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American Legion #26 702 West 35th Street Davenport, Iowa 52806

May 2013

The Commanders View

Hi Legionnaires at Post #26.,

I would like to say Thanks to Larry and Monica Flathman for hosting the 5th grade Flag essay contest at American Post # 26. The 5th Grade students read there essays to the members at the April membership meeting, It was very impressive.

May 8-10 the Anniversary of the St. Louis caucus, which completed the original organization of the American Legion back in 1919.

We have a nominating Committee set up for 2013 -2014. The following members our on the Committee. Don Dorrance 563-391-8103 Chairman, Reynold Waech 563-445-0191 and Jerry Dykes 563-505-7788 are the members to contact for Officers position for the Executive Board.

The only qualification is being a member in good standing. This is your chance to make things better for the Legion. You have to have your name in for nomination before the May membership meeting.

Glenn Kimmerle
Commander
American Legion Post #26



Adjutants Notes

Birdies for Charity!!

By now, everyone should have received the "Birdies for Charity" flyer and pledge cards. Please consider taking part. There are great prizes and pledges made to the post are used to improve our museum and hallway displays! July 12 is the deadline for entries, but don't wait!!

2nd District Friendship Dinner – May 4

The 2nd District will hold its' annual "Friendship Dinner" on Saturday May 4, 2013 at the DeWitt American Legion Post – 704 9th street in DeWitt. Friendship hour is from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. All Legion, SAL and Auxiliary are invited to attend. Entertainment is again by Red Henton, with door prizes and fellowship.

Pancake Breakfast – May 5 & June 2

Your Post #26 holds a monthly pancake breakfast on the first Monday of each month, from 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. This is all you can eat for only \$7.00 – including Pancakes, ham, sausage, potatoes, 2 choices of eggs, biscuits & gravy, beverages and more. Most Mondays we are entertained by the music of Freddie Steenbock and wife. If you haven't tried this yet, come out and give it a shot!!

May 13 – Post Meeting

Your post meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month, with dinner starting at 6:00 p.m. for only \$5.00!! Meeting follows. The meal is prepared by our two gourmets, retired Army Chefs [Marty & Roger], so nothing can beat it!! If you'd like a beverage before or after your meal, the bar area is open around 5:00 and closes when the last person leaves. Come enjoy a little fellowship with your fellow Legionnaires.

Exec. Board Meeting – May 20

The May Executive Board Meeting is Monday May 20, at the post, starting at 5:00 p.m.

Memorial Day Services!! – May 26

1:00 p.m. – Oakdale Cemetery, then to Legion Circle at Memorial Park Cemetery.

2:00 p.m. at All Vets Area of Memorial {Park for VVA Ceremony.

Armed Forces Day – May 18

Will once again be held at Brady Street Stadium from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Sat. May 18.

Booth exhibits, live demonstrations, military units and support organizations, food & refreshments. Opening Ceremony starts at 11:00! Come on out and enjoy the day!!

Veterans Day at the Ball Game!!

The annual Veterans' Day at Modern Woodman Park will be held on Friday May 24, 2013. This is a joint venture between the National Guard and Post #26. Tickets for the game will be available at the post the first part of May [free]. A player jersey auction will be held after the game, with proceeds going to our post. Come on out & enjoy a great ballgame and help support your post!!

Flag Disposal – June 1

Post #26 will hold its' annual Flag Disposal Ceremony on Saturday, June 1 at the Izaak Walton League. We will load up the worn flags and equipment at 8:00 a.m. at the post & then head out. The opening ceremony should kick off by 9:00 a.m.

Boys State

Boys State will be held during the week of June 9 – 14 at Camp Dodge. Your post will again sponsor 5 high school boys, current juniors, to attend.

Orientation for those boys and their parents will be held on Sunday May 5 at 2:00 p.m. at the DeWitt Legion Post#238, 709 9th Street, DeWitt.

Marine Corps League SOS Supper!!

The Marine Corps League annual SOS Supper will be on Saturday June 29 at Post #26 from 5:30 – 7:30. Silent auction, prizes and fellowship. Open to the public.

2nd District Golf Tournament – Aug. 16 & 17

at Bellevue Golf Club. Entry fee only \$35.00, includes coffee, lunch, green fees, & prizes. More info and forms available at the office.

CHAPLAINS COMMENTS

YOU ARE LOVED

1 JOHN 4: 16 And so we know and rely on the love God has
for us. God is love, whoever lives in love lives
in God, and God in him.

ROMANS 5:5 says that the love of God is poured out in our hearts by The
Holy Spirit, Whom He gave to us. This simply means that when the Lord, in the
form of the Holy Spirit, comes to dwell in our hearts through our faith in His Son,
JESUS CHRIST, He brings love with Him, because God is love.

