

### Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Monday, January 20, 2014

## **SOLDIER & CITIZEN**

A Bi-Monthly Newsletter free for our Members

American Legion Post #26 702 W. 35th St. Davenport, IA 52806

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# Upcoming Months' Events

### **Feb**

Feb 2 Pancake Breakfast 7-11am
Feb 4 Eboard Mtg 5pm
Pack 373 Mtg 6-8 pm
Feb 5 Bingo 6pm
Feb 7 Trivia For Vets 4pm - ?
Feb 12 Bingo 6pm
Feb 13 Tiger Den Mtg 6pm
Feb 15 Cub Scout's Blue & Gold Dinner 3pm
Feb 19 Bingo 6pm
Feb 20 Stand Down Homeless Vets 9 am - 5
pm
Feb 21 Ryan Trivia 4 pm
Feb 26 Bingo 6 pm
Feb 27 Marine Corps
League 7 pm

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

## **Schedule of Events**

## **January**

Jan 23, 7 pm Marine Corp League Jan 29, 6 pm Bingo

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## **Auxiliary Update**

The Auxiliary has not had a meeting since November. December there was a social event and January's meeting was cancelled due to the weather. Thea Welke, Secretary

## **Post Everlasting**

# Funerals Conducted December

Joel Irish Jr.
Wilford Wright
Frederick Vorschoeder
Richard Lannan
Geo. Dexter
Wm. Bennett
Earl Bragg
Norm Schoeder
Virgil Norberg
Cecil Pettigrew
Rowdy Smith
Jack Hebbeln
Ann Edwards
Edwin Iossi

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.

# **VA Coordinator**

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

(563) 326-8723

# Newsletter Editor Change

Dear Members,

As of January1st I have taken over as the Post 26 newsletter editor. I thank you for your patience with this as it has taken me some time to round up the necessary information this month.

Thanks to Dave Jones for helping me get started and for doing such a good job over the past few years. I will be trying to include some new information in future issues. If you have any suggestions for future newsletters please feel free to contact me. I welcome any advice you may have. This is your newsletter!

Again thank you for your Support.

Chris Ekstrom American Legion Post 26, Newsletter Editor chrisaekstrom@gmail.com



## **Bingo Volunteers**

We are in need of volunteer for our Bingo Operation. We accept anyone, if you have 1 or 2 hours available on a Wednesday or perhaps you can't sleep, come out and help us clean up the hall. Any available time is appreciated. If you have questions please contact:

Dave Jones—563-570-0154

# 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.

## **Oractorical Contest**



The Oratorical Contest for Iowa's 2nd District was held on January 12, 2014, 2pm at the Scottish Rites Temple in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Four contestants participated in the competition and are listed below in the order in which they placed.

1st Place—Olivia Grubbs, Davenport Post 26, Scott County

2nd Place—Katarina Newcamp, Marion Post 298, Linn County

3rd Place—Kaylee Desotel, Anamosa Post 13, Jones County

4th Place—Colby Mangler, Bellevue Post 273, Jackson County

The Department Competition will be held during the Department of Iowa Mid-Winter Conference on February 16, 2014, 8am at the Airport Holiday Inn, Des Moines, Iowa. The 2nd District Oratorical Contest Chairman is Cecil Oldridge, Walker Post 376. Thank you to everyone who participated in the contest and congratulation to Olivia for taking first place for Davenport Post 26!



Congratulations to Olivia Grubbs, Davenport, IA. The first place \$100 prize is presented by Don Arns, Commander 2nd District

# **Legionnaires and Birdies**

Your American Legion Post is very active in the support of Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Explorer Scouts, Boys State (High School aged students), the Oratorical Contest (All High Schools participate, girls and boys), many other scholarship programs (available to any graduating students in the local area), Little League teams, Police and Fire Departments, Community awards, etc.

This is where the birdies come in; as you know the Legion Post participated in the Birdies for Charity Program and desperately needs the funds received from this program to help support the above activities. Not only do we receive the amounts pledged but also this year we received a 10% bonus. What an easy way for you to assist Post 26 is raising funds that in turn help our local community. Please look for the Birdies for Charity mailing in early spring and participate as best you can to help support your Post mission for these vital activities.

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Office Hours 9:00 am till noon Weekdays Return Service Requested

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

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## **January Dates in History**

January 1, 1863—Emancipation Proclamation issued by President Abraham Lincoln

January 1, 1752—Flag maker Betsy Ross was born in Philadelphia

January 6, 1919—President Theodore Roosevelt died

January 7, 1789—The first Presidential election was held

January 14, 1784—Revolutionary War ends

January 15, 1948—Pentagon building completed

January 16, 1991—Operation Desert Storm begins

January 17, 1991—Persian Gulf War begins

January 18, 1911—1st airplane lands on a warship—USS Pennsylvania

January 22, 1973—President Lyndon B. Johnson died

January 27, 1973—Vietnam Peace Accord signed

January 28, 1986—Space Shuttle Challenger Remembrance



This list is not all-inclusive. For more information visit the website: http://www.aboutfamouspeople.com/article1213.html