Thank you for your service.



John Whitaker , Glenn Kimmerle



Glenn Kimmerle, Margaret Voss

VA Coordinator

Anyone needing help with a claim or information about the VA you may contact Dave Woods at :

(563)326-8723

Newsletter

If you are going to a warmer climate for the winter, please do not forget to stop your news letter. We mail at a bulk mailing rate and the post Office will not forward this type of mail.

Any mail returned to us will cost the post \$0.44 plus the original cost of mailing.

It is the responsibility of the member to notify us. We can not start and stop automatically.

Veteran's Status

On 01/15/2013, the Iowa Dept of Transportation and Iowa Dept of Veteran Affairs have made it possible to have " VETERAN", placed on your Iowa Driver License, only when it is up for renewal. I say again only when it is up for renewal.

You will need to pick a form up from the driver license office and bring it into the Scott County Veteran Affairs office, along with your DD 214, discharge papers, to have it cleared and signed off by the Veteran Affairs officer.

You should make an appointment to bring that DD 214 to my office so that you will not have to wait while I am working with another Veteran.

The office # is 563-326-8723.

Bingo News

We are in need of Volunteers for our Bingo Operation. We accept anyone, if you have 1 to 2 hours or perhaps you can't sleep come out and help us clean-up the hall any time is appreciated we are also looking for a back up Cashier. Please Let me Know?

Dave Jones— 563-570-0154

Auxiliary Newsletter

Unit 26

March 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Andrea Kimmerle and prayer was given by Thea Welke. The minutes of the last meeting was read by Secretary Carletta Campbell. The treasure report was read by Jeanette Smith.

We have sent \$180,000 in coupons to veterans overseas. We took another box of pop tabs to the Ronald Mc Donald house in Iowa City. Our membership is at 147, we need 170 to make our 100%. I need Your help ladies to do this, so please send in your dues. Thank You.

President Andrea Kimmerle attended the Mid- Winter Conference, it was great. The Department ladies is working on a project Called Quilts of Valor. Our unit agreed to send \$250 for this project.

Carletta has a quilt started, so our unit is going to finish it and Give it to a veteran. We made 10 tie blankets and gave them to Stand Down for Homeless Veterans. Ken Plumb donated stocking caps he made.

We are going to send 4 girls to Girl State this year. They are: Carolina Roa, Megan Grabow, Brianna Carter and Madison West and our two alternate are Libby Burken and Sara Olds. Girls State is June 16th to the 22nd this year. Thea, Sue, and Lilah interviewed the girls. Marian greeted the girls.

March 16th is Phyllis Dengler`s 90th birthday party at the Legion post, from 1:00 to 3:30. March 19th is our next meeting, be sure to bring food for the food pantry. March 23rd is our Vendors sale, we also are going to have a bake sale that day. March 28th is Scott County Spring Conference, at the Legion post in Dixon, Ia. Registration is at 5:30pm, supper is at 6:00pm, board meeting is at 6:30pm and meeting at 7:00pm.

2nd District Spring Conference is April 5th and 6th at the Wild Rose Casino in Clinton, IA.

The motion was made to have L.E. Clute do the poppy letters again this year. April is Children & Youth month, lets try and do something for them.

Everyone needs to turn in your hours for volunteering. Quarter awards went to Andrea, Jeanette and Marian. We had one Birthday, Lilah.

Prayer by Thea Welke and the meeting was adjourned by president Andrea Kimmerle.

Respectfully submitted by
Carletta Campbell, Secretary.



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Office Hours
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Membership Meetings
2nd Monday of the Month
Dinner—6:00pm [\$5.00]
Meeting follows

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Saint Patrick's Day or the Feast of Saint Patrick

Saint Patrick's Day or the **Feast of Saint Patrick** (*Irish: Lá Fhéile Pádraig*, "the Day of the Festival of Patrick") is a cultural and religious holiday celebrated on 17 March. It is named after Saint Patrick (c. AD 385–461), the most commonly recognised of the patron saints of Ireland.

Saint Patrick's Day was made an official Christian feast day in the early seventeenth century and is observed by the Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion (especially the Church of Ireland),^[2] the Eastern Orthodox Church and Lutheran Church. The day commemorates Saint Patrick and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland,^[1] as well as Irish heritage and culture in general.^[3]

The day generally involves public parades and festivals, céilíthe, and wearing of green attire or shamrocks.^[4] Christians also attend church services^{[3][5]} and the Lenten restrictions on eating and drinking alcohol are lifted for the day.^{[3][4][6][7]}

Saint Patrick's Day is a public holiday in the Republic of Ireland,^[8] Northern Ireland,^[9] Newfoundland and Labrador and Montserrat. It is also widely celebrated by the Irish diaspora around the world; especially in Britain, Canada, the United States, Argentina, Australia and New Zealand