



**SOLDIER & CITIZEN**  
 A Monthly Newsletter free for our Members

**American Legion Post  
 #26**  
**702 W. 35th St.**  
**Davenport, IA 52806**  
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**Monday, May 30, 2016** - Memorial Day was originally called Decoration Day and was initiated to honor the soldiers for the Union and Confederate armies who died during the American Civil War.

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**Schedule of Events**

**July**

July 5 - Post 26 Executive Board Meeting @ 1700

July 3 - Post 26 Pancake Breakfast 0730-1030

March 11 - Post 26 Membership Meeting 1800 dinner and meeting @ 1830

July 19 - Post 26 Auxiliary Meeting

July 28 - Marine Corp League Meeting @ 1900

**Post Everlasting**

**Jan 2016 Funerals**

James Kerns  
William Yohe  
Alvin Carpenter  
Ned Karp  
Donato Petroccelli  
Herbert LaPore  
Carlos Dykes  
Richard Stroyan  
Larry Trosen  
Randall Smith  
Augustus Sullivan

**Feb 2016 Funerals**

Kenneth Reid  
Alvin Smith  
Hubert Testroet  
Robert Boyd  
Michael Cervantes

**March 2016 Funerals**

William Cribbs  
Curtis Dalton  
Kenneth Fralick  
John Kipp  
Cleyon Schafer  
Wayne Reiling

**Apr 2016 Funerals**

David Ryan  
Wayme Meinhardt  
Richard Beck  
Adam Miller  
William Thomas  
Charles Hoffman  
McArthur Anderson  
Don Seuden  
Gene Ahrens  
Kevin Moore  
Larry Platt  
Will Schultz  
Francis Winters



It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of a Post 26 member that significantly impacted our Post and many of its active members.

Allen D. Johnston, 83, of Davenport, passed away peacefully Saturday, May 14, 2016, at his home after a battle with cancer.

Burial was held at Rock Island Cemetery, Arsenal Island, with military honors presented by American Legion Post 26, Davenport.

Al provided a constant presence over the past years as a dedicated volunteer to our American Legion Post. Most recently he was serving on the Honor Guard and acting Adjutant. He was a past Post Commander and could be found volunteering his time at nearly every Post 26 event up until the last few months.

We pass along our condolences to Al's family and his many Post 26 friends. Al will certainly be missed here at the Post.

**REGULAR MEETING  
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
UNIT 26  
APRIL 19, 2016**

Meeting was opened by President Lilah Hurley. Prayer by Syvena Letts, Chaplain. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited as was the Preamble to the Auxiliary Constitution. Sixteen members were present.

The Secretary's report was read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and placed on file for audit.

We currently have 204 members. A new box of pop tabs has been started. \$5,000 in coupons has been sent.

Jane Cox gave a report of the ice cream social. \$114 in donations was received. Twelve people attended. Jane thanked everyone for the great desserts.

Rhonda Riede, Second District President, attended the meeting. She reported that Dorothy Furne who was the Chairman of Pages passed away. Department Convention is July 15, 16, 17. National Convention is August 26 – September 1 in Cincinnati, Ohio. Rhonda announced that there is a proposal to raise dues to \$17 effective January 17, 2017.

Poppy Days are May 6 and 7. We will be set-up at four Hy-Vee stores, Fareway and Texas Roadhouse. Discussion followed concerning the details.

April 30 is the Friendship Dinner in DeWitt. May 1 is the Girls State Tea at Post 26.

Thursday, May 26 at Rock Island Arsenal we will help place flags on each grave. In addition, we will serve hot dogs to the volunteers.

May 17 is the next Auxiliary meeting.

Nominating Committee will consist of one past president and two volunteers. Shirley Plumb, Ruth Davis and Deb Rice will be the new committee. Elections are in June, Installation in July and the new officers begin in August.

Jane Cox presented her desire to help Veterans. Andrew Gates from St. Ambrose and Rebecca from Scott Community College are the Veterans representatives. She will meet with Andrew and a female veteran tomorrow for ideas. Gail, Martha, Jane and Lilah will be the committee. Jane will invite a female vet to attend our meeting next month.

Last month the Board voted to donate \$125 for a Girls State Bus Tour to the State Capital. After bringing this to the membership, Jeanita moved that we donate \$125 and Ruth seconded. Motion carried.

Recommendation that the Auxiliary needs a new printer. Jane moved that the new printer be purchased. Carletta seconded. Motion carried.

Rhonda moved and Deb seconded that we look into the possibility of purchasing a new computer. Motion carried.

Twenty-two activity bags were assembled to be donated to the VA in Bettendorf. Deb will buy supplies for the other two bags that are stitched and ready to be filled.

Welcome back to Ruth. She showed a flag quilt that was made by her friends in Texas. It will be displayed in the Legion.

Rhonda would like to see us give membership pins to those who join.

Jeanita reported that Girls State needs a nurse during the event  
June 12-17.

Quarter awards – Mary Ann, Shirley, Thea.

Lilah reported that impact report forms are available on the website.

Water bottle labels from the Department are available to collect money for Veterans.

Rhonda moved that the meeting be adjourned. Patty seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned by Lilah and prayer by Syvena.

Respectfully submitted,

Thea Welke  
Secretary

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Office Hours  
9:00 am till noon  
Weekdays

Membership Meetings  
2nd Monday of the Month  
Dinner - 18:00 [\$5.00]  
Meeting follows

Feb/March/April 2016  
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