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COMMANDER'S REPORT

Hello Fellow Legionnaires! I hope you had safe and joyful Holidays. It's a New Year and a New Day Dawning, and we would like you and your family to spend it with us. Oh, please, not the whole year, just a day here and there, or just hours with us.

In 2018 we are going to have our bowling league, darts tournaments, and shuffleboard tournament. We will throw in a couple of Euchre tournaments, and how about Social Nights and Happy Hours? When the weather breaks, we will have horseshoe tournaments and a golf tournament or two.

Some of our Post Leaders will be going to our State's Mid-Winter Conference where we will be updated on National and Department (State) Programs. They will also remind us how to run a Post and Membership Programs, and how to improve them. The Ladies Auxiliary and Sons of the Legion (SAL) will also be in Columbus. We will, hopefully, bring back to our membership updates and brand-new matters on how to run, maintain and improve an already outstanding Post like ours!

It's time to think about Post election of officers for the coming year. Denny Lahey and I will be chairing the Commander's Ticket, and Charlie Sollberger will chair the Past Commander's Ticket. You can look at the last page of this Bulletin to decide which office you would like to run for. All are open except two Trustees.

We are also interested in appointing Chairmen for some of our Committees, like Americanism, Child Welfare, VA&R (which is Veterans' Affairs and Rehabilitation)—this simply means helping our veterans at the Veterans' Administration (VA) Hospital and other veterans in need.

If you have an interest in running to fill any of these elected positions, or in becoming a chairperson, please contact either of the above-named Ticket Chairs.

In closing, I want to invite you again to come down at least to a Post Meeting, 7:00 P.M., On the first Tuesday of every month.

Our American Legion Mottos are: "For God and Country" and "For Law and Order." I believe with all my heart that if we keep these words at the top of our agenda we will all be better human beings.

For God and Country,
Lou Dimmerman, Commander

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING POST #48 FAMILY MEMBERS IN YOUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS
Mary Hughes (Unit #484 member) - Glenn Johnson's sister-in-law as she continues with medical treatment
Ron Young as he recuperates from recent hospitalization
Ron Murphy as he continues recovery from recent medical treatment

Chester Canter's sister in her continuing treatment for cancer

Lynn Sollberger, Hugh Scott, Tom Dreyer, Ken Klein, George Monroe, Bob Carr, Denny Lahey, Dave Hurst, Walt Crowait, Jim Brown, Larry Latham, Bob Ober, Marlene Collier, George Ahlrichs, Dave Robinson, Ron Leppert, Lou Dimmerman, Madalena Hanthorn, David Ficks, Warren Anderson, Jerry Harmon, Larry & Jeanne Foster, George & Lois Henson, Francis Transbarger, George McDermott and OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY MEMBERS

Dave Hurst, Chaplain

THIRD VICE REPORT

Locker rents are due in January. \$3.00 per year. Let me know which locker you occupy, along with your payment. If dues are not paid by January 31, lockers will be cleaned out. Thanks.

Gary Holden, Third Vice Commander

AMERICANISM REPORT

Our Drill Squad plans to meet during Social Night, February 19, with the intention of electing a President, along with other officers. This will be the 1st official Meeting since December of 2014.

Our squad will have representatives participate in the Four Chaplains Service at St. Boniface Church, Sunday, March 11, starting at 12 noon. Our members will stand in the front of the church bearing flags beside representatives of other Patriotic groups during the Ceremony.

February is known as the Month of Presidents:
February 6 - Ronald W. Reagan
February 9 - William Henry Harrison
February 22 - Abraham Lincoln;
February 22 - George Washington.
Thomas A Edison was born on February 11

We are happy to report that all 6 of our top scorers for gender & grades 10 through 12 also earned the top grades in the County Americanism Test. The 4 Sophomores & Juniors were also top scorers in the District, which is composed of 6 Counties. These young men and women were recognized at the Post 484 Meeting on January 2.

Glenn Johnson Americanism Chairman

SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT

On Sunday, February 18th at 11 am we will have our second annual shuffleboard tournament. We would like to invite you to come and join the fun.

It will be \$10.00 to come in. You will receive 3 beer or pop tickets and snacks will be provided. Lunch will be available for purchase.

Teams will be by luck of the draw. Food, brackets and a lot of fun. If you did not come last year, come and join the fun!!!

Mary Nash 502-4467

COMMUNITY SERVICE

"SHARE THE LOVE" to benefit SEM Food Pantry in Mt. Washington.

For this month's Breakfast Buffet, donate 2 non-perishable food items and receive \$1.00 off your breakfast cost.

We will also be collecting non-perishable food items and any monetary donations would also be appreciated. Your donation will help fill the SEM Food Pantry shelves. A box will be in the club room to drop off any food items. Liz Castle 232-5648

COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT

Crossbow hunters have been killing some of our deer in wooded areas around Stanbery Park. Culling the deer population in this manner is a solution to the problem of having illegal hunters fire high powered guns at the excess deer.