We all need to ask ourselves is what we are doing with the love of God that
has given freely to us. Do we reject it because we don't think we are valuable
enough to be loved? Do we believe God is like other people who have rejected
and hurt us? Or do we receive His love by faith, believing that He is greater than
our failures and weaknesses.

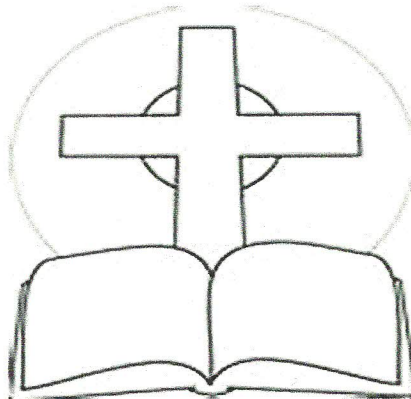
We are with ourselves all the time, day and night. We never have one minute
away from ourselves, not even one second- therefore, it is of the most importance
that we have peace with ourselves and accept God's love into are hearts. I also
encourage you to receive God's love in a fresh way today.

1 JOHN 4:10 This is love; not that we love God, but that He loved
us and sent His Son as an atoning sacrifice for our
sins.

GOD'S LOVE; PEACE; and BLESSINGS.

Chaplain Don

MAY EVENTS: MOTHER'S DAY; ARMED FORCES DAY; POPPY DAY;
MEMORIAL 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



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

Funerals Conducted April

Carl Stahler
 Frank Smith
 Kurt Dexter
 Paul Adams
 Robert Hansen
 Walter Robinson

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

Legion Post 26 Events, US Holidays

May 2013 (Central Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
			Bingo Starts At 6:00		Turners Meeting 11	NO RENTALS
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Cinco de Mayo 7am - Breakfast	6pm - SAL Mtg @	6pm - Tiger Den Mtg	Bingo Starts At 6:00	40 & 8 Meeting @ Liederfeld Meeting	NO RENTALS	
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Mother's Day	6pm - Membership		Bingo Starts At 6:00			7am - Honor Flight 3pm - Katie Corbin
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
11am - Fire Rescue	5pm - Executive	6pm - Tiger Den Mtg	Bingo Starts At 6:00	7pm - Marine Corps		
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
	Memorial Day		Bingo Starts At 6:00 John F. Kennedy's			

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9 11am - Fire Rescue	10 6pm - Membership	11	12 Bingo Starts At 6:00	13 40 & 8 Meeting @ Liederfeld Meeting	14 Flag Day	15
16 Father's Day	17 5pm - Executive	18	19 Bingo Starts At 6:00	20	21	22 1pm - Nancy Baby
23	24	25	26 Bingo Starts At 6:00	27 7pm - Marine Corps	28	29 5pm - Marine Corps
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

Membership

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



Sons Of the American Legion Squadron 26

Attention Squadron 26 members we are trying to Rejuvenate the S.A.L. We would like to see some interest in Keeping the Sons active.

If you are interested in joining the SAL or you have sons, nephews or other interested People. Please contact me for further information and meeting times and places.

Neal C. Riede
District 2 Sons of the American Legion Advisor
Adjutant, Squadron 26

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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

May 2013

The meeting was opened by the president Andrea Kimmerle. Prayer was given by Thea Welke. The pledge of allegiance and the preamble of the constitution was recite by all. We had two guests, Diane baker from the University of Illinois Extension office and Terry Hendershot from the Friendly house. Diane helps with the operation of Military Kids, Military Kids Camp, and Operation Family Time out, supporting military families and training for schools and Agencies. The auxiliary donated \$300 to her to help with military kids. Terry is Assistant manager at the Friendly house. He helps families when they need help. They gave out 350 holiday baskets. In one year they buy 79,000 pounds of food. They have a lot of food donated.

Carletta read the minutes of the last meeting and Jeanette gave the Treasurers Report. We made \$152 at our bake sale on April 7. Keep the pop tabs coming in; we clipped \$205,000 in coupons this year. Please remember to bring can goods to each meeting for the food pantry. Our next meeting is May 21, 2013. The Department President, Mary Littrell will be here.

We are receiving a lot of poppy money, for the letters we sent out. Don't Forget on May 10th and 11th we will be Selling poppies on those days.

We gave Ruth Davis \$200 so her grand-daughter could goto junior camp.

May 5, 2013 is the Meet and Greet day for the Girls state, in Oxford Junction, IA @ 1:00 pm

May 4, 2013 is the Friendship dinner at Dewitt, IA

We got the nominating committee set up; Lilah Hurly is the chairman, Ruth Davis and Shirley Plumb will assist her on the committee.

We also need a Finance meeting.

