



# POST #1 NEWS & VIEWS

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### FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK

Comrades,

To make sure our membership list is correct and as a reminder, the following is a list of members who have not yet renewed their membership for 2012. The cost is \$30.00

Jon Baker	David Fichtner	Emil Mateicka	Ralph Rieter
Richard Barnes	Brian Forsberg	James McKinnon	Alvin Russell
Todd Becker	Walter Gruenberg	Michael Nardelli	Danielle Shira
Lawrence Bezold	Bonnie Howard	Craig Pitzl	Terry Stillman
Patricia Clough	Ronald Kohls	Henry Polk	Ed Urlacher
Charles Cornelius	Robert Locksmith	Ervin Prahaska	Michael Vasarella
Robert Daleke	Douglas Luckhardt	George Purdy	Craig Walker
James Enott			

### POST 1 ANNUAL BANQUET

Post 1's Annual Banquet will be held April 14, 2012, at our Post home. We are asking all to pay \$5 per person for the meal as we had to put on a new roof this past year. It will begin at 5:30 p.m. with cocktails and dinner at 7:00 p.m. A program will follow with our State Commander, Denise Rohan, the first woman State Commander for Wisconsin American Legion who will be our main speaker.

### Inside this issue:

<i>From the Commander's Desk</i>	1	Reservations should be in by April 7, 2012. Please send them to the Post home at P. O. Box 321, Germantown 53022 or you can contact our Commander Jim Heimann at 262-377-2613. The dinner is for all members and wives, all Auxiliary members and SAL members. Guests are welcomed also, so let us make this another successful event.
<i>Calendar</i>	1	SEND RESERVATION TO: AMERICAN LEGION POST 1 P. O. BOX 321 GERMANTOWN, WI 53022
<i>Meeting Minutes</i>	2	NUMBER OF MEMBERS ATTENDING _____ AT \$5.00 EACH
<i>General Information</i>	3	NUMBER OF GUESTS ATTENDING _____ AT \$5.00 EACH
<i>Zimmy's Humor</i>	4	AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____
<i>Auxiliary Corner</i>	5	NAME _____

### Calendar

1/1—New Years Day	2/2, 9, 16, 23—Bingo, Post home, 7:00 p.m.
1/5, 12, 19, 26—Bingo, Post home, 7:00 p.m.	2/8—Post meeting, 8:00 p.m.
1/11—Post meeting, 8:00 p.m.	2/8—Cabin drawings after Post meeting
1/14—Washington Cnty. Oratorical, West Bend	2/29—Leap Year
1/14—County Dinner Mtg, Hubertus, 5:00 p.m.	3/1, 8, 15, 22, 29—Bingo, Post home, 7:00 p.m.
1/19-22—Wis. Mid-Winter Conf, Ho-Chunk, Baraboo	3/14—Post meeting, 8:00 p.m.
1/28—2nd Dist. Oratorical, Germantown, 10:00 a.m.	

## Minutes of November 9, 2011 Meeting of Germantown Post #1 at N120 WI5932 Freistadt Road in Germantown, WI 53022<sup>de and passed.</sup>

### Call To Order:

Cmdr. Jim Heimann called the meeting to order at 2000 hrs.

### Approval of Minutes:

Motion to dispense with the reading of the previous month's minutes was made and seconded, approved. Adjutant Greg Wolfe read the minutes of the Executive Meeting. Motion was made and seconded and passed

### Membership & Reports

(a) Membership, R. Mueller reported 190 members paid. (b) Cabin Report—Mel Ewert reported all bills are paid  
The rental fee for the cabins will go up to \$275 an increase of \$25.

### Service & Activities:

(a) Lee Murry reported a blood shortage at the blood center.

### Good of the Legion:

(a) Gordon Geil reported on his experience on the Honor Flight to the WWII War Memorial.

Meeting adjourned at 2028 hrs..

Compiled by Adjutant Greg Wolfe

## Minutes of December 14, 2011 Meeting of Germantown Post #1 at N120 WI5932 Freistadt Road in Germantown, WI 53022

### Call to Order:

Cmdr. J. Heimann called the meeting to order at 2000 hrs.

### Approval of Minutes:

Motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous month. Motion was made and seconded, approved. Adjutant Greg Wolfe read the minutes of the Executive Meeting. Motion was made and seconded and passed.

### Membership & Reports:

(a) Mel Ewert reported the cabin drawings will be held at the February 8 meeting. (b) Membership report by R. Mueller, we now have 201 members paid. (c) The County Oratorical contest will be held January 14 at the West Bend Post and the 2nd District Contest will be hosted by our Post January 28. Six to eight volunteers are needed.

### Service & Activities:

(a) Lee Murry reported the need for blood during the holidays. Please give the gift of life for someone.

### Good of the Legion

(a) It was reported, you can get a 10% discount with your Legion card at Lowes and Home Depot..

The meeting adjourned at 2023 hrs.

**LEST WE FORGET**  
James J. Stout

## GENERAL INFORMATION

(one)—January 14, 2012, the Washington County Dinner Meeting will be at the Hubertus Post with cocktails at 5:00 p.m., dinner at 6:00 p.m. at a cost of \$8.00 per person, reservations required, meeting at 7:00 p.m. Call the Commander for your reservation at least a week prior.

(two)—The 2nd District Oratorical Contest will be hosted by the Germantown Post on January 28 to begin at 10:00 a.m. Six to eight volunteers are needed to help and you are to report to the Post at 9:00 a.m. Call the Commander if you can help. It is a great experience.

