



SOLDIER & CITIZEN

A Quarterly Newsletter free for our Members

American Legion Post #26

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Davenport Post #26 2013—2014 Officers

Commander	
V. Commander	Glenn Kimmerle
V. Commander	Marlene Marolf
Adjutant	Dave Jones
Sgt. At Arms	Allan Johnston
Chaplain	Ron Mueller
Judge Advocate	Don Heister
Finance	Terry Dell
Historian	Bill MacDougall
Service Officer	Chris Ekstrom

Executive Board

Tom Kirsch	Wil Ensenat
Roger Dell	Joe Seier
Rod DeBlicke	Larry Flathman

Commander Appointments

Honor Guard	
Business Manager	Nick Debolt
Bingo	Terry Dell
Membership	Dave Jones
Boy State	Marlene Marolf
Scholarships	Tom Kirsch
Website	Oscar Hawley
Newsletter	Dave Jones
Building Committee	Dave Jones


Upcoming Months' Events

November

National Membership
Retention Month

- Nov 2 - No Rentals
- Nov 4, 5:00 pm - Genealogical Society
- Nov 5, 5:00 pm - E Board Mtg
- Nov 6 - Bingo
- Nov 7 - Clean Kitchen hood
- Nov 7, 6 - 8 pm Pack Mtg
- Nov 8 - Strip Kitchen floors
- Nov 9 - Wax Kitchen floors
- Nov 10 - Put Kitchen Back together
- Nov 11, 6:00 pm Member Mtg
- Nov 13—Bingo
- Nov 20 - Bingo
- Nov 21 - Marine Corps League
- Nov 27 - Bingo
- Nov 30, 9 am - 6 pm Dessert Family Reunion

***** Remember - Always Check the Website for additional Calendar Entries, as we only have a limited amount of space. *****

<p align="center"><u>Schedule of Events</u></p> <p align="center"><u>Dec</u></p> <p align="center">Holiday Donor Blood Drive Month</p> <p>Dec 3, 6– 7:30 pm Pack Mtg Dec 3, E Board Mtg Dec 4 - Bingo Dec 5, 6 - 9 pm Military Explorer's Christmas Party Dec 11 - Bingo Dec 9 - Membership Mtg 6 pm Dec 10 - Tiger Den 6:30 pm Dec 18 - Bingo Dec 25 - No Bingo Dec 12 - Marine Corps League Nov 27 - Bingo Dec 25, 9 am - 6 pm Gaul Family Reunion</p>	<p align="center"><u>Post Everlasting</u></p> <p align="center"><u>Funerals Conducted</u></p> <p align="center"><u>October</u></p> <p>Anthony Ortiz Charles Rossmiller Clifford Wilson Dale Chrysler Earl Coker Emery Kellen John Gossen Richard Asbury Ruth Leonard</p> <p align="center">Let us always remember our fallen soldiers and what legacy they leave behind.</p>	<p align="center"><u>Post History</u></p> <p>In the year 2019, the American Legion will be 100 years old. We are going through our Post's History and putting together a timeline of our post from the Beginning to the Current Day.</p> <p>If anyone has any information such as photos, News Articles, First hand accounts of anything that happened in the life of Post 26 .</p> <p>Please Drop it off at the Post or contact me directly and I will make arrangement to Pick up the information.</p> <p>Thanks,</p> <p>Dave Jones Vice-Commander 563-570-0154</p>
<p align="center"><u>Jan</u></p> <p>Jan 1 No Bingo Jan 2, 6 - 8 pm Scout Pack Mtg Jan 5, 7 - 11 am Breakfast Jan 7, 5 pm E - Board Mtg Jan 8, 6 pm Bingo Jan 9, 6 - 8 pm Tiger Den Mtg Jan 13, 6 pm Membership Mtg Jan 15, 6 pm Bingo Jan 22, 6 pm Bingo Jan 23, 7 pm Marine Corp League</p>	<p align="center"><u>Chaplain's Message</u></p> <p>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.</p>	
	<p align="center"><u>VA Coordinator</u></p> <p>Anyone needing help with a claim or information about the VA you may contact Dave Woods at :</p> <p align="center">(563)326-8723</p>	

<p align="center"><u>BINGO</u></p> <p>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</p>	<p align="center"><u>PANCAKE BREAKFAST</u></p> <p>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.</p> <p align="center">Menu</p> <p>Pancakes, Scrambled eggs, Sausage Links, Potatoes and Biscuits and Gravy. Coffee, Juice and Milk \$7.00 for adults. This is open to the public.</p>
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Veterans! There is no free funeral!

