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# **SOLDIER & CITIZEN**

A Monthly Newsletter free for our Members

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#### Davenport Post #26 2013—2014 Officers

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

#### **Executive Board**

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

#### **Commander Appointments**

Honor Guard	Nick Debolt
Business Manager	Terry Dell
Bingo	Dave Jones
Membership	Marlene Marolf
Boy State	Tom Kirsch
Scholarships	Oscar Hawley
Website	Dave Jones
Newsletter	Chris Ekstrom
<b>Building Committee</b>	Roger Dell

# **Upcoming Months' Events August**

August 20 - Bingo

August 22 - District Golf Tournament

August 27 - Bingo

August 28 - Marine Corp League Meeting

# Schedule of Events September

September 2 - 17:00 E-Board Meeting

September 3 - 18:00 Bingo

September 7 - 07-11am Legion Pancake Breakfast

September 10 - 18:00 Bingo

September 15 - 18:00 Dinner Legion Membership Meeting

September 17 - 18:00 Bingo

September 25 - Marine Corp League Meeting

September 24 - 18:00 Bingo

#### **Post Everlasting**

# Funerals Conducted July 2014

Nealon Marti
Charles Sparbel
Earl Oberhaus
Richard Hughes
Barton "Bart" Toohey
Melvin "Pete" William
Michael Ranes
Irvin Leroy Awtry
James Nelson
Gary Lundgren
Willis Rosing
Lelon "Lee" Schmidt
R. Lee "Bud" Thomas
James Barton

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

#### Post 26 Auxiliary Officers 2014-2015

President - Andrea Kimmerle Vice President - Lila Hurley Secretary - Thea Wilkes Treasure - Shirley Plumb Historian - Kay Schriefer Chaplain - Seyvena Letts Sgt. of Arms - Marion Lilenthal Robert Rules - Phyllis Dengler

The new Post 26 Officers took office at the last membership meeting and will be updated/introduced in the next newsletter!

## 2<sup>nd</sup> District Golf Tourney

Your Post #26 will be hosting this years Golf Tournament for the 2<sup>nd</sup> District on Friday August 22 at the Arsenal Island Golf Course. It is open to all 2<sup>nd</sup> District Legion Members. Shot Gun start at 9:00 am.. So if you're a golfer, get a team together, or sing- up as an individual and we'll hook you up on a team. We'll have prizes, refreshments and snacks and awards, back at the post after the tourney. Limit to 30 teams, and we already have a number signed up, so get started NOW!! Detailed information and sign-up forms are available at the Post.

#### **Post Library**

Post 26 has a lending library so be sure to stop by and visit.

Feel free to borrow items and return them once you are done with them!



### 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.

### REGULAR MEETING AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY POST 26 August 19, 2014

Unit 26 held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 at the Legion Hall with ten members and one guest attending. Shirley Plumb conducted the meeting because President Andrea Kimmerle was stranded at the airport in Atlanta, GA and couldn't make it back in time for the meeting.

At 9:00 a.m. Deb Rice, Carletta Campbell, Kay Schriefer, Seyvena Letts and Shirley Plumb gathered to make eight fleece tie blankets for homeless veterans.

A delicious potluck luncheon was enjoyed by all who attended. Our special guests, Maggie Oates, told us about the marching band program at West High School and we learned the wool uniforms they are using now were purchased in 1985. They are raising money to buy new uniforms and at our last meeting Unit 26 decided to donate money to purchase six complete uniforms since West High School Marching Band has participated at every Veterans Day parade and a few other legion events since the middle 1990's. They are conducting fund raisers every quarter to raise enough money to purchase uniforms for 175 people.

A discussion was held on how members can get a copy of the monthly newsletter since they don't have a computer in their home. Hopefully a solution will be available soon for this problem.

The eight tie fleece blankets made this morning, in remembrance of 9-11, will be donated to the VA Homeless Outreach program at Rock Valley Mall in Rock Island. Ruth Davis will deliver these handmade blankets and a Unit 26 card will be attached to each blanket.

It was decided ten or more handmade laundry bags will be donated to the February 2015 Stand Down event at Post 26. The members voted to use \$ 300.00 for this project. Money left over after buying the material for laundry bags will be used to buy under garments and socks. Members voted to contribute \$ 400.00 to the Sept 18-20 2014 Stand Down project at the Expo Center in Rock Island.

Unit 26 donated \$ 100.00 to sponsor a 'golf hole' at the 2<sup>nd</sup> District Golf Tournament at the Arsenal on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

October 19, 2014 will be the next 'packing party' for Molly Adopts a Sailor program. Unit 26 has participated in this event for several years. At our meeting it was voted to donate \$ 600.00 to this special program so 'wanted items' can be purchased to put in the boxes. Donations from other people will be accepted to go inside the boxes.

Rhonda Riede was elected to be Unit 26 PR person for the  $2^{nd}$  District Bugler for 2014 - 2015. Shirley Plumb was the PR person for 2013 - 2014. Happy Birthday was sung to Kay Schriefer and Seyvena Letts. Marion Lilenthal will celebrate her  $80^{th}$  birthday at an open house at the Legion Hall on August 31, 2014. Everyone is invited to attend this event.

The Scott County 2<sup>nd</sup> District Fall Conference will be held September 25 in LeClaire, Iowa. Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Shirley Plumb

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

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#### **August Dates in History**

08/02/1990 - The Persian Gulf War began

08/04/1916 - The United States purchased the Virgin Islands

08/05/1861 - The first federal income tax was levied

08/07/1782 - George Washington created the "Purple Heart" decoration medal

08/07/1942 - US Troops landed on Guadalcanal during WWII

08/07/1964 - The U.S. entered the Vietnam War

08/09/1945 - The U.S. dropped an Atomic bomb on Nagasaki, Japan

08/10/1874 - President Herbert Hoover was born in West Branch, IA

08/12/1970 - The US Postal Service became independent

08/14/1935 - The Social Security Act was passed by Congress

08/15/1945 - V-J Day (Victory over Japan) was proclaimed

08/15/1961 - The Berlin Wall was created

08/16/1977 - Singer Elvin Presley died at his home

08/17/1969 - Woodstock Music Fair ended

08/19/1934 - Adolf Hitler became Fuhrer of Germany

08/21/1959 - Hawaii was admitted to the Union

08/24/1949 - The North Atlantic Treaty went into effect

08/30/1940 - The battle of Britin occurred during WWII

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