(three)—CABIN DRAWING-CABIN DRAWING will be held at the Post after the Post meeting on February 8. The meeting begins at 8:00 p.m. The rental fee has gone up for the coming year to \$275 an increase of \$25. This was passed by the Executive Board and the membership. Please be there to get your reservations in. Remember, half has to be paid at this time and the remainder before your week. Contact our Chair Mel Ewert at 262-251-5919.

(four)—**SAL Sons of the American Legion—Squadron 1**—With over 200 members in Post 1, I would ask as many as possible to register your sons, grandsons and great-grandsons in the SAL. To date we have 21 members. The cost is only \$8.00 a year. Our membership has dropped a bit and I would appreciate a call from you. Call Charlie Hargan at 262-255-2381.

(five)—**As most of you know, our Post halls are rented out just about every weekend and they must be set up for the events on Friday mornings and torn down on Monday mornings and set up for Bingo. We begin at about 6:00 a.m. so we are out of there by 7:30 a.m. Basically what we do is sweep and clean the floors and set up and take down tables and chairs. If any of you can help, please contact our Commander at 262-377-2613 or Matt Holentunder at 262-628-2119. WE NEED YOUR HELP, PLEASE!!!!**

(six)—Bingo is held every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and we could use help here also so our regulars can take a break. We finish at about 9:30 p.m. and it is basically taking care of our customers with their needs. The last Thursday of each month, we give away an extra \$1,000. Please contact the Post or our Bingo Chair Karl at 262-251-4714. **WE NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE!!!!**

(seven)—**MEMBERSHIP—MEMBERSHIP—MEMBERSHIP!!!!** We are off to another year in membership. Our goal is 257 and we are at 210 members paid for 2011-2012.

“THE OLD BELIEVE EVERYTHING, THE MIDDLE-AGED SUSPECT EVERYTHING, THE YOUNG KNOW EVERYTHING” —Oscar Wilde

Just a reminder that if you have access to the internet, we can take your name off of the mailing list.

### Exec Board Notes

I would like to thank all those who were able to march in the Germantown parade and also ride in the wagon. It's a proud thing to do and a pleasure to see all the people waving and still caring for our troops.

Also: Our Honor Guard also went to the Veterans Memorial for Veterans Day and gave a gun salute accompanied by a very nice speech by our Commander Jim Heimann who has been doing a great job and also his wife Mary who also has worked very hard for the good of Legion Post.

Also: Nominations will be coming up soon for post officers. Please contact one of the officers if you so desire to become a part of a nice group.

### Zimmy's Military Humor

Soldier in fox hole:

"I don't mind the shell with my number on it. That's not what's bothering me!"

"Nope, that one doesn't bother me at all. It's the one that has written on it, 'To Whom It May Concern!' that worries me."

Earlier in that same basic training course, a private was asked by the instructor, "Suppose yourself to be on night sentry duty. Suddenly you notice a figure creeping, crawling toward camp. What would you do?"

"Sir, I'd help the officer to his quarters."

### **JUST A REMINDER**

If you have an article for the newsletter, please send it to the publisher, Marge Manske; e-mail address is [mmanske4680@msn.com](mailto:mmanske4680@msn.com).

### AUXILIARY CORNER

President, Bette Peck, 262-251-5120  
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Historian, Jan Geil, 262-253-0816  
Sgt-at-Arms, Joan Vanderheiden 262-250-1376  
Sunshine Chairperson, Janice Geil, 262-253-0816

It doesn't seem possible that we are in a new year again. The years go so fast when we have so many things we want to be able to do.

#### Badger Girls

One of our Badger Girls, Becca Mortensen, came to our November meeting to give a report on her days in Oshkosh.

It is so good for all of us to hear how much she appreciated and enjoyed being able to better understand how our country operates. This generation will be our future leaders!

#### Honor Flight

Our veteran, Gordon Geil, came to our meeting to let us know how great his trip to Washington, DC was. It was a once in a lifetime experience to visit the memorial in Washington with all the other World War II veterans. We are so glad that Gordie was able to go.

#### Veterans Day

Our commander, Jim Heimann, gave a wonderful service at the Veterans Memorial on Park and Freistadt. It was nice to see so many people attend to honor our veterans.

After the ceremony a nice lunch was set up at the post for all who attended to enjoy.

#### Christmas Party

Our last meeting for the year was held on December 14. After the meeting we had a Christmas lunch for the legionnaires and auxiliary members. It was a good way to end our activities for 2011.

#### Thought for the Day

Enjoy the little things for one day. You will look back and realize they were the big things.

Our next meeting will be at the post on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

We want to wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year!!

God bless America and all who serve.

President Bette

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<b><u>1st Vice Commander</u></b>		<b>Leonhard Kuhn</b>	414-475-9341
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<b>Matt Holentunder</b>	262-628-2119	<b><u>House Committee Chairman</u></b>	
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<b>Dave Wegener</b>	414-476-1429		
<b><u>Adjutant</u></b>		<b><u>Executive Committeemen:</u></b>	
<b>Gregory Wolfe</b>	262-250-0772	<b>Chairman: James Heimann</b>	
<b><u>Chaplain</u></b>		<b>Members: Commander, 1st Vice Comdr.,</b>	
<b>Gordon Geil</b>	262-253-0816	<b>Finance Officer, Adjutant,</b>	
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