



POST #1 NEWS & VIEWS

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FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK

As I mentioned in my last letter, May was a very busy month. I would like to thank Matt Holentunder for all his help cooking brats and hamburgers at Groths Country Gardens every weekend. This was a fundraiser for the Veteran's Memorial.

We, as a Post, had a BBQ for the little league tournament held Memorial Day weekend. It didn't quite turn out as well as expected, but we will try again next year with better ad placement and get on the map for food and beverages. A big thank you to all that helped.

Al Vanderheiden, Rich Mueller and I served as color guards for the opening of Mai Fest. Thank you, guys.

Memorial Day was well attended with plenty of members to honor our fallen comrades. A potluck lunch provided by Auxiliary and Post members was great.

On May 27 I had the pleasure of presenting Jessica Jacobson of Germantown High School with our \$500 scholarship. I also presented Christy Thatcher with a certificate of appreciation for her contribution to the Post.

June 14 was Flag Day. I hope all members flew the Flag.

I would like to mention the contribution of over 200 gift bags collected for VA Zablocki Center by Grafton Elementary School this past month. It was much appreciated by Zablocki. I gave the student council of Grafton elementary a tour of the Veterans Memorial and had them for hamburgers and chips as a thank you for their efforts. The Post also gave a certificate of appreciation and \$50 to help them in their endeavor—a worthy cause.

One of our members, Keith Kieliszewski, deployed to Iraq Tuesday, June 16. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

June 27 is the County Dinner Meeting. Please RSVP to Tony Montag at the Allenton Post.

At the July meeting Post officers will be sworn in by Dave Wegener. Please attend. July 4 is a main fundraiser for the Post. All who can help, please do.

The color guard members are all expected for the parade on the 4th. The parade starts at noon. Please be at the Post by 10:30 a.m. as we have to leave by 10:45 a.m., or 11 a.m., The wagon will be pulled in the parade for those who want to ride.

Our day of the Washington County Fair is July 22. Call Dave Wegener at 414-476-1429 to get you name on the volunteer list. There are two shifts: 10-4 and/or 4-11. This is another major Post fundraiser, so please sign up.

The State Convention is in Milwaukee from July 23 to July 26. Voting is on Saturday, July 25. Delegates, be there to vote so we get our men in. The convention is at the Wyndham Hotel near the airport.

Until we meet again, take care and keep our troops in your thoughts and prayers.

Jim Heimann, Commander

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Minutes of May 13, 2009 Meeting of Germantown Post #1 at N120 WI5932 Freistadt Road in Germantown, WI 53022

Call To Order:

Cmdr. Jim Heimann called the meeting to order at 2002 hrs.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to dispense with the reading of the April 8 meeting minutes was made and seconded and passed. Adjutant (filling in) Marty Bachhuber read the minutes of the Executive Board meeting. Motion to approve was made and passed.

Membership & Reports:

Membership—1st Vice Cmdr. Rich Mueller reported 274 members paid.

Bingo—B. Kannenberg reported bingo has been doing well the past few months and help is still needed to take care of our customers.

Service & Welfare—Chaplain G. Geil reported on members who are ill. Matt Holentunder reported on Poppy Day and that all poppies were gone in one day.

Good of the Legion:

Delegates—Delegates and alternates were selected for the State Convention in Milwaukee. Cmdr. Jim Heimann's grandson (scholarship recipient) reported on his activities at the Post.

Meeting adjourned at 2055 hrs.—compiled by M. Bachhuber

Minutes of April 8, 2009 Meeting of Germantown Post #1 at N120 WI5932 Freistadt Road in Germantown, WI 53022

Call To Order:

Cmdr. Jim Heimann called the meeting to order at 2005 hrs.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to dispense with the reading of minutes from May 13 was seconded and passed. Adjutant Greg Wolfe read the minutes from the Executive Board meeting. Motion was made and seconded and passed.

Membership & Reports:

Cabins—M. Ewert received the cabin rules from department.

Membership—1st Vice Cmdr. R. Mueller reported 275 members paid.

Scholarships—Cmdr. Jim presented a \$500 scholarship to Jessica Jacobson and a Certificate of Appreciation to Christie Thacher.

Service & Activities:

County Fair—Germantown day for the fair is Wednesday, July 22, and 18 to 20 workers are needed for each shift and there are two shifts. Contact D. Wegener to sign up.

SAL—Advisor C. Hargan reported 23 members paid.

Good of the Legion:

Post Officers will be sworn in at the July 8 meeting and they are Cmdr. —J. Heimann, 1st Vice—R. Mueller, 2nd Vice—L. Perry, 3rd Vice—M. Holentunder, FO—D. Wegener, Hist.—M. Bachhuber

Memorial—Post members volunteered to pay for the service flags at the Memorial.