There are many myths about Veteran's burial benefits. This Seminar will help you make sure you don't make a costly Mistake and not get what you are entitled to!

FIND OUT:

- **What the national cemeteries provide and don't provide**
- What burial benefits you and your spouse are entitled to
- What benefits have been secured for you through Dignity Memorial providers
- Is pre-planning funeral services a good idea?

The Runge Mortuary and Crematory
838 East Kimberly Road, Davenport, IA 52807

Wednesday November 6th at 6:00 pm
Dinner for you and a guest included with seminar at no cost.

Auxiliary Newsletter

Unit 26

November 2013

The monthly meeting of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 26 was held October 15, 2013 at the Legion Hall with ten members present. Before the meeting a potluck luncheon was held. Since President Andrea Kimmerle was heading to Australia Vice President Shirley Plumb conducted the meeting.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and reciting the Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion. A moment silence was held to honor two longtime members, Viola Behrens and Juanita Conchola, who passed away since the last meeting.

Thank you letters were read from Carletta Campbell, Ronald McDonald House Charities, Illinois 4-H Foundation and Schinner Commissary the Netherlands.

The letter from the Netherland thanked us for the coupons we sent then and said they are used by the marines at the consulates in Dusseldorf and Rotterdam, to our NATO contingent of Airman at Geilenkirchens air base and Headquarters Army Brunssum plus our American Civilian work force, Canadian allies Retires and their families. The coupons help them in stretching their food dollar so please keep donating coupons to our auxiliary. \$ 96,000 worth of coupons has been sent since August.

At the October 5th breakfast bake sale we took in \$ 127.00. We will hold another bake sale on Nov. 3rd so please donate one or two food items to sell at that time.

Rhonda Riede shared about the 2nd District fall conference being held at the Legion Hall on Oct 18 & 19th. Kay Schaefer showed us pretty fleece material we will use to make eight blankets in January for homeless veterans. By using several coupons each blanket will cost only \$ 13.31.

Ruth Davis gave us the latest information on the packing party on Sunday for the 300 sailors aboard the missile destroyer US Shouk which is in the Mediterranean Sea at this time. "Molly's Adopt a Sailor" program will pay the postage for the boxes of 'goodies' we will be sending them. Those present voted to have Ruth get stickers made with the American Legion Auxiliary emblem plus Molly's Adopt a Sailor emblem which will be put on the outside of each box. Each attendee wrote a short letter to a sailor which would be inserted in the boxes.

Members are encouraged to bring hats and gloves for children or adults to the November 19th meeting. We will decide where to have the Christmas party at this meeting plus is we will have a vendor fair in March 2014.

We were sad to learn our wonderful treasurer, Jeanette Smith, decided to go to Missouri to live with a daughter now that she has retired from being Post 26 secretary for 19 years. We will miss you, Jeanette.

For God and Country

Shirley Plumb, Vice President





This is Kay Schaefer and husband. Both of them did outstanding work at the ‘packing party’ of all those goodie boxes for the sailors.

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

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A Brief History of Veterans Day

Veterans Day, formerly known as **Armistice Day**, was originally set as a U.S. legal holiday to honor the end of World War I, which officially took place on November 11, 1918. In legislation that was passed in 1938, November 11 was "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day.'" As such, this new legal holiday honored World War I veterans.

In 1954, after having been through both World War II and the Korean War, the 83rd U.S. Congress -- at the urging of the veterans service organizations -- amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation on June 1, 1954, Nov. 11 became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

In 1968, the **Uniforms Holiday Bill** ensured three-day weekends for federal employees by celebrating four national holidays on Mondays: Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and Columbus Day. Under this bill, Veterans Day was moved to the last Monday of October. Many states did not agree with this decision and continued to celebrate the holiday on its original date. The first Veterans Day under the new law was observed with much confusion on Oct. 25, 1971.

Finally on September 20, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed a law which returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its original date of Nov. 11, beginning in 1978. Since then, the Veterans Day holiday has been observed on Nov. 11.