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COMMANDER'S REPORT

Sorry, but this month this is not a Commander's report. Commander Lou was out of town for a few days and his return was delayed. Our goal is to make sure that the Bugler arrives at everyone's home before the first of the month so, as they say, the show must go on. I spoke with Lou and he requested that we put special emphasis on the Turkey Raffle.

If the loss of ticket sales prior to the Carnival is repeated in the Turkey Raffle pre-sale, it would not be good. We need for members to buy or sell their tickets and we also need workers. The Post depends on the Turkey Raffle and Carnival in order to survive. Some of the numbers pointed out by Charlie Sollberger and Bill Harris in other articles in this issue are troubling.

Remember that about half of the Post's financial assets are a result of donations which state that the money must be used for specific things. The money CANNOT be used for the day-to-day operation of the post. I've heard it said that fundraisers such as ours are declining in popularity. If this is so, it makes it all the more important that we come up with new ideas for fundraising. If you have any thoughts on this, or thoughts of any way to reduce operating costs, please let a boardmember know.

Changing the subject, let's go to communication. This newsletter is our primary means of getting news of legion happenings to our membership, but more and more organizations are stopping publication of mailed newsletters. I don't think that this is a good idea.

Delivery of a newsletter in the mail sort of urges people to at least look at it before dumping it in the trash with the junk mail. It takes a deliberate effort for someone to go to a website to read it on line and I believe that fewer people are inclined to do this.

I also believe that a paper newsletter encourages participation and attendance at our meetings - not great, but better than some larger posts. At present, we are mailing about 550 copies a month at a net (after advertising income) cost of about \$1800 per year. The money that would be saved by reducing the size of our mail list would be negligible.

Finally, I also believe that the newsletter would be better if more items were included. Remember that we try to be a true Legion Family and we want to publicize

ALL events. Timeliness is also important. Our deadline for submission of articles is the tenth of the month. It is inconsiderate to call people to change the addressing, sealing, and mailing date at the last moment. It is also an efficient way of losing the volunteers who do the work. Lack of respect for workers leads to a lack of workers.

At some other time, when space permits, I will write about my thoughts on the website.

Bill Michel, Editor

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING POST #484 FAMILY MEMBERS IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Marlene Collier as she continues her medical treatments
Ron D'Angina & family as they recover from Hurricane damage to their home in Cape Coral Florida

Hugh Scott as he continues medical treatment. Scotty is presently in the VA Hospital. Has been in and out.

Family of Jack Reed in passing of Jack

Ron Leppert as he recuperates from injuries sustained in a fall

Family of Michael "Mike" Murphy on passing of Mike-9/26/17

Family of Arthur Reeves on passing of Arthur -9/28/17

Lou Dimmerman as he continues recuperation from recent medical treatments

Larry Latham - Denny Lahey - Dave