



POST #1 NEWS & VIEWS

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FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK

This is the start of a new term for some officers and a continuation for others.

As your new Commander it is a new start for me in that capacity. I have been Adjutant for the last 5 or 6 years now. I will strive to keep our Post going in the right direction and hopefully make decisions that are not out of place. Welcome back to the other officers and to the new ones I say keep Post #1...Number One! This message is also to ALL of our members to keep Post 1 Number One!!! We need your help too, whether it be helping at Bingo, showing up for a ceremony, volunteering to help out with poppies or what have you. The fact is we are ALL needed to keep this Post going. I hope we can count on each and every one of you to help us.

Commander Greg

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Calendar

7/4—Independence Day celebration, Post home	8/2, 9, 16, 23, 30—Bingo, Post home, 7:00 p.m.
7/5, 12, 19, 26—Bingo Post home.7:00 p.m.	8/8—Post Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
7/11—Post Meeting, 8:00 p.m.	8/20—Washington County :Legion Org. Mtg.
7/19 to 22—American Legion State Conv., Middleton, WI	9/6, 13, 20, 27—Bingo, Post home, 7:00 p.m.
7/24—Washington County Fair, Jackson, Post Officers	9/12—Post Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
7/25—Washington County Fair, Germantown Post 1 Day	

**Minutes of May 9, 2012 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 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 337 members paid. (b) Cabin Report—Mel Ewert reported the cabins will be opened on the weekend of May 19 and 20. Anyone who wishes to go and help, contact him. © House Committee reported on the progress of the pool table cover, sign and the repair and painting of the outside of Post building.

Service & Activities:

(a) July 4 tickets are now available.

Good of the Legion:

(a) We received a thank you from the State Commander for inviting her to the Post Banquet. (b) The Post has received the electrical permit to get our new electronic sign up in front of the Post.

Meeting adjourned at 2042 hrs.—compiled by Adjutant Greg Wolfe

**Minutes of June 13, 2012 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) Membership report by R. Mueller, we have 237 members paid. (b) House Committee report by Karl Kannenberg is that Alpha & Omega Painters of Germantown were given the contract to paint and repair the outside of the Post and on their progress so far.

Service & Activities:

(a) Lee Murry reported on Memorial Day activities and Poppy Day sales.

Good of the Legion

(a) Elections were held and Gregory Wolfe was elected as our new Post Commander. (b) Jim Heimann reported on the 4th of July activities planned, the County Fair, State Convention and the County Dinner meeting...

The meeting adjourned at 2042 hrs.— compiled by Adjutant Greg Wolfe

Comrades: It has been an honor to have served you as Commander for the last 4 Years. I want to thank all of you that have helped me and supported me in this position. Thank You. I also want to congratulate our new Commander, Greg Wolfe, and know he will do a fine job. Just like you, I will offer my support to make his job easier. Keep our troops in your thoughts and prayers.
Jim Heimann

GENERAL INFORMATION

(one)—Congratulations to Greg Wolfe who has been elected as our Post Commander for the next 2 years. We are sure he will do a fine job for us. He has done an excellent job as our Adjutant the past six years.

(two)—The Wisconsin American Legion State Convention is July 19 to the 22 in Middleton, Wisconsin which is a suburb of Madison. The Post has four delegates attending We are sure you all have gotten your State raffle tickets so make sure you get them in for a chance to win \$20,000.

(three)—The Washington County Fair begins July 24 and Germantown Post day is July 25. We need workers all day and we will run two shifts, with the first shift beginning at 10:00 a.m. and the second shift at 4:00 p.m. Please sign up if you can help. Call the Post and/or our Commander at 262-993-0772.

(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 has 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 5:00 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 262-993-0772 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 239 members paid for 2011-2012. We only have 19 members to go to reach 100% but the way it looks now, we are not going to make it again.

MEMBERSHIP

Well, they've done it again; I am your 1st Vice Commander again. We are upon another membership year. The American Legion starts the membership for 2013 on July 1, 2012. This way we have a good lead on recruiting new members before the snow flies. I know your membership card says 2012, but we need to know how to budget for next year.

We have laid to rest the WWI vets who started the American Legion, and the WWII vets that we have left are in their upper 80's. The Vietnam era vets are over 60 now and are the ones running the American Legion. We need to look at all those who have been serving recently—those who have served since 8/2/90 for the Persian Gulf come to mind, but others are eligible from 8/24/82 to 7/31/84 for Granada/Lebanon and 12/20/89 to 1/31/90 for the Panama conflict. All those who are eligible for the GI bill are eligible for membership in the American Legion.

Paul Kastner

THANK YOU!!!!!! THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!! THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

We all have to say THANK YOU to Jim Heimann who has been our Post Commander the last four years. He put his heart and soul into the job and had his entire family involved. Jim, we just want to say JOB WELL DONE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

ARE YOU A SNOWBIRD?

(example: you live in Wisconsin from April-October and Florida from November-March)

Note: This works only if the member moves between two addresses at the same time each year. The members must provide a summer & winter address and the approximate date they move to/from each. Your post has to pay extra postage every time a newsletter is returned to us.

Name _____ 9 digit Member ID# _____

Summer Address _____

I will be there from _____ to _____

Winter Address _____

I will be there from _____ to _____

Member's Signature _____ Date _____

Please send this information to the Post at: Germantown Post 1, P. O. Box 321, Germantown, WI. 53022.

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Poppy Report

We did very well with the poppies this year. We had volunteers at the stadium one day and at the village on another day. In total, we distributed 3,000 poppies. All proceeds from the Poppy Program are used for our Veterans programs.

Badger Girls

Our two badger girls this year are: Brianna Mark and Kayla Nieman, both from Germantown. They will attend the session in Oshkosh June 17—June 22. We are looking forward to hearing all about their experiences at the session when they give us their report.

Bingo

Our bingo night at the post is going very well. We would really like to see more of you come out to play bingo and support our post. Through our auxiliary members working the kitchen every Thursday night we raise money to help our veterans.

Memorial Day

We had a beautiful day this year to honor our veterans on Memorial Day. Our Commander delivered a nice program at the Veterans Memorial which was followed by a flag disposal service at the Post. After the service a lunch was served to all who attended.

A Thought for the Day

“Don’t you believe that nice guys finish last. Nice guys are winners before the game even starts.”

—Unknown

Our next auxiliary meeting will be July 11 at 7:30 p.m.

God Bless America and All who Serve.

President Bette

JUST A REMINDER

If you have an article for the newsletter, please send it to the publisher,

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