At the last Mt. Washington Community Council Meeting, representatives for the cross bow executors, and representatives for culling of deer by chemical means, spoke. Chemical control would be exercised by paid professionals firing tainted darts into the deer. This would render them unable to produce offspring. A Committee headed by Priscilla Elgersma will determine the future method of deer control.

Our Leadership will be meeting with Community Leaders to plan the July 3rd Parade. There is a need for someone to act as Chairman of the Parade. If interested, call Glenn at 752-6216.

Glenn Johnson Americanism Chairman

FISH FRY

The first Fish Fry will be **FRIDAY, JANUARY 26th**. The time will be the same as last year, 4:30- 8pm. At this dinner we will be honoring our World War II and Korean Veterans by giving them a free dinner. We will skip 2 weeks before starting the Lenten period fish fries on Friday, February 16th.

The following is the schedule for this year:

JANUARY - 26th

FEBRUARY - 16th, 23rd

MARCH - 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd,

GOOD FRIDAY - March 30th.

If you've been to a post 484 fish you will probably be back. If you haven't, treat yourself and your family to a good meal while helping your post.

EYE OPENERS

A big thank you to Dan Mugavin and Dick Ruzsa, and those who helped them for their efforts in making this long-standing event a success. It's always good but this year was even better than usual. Another well deserved thank you goes to those who brought food for the event; it was goood! The Family Members who prepared the food really succeeded in showing off their culinary skills. If you missed this party, Check out "Eye Openers" next New Years Day.

SOCIAL NIGHT DATE CHANGE

This month's Social Night will take place on the second Friday of the month, February 9th at 6:30 pm.

WEBSITE

The post website was started about seventeen years ago, at a time when few posts had them and the website is showing its age. Really good design templates have been created which make today's websites more attractive. When someone takes over as webmaster, they will have to create a new one, as this one is not transferable. As some of you know, I have actively looked for a replacement and would be happy to turn the webmaster role over to anyone who will put in the time and effort to make it work. Since that has not happened, we should try to make the site that we have work better.

When the website was started, web pages were added for Legion, Sons, and Auxiliary. These pages were set up to provide information about that particular group and its projects in the hope of recruiting members for the group. The pages are not limited in size. I set them up to show membership requirements, application forms, and officer names and photos. Each organization was asked to furnish me with the additional information and photos that they wanted to publish on their page.

This was done and the pages contain whatever the groups have given me. Very little content has been changed over the last seventeen years. It would be good for all present day committee chairpersons to visit their page and also the "More About Us" page to see if they wish to update information or start a new category of interest. These pages can be accessed from the gold colored column at the left of the Home Page. The Post 484 web address is legion484.org

Some positive things have taken place recently. Our post never had a Facebook Page, but a Legion Family member, Shannon Harwood, has set one up. There is a link to it on the post website, and the Facebook page has a link to our website. Check it out for videos of the

3rd of July Parade and more. Thank you Shannon, for doing this.

Gary Holden, founder of our Legion Riders Chapter, has contributed photos and they can be seen on the Riders web page, accessible by clicking on "Legion Riders", located in the gold colored column at the left of the Home Page. It has a photo slideshow, a copy of the Riders Charter and an application form. This sort of slideshow could be set up with Carnival and other events. Gary has also set up a Facebook page for the Riders.

Although our website lacks an up-to-date design, it can still function for us. At present, except for the good things mentioned in the previous two paragraphs, it is stagnant. There is no reason for people to visit a website that never changes. Pictures of some of the

things mentioned by Commander Lou in this month's Commander's Message would spike interest in the post and its activities, and increased interest should result in increased membership. I am not going to become the post photographer, but if you send me information and digital photo files, I will get them on line. Right now, about fifty people visit our website each week. If we can attract new viewers I really believe that some of them would become new members.

Bill Michel, Editor

VETERANS BREAKFAST

The New England Club monthly veterans breakfast will be held there at 9AM on Thursday, February 8th. The guest speaker is Don McGraw, a Son of the American Revolution, who has a large display of flags

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February 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10:30AM Bingo 7PM S.A.L. Mtg	2 6:30PM Cinti VA Hospital (clc)	3 Hall Rental Mixed Couples Bowling League
4	5 7PM Auxiliary Exec Bd Mtg 8PM Boys Soccer Assn Mtg	6 7PM Post Mtg	7 7:30PM H.C.C. Mtg @ Post #318	8 10:30AM Bingo	9	10
11 9AM-Noon Buffet Breakfast Noon Four Chaplains Svc @ St. Boniface	12	13 7PM Jr. Girls Mtg 7:30PM Auxiliary Mtg	14	15 10:30AM Bingo 6:30PM 4th District Exec Bd Mtg @ Post #69 7PM Legion Riders Mtg	16 4:30-8PM Fish Fry	17 Mixed Couples Bowling League
18 Shuffleboard Tournament @11am 2PM 4th District Euchre @ Post #199	19	20	21	22 10:30AM Bingo	23 4:30-8PM Fish Fry	24
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