Meeting adjourned at 2058 hrs.—compiled by Adjutant Greg Wolfe.

GENERAL INFORMATION

(one)—July 4—Celebrations will be held at the Post and many festivities will begin at 10:00 a.m. Our color guard will lead off the parade through downtown Germantown. The post will have a corn roast with hamburgers and brats with all the trimmings. The 4th of July drawing will be held at 9:00 p.m. Make sure to get your ticket stubs and monies in before the 4th so you don't miss your chance to win. We have the best spot to view all the fireworks. Come and join us.

(two)—The Washington County Fair is going to be held July 21 to the 26 and Germantown Post's day to work the food stand is Wednesday, July 22. We need 20 people to work it per shift. We have two shifts, first is 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and second is 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Please call Dave Wegener at 414-476-1429 or the Post at 25-251-5470 if you can help. WE NEED YOU!!!!

(three)—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. We begin at about 6:00 a.m. so we are out of there by 8:00 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 Dave Wegener at 414-476-1429.

(four)—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.

(five)—We are still having a problem with newsletters coming back from snowbirds and members who move and we have to pay for that return postage. Please contact us if you are moving and snowbirds, let us know when you head south and return. We have a web page at legionpost 1.org to view the newsletter also. Let us know if you have accessibility to the internet to cut our cost.

(six)—At the regular Post meeting, July 8, Post officers will be sworn in to their respective offices. All of last year's officers have volunteered to take on another year. Thank You to you all. This notice is to let know it is safe to come back to the meetings and not get caught with doing something to advance our Post.

Just a reminder that if you have access to the internet, we can take your name off of the mailing list and cut down on our mailing expenses. Please let us know.

Calendar

7/2, 9, 16, 23, 30—Bingo, 7:00 p.m.

7/4—Celebration at Post home, 10:00 a.m.

7/8—Post meeting, 8:00 p.m.

7/21-26—Washington County Fair, Jackson

7/22—Germantown Day at the County Fair

7/23-26—State Convention, Milwaukee

8/6, 13, 20, 27—Bingo, 7:00 p.m.

8/9—King Day at King Veterans Home

8/12—Post Meeting, 8:00 p..m.

8/17—Wash. County Council Organizational Meeting

9/3, 10, 17, 24—Bingo, 7:00 p.m.

9/9—Post Meeting, 8:00 p.m.



HAPPY 4TH OF JULY

AUXILIARY CORNER

President, Bette Peck, 262-251-5120
Vice President, Greta Hutchison, 262-251-5339
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Sunshine Chairperson, Janice Geil, 262-253-0816

Treasurer/Membership, Carolyn Wegener, 414-476-1429
Sgt-at-Arms, Joan Vanderheiden 262-250-1376
Chaplain, Shirley Van Pool, 414-463-2504

Blankets

We finished two more blankets and thank you to Mike Hutchison for delivering them to Zablocki Veterans Hospital. We received a note from the hospital thanking us; they said they would be put to good use.

Coupons

We are continuing our coupon program for service men's families stationed overseas. Mary Heimann is chairing this program and has made several mailings to Germany already.

Membership

We are desperately in need of more members to join our auxiliary. If you are a mother, wife or daughter of a veteran, won't you please consider joining the auxiliary in support of your veteran? Dues are \$16 per year or \$1.33 per month, which seems like a small price to pay in order to continue our programs helping the veterans. It is not necessary to attend our meetings if you are unable to do so. The important thing is to be a member.

District Spring Conference

Our conference in Plymouth went very well. There was a POW WWII veteran who spoke to us about being a POW in Germany. It brought a lump to your throat just listening to what our veterans went through to help keep our country free.

What can we do for them? Never enough!

Badger Girls

As I am writing this letter, our badger girls are preparing for their trip to Oshkosh from June 21 through June 26. We will have them give us a report on their experience when they return. Every year we become more excited about sponsoring two girls to participate. They always come back with glowing reports of their experience there.

Memorial Day

We had a very nice day giving honor to those who fought and died for our country. The weather even cooperated for our outside tributes. We all participated in the pot luck after the ceremony.

Poppies

The poppy drive was very successful. We distributed our poppies at several locations and the response was great! The nicest part of our day was talking to all the people who stopped by and shared their time and experience in the service with us. The veterans said when they saw the poppies it reminded them of Flander's Field where so many of our American heroes are buried. They said they couldn't just walk by and not get a poppy from us.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, July 8, at 7:30 p.m.

A Thought for Today

Education is when you read the fine print. Experience is what you get when you don't
Peter Seeger, Singer and composer

God Bless America and All Who Serve.

President Bette

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