We also need to update our Standing Rules

We just made out goal for membership, we have 170 members now.

There were no birthdays in April. The quarter awards went to Thea, Andrea, and Syrena.

Hope to See you all May 21, 2013

God Bless and have a good week.

Prayer was given by Thea and the meeting was adjourned by President Andrea Kimmerle.

Respectfully Submitted by
Secretary Carletta Campbell.



2013—2014 Post Officer Nominations

Hi, I am Don Dorrance, a member of the Post Officer Nomination Committee for the 2013/2014 year that begins on August 1, 2013. Also on the committee is Jerry Dykes and Rennie Waech.

The annual election of the Post Officers will take place at the July 8, 2013 Membership meeting.

If you want to be learn more about a particular Officer position and/or be considered for nomination to a Post Officer position, please email or call one of us listed below indicating the Officer position you are interested in.

Thank you,

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Jerry Dykes
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Rennie Waech
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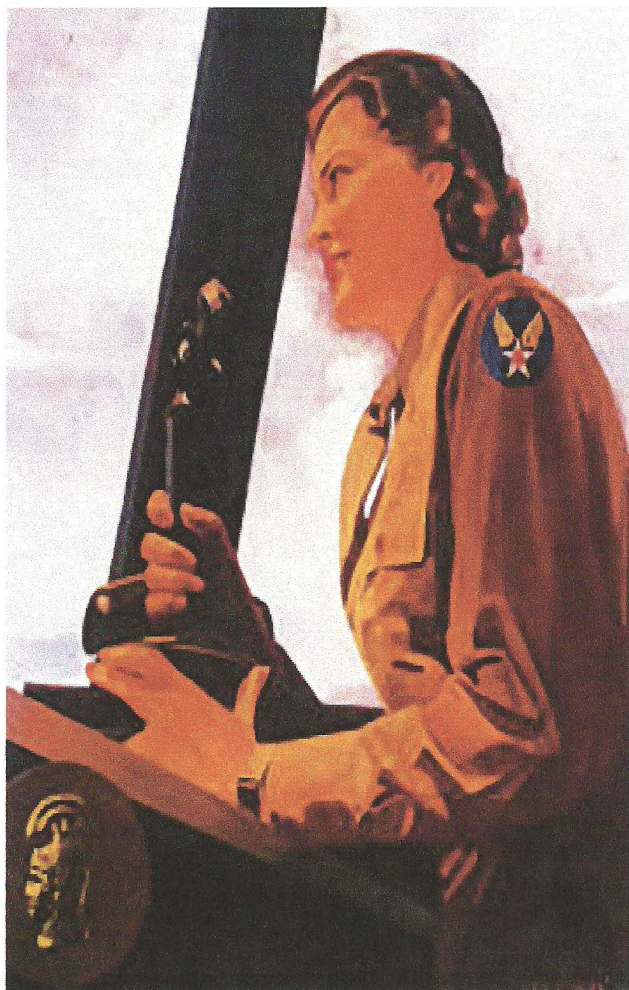
Office Hours
9:00 am till noon
Weekdays

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

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The Women's Army Corps in World War II

Over 150,000 American women served in the Women's Army Corps (WAC) during World War II. Members of the WAC were the first women other than nurses to serve within the ranks of the United States Army. Both the Army and the American public initially had difficulty accepting the concept of women in uniform. However, political and military leaders, faced with fighting a two-front war and supplying men and materiel for that war while continuing to send lend-lease material to the Allies, realized that women could supply the additional resources so desperately needed in the military and industrial sectors. Given the opportunity to make a major contribution to the national war effort, women seized it. By the end of the war their contributions would be widely heralded.

Early in 1941 Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers of Massachusetts met with General George C. Marshall, the Army's Chief of Staff, and informed him that she intended to introduce a bill to establish an Army women's corps, separate and distinct from the existing Army Nurse Corps.

The final bill represented a compromise between the two sides. The Women's Army Auxiliary Corps (WAAC) was established to work *with* the Army, "for the purpose of making available to the national defense the knowledge, skill, and special training of the women of the nation." The Army would provide up to 150,000 "auxiliaries" with food, uniforms, living quarters, pay, and medical care. Women officers would not be allowed to command men. The Director of the WAAC was assigned the rank of major. WAAC first, second, and third officers served as the equivalents of captains and lieutenants in the Regular Army, but received less pay than their male counterparts of similar rank. For example, although the duties of a WAAC first officer were comparable to those of a male captain, she received pay equivalent to that of a male first lieutenant. Enlisted women, referred to as "auxiliaries," were ranked in descending order from chief leader, a position comparable to master sergeant in the Regular Army, through junior leader, comparable to corporal, and down to auxiliary, comparable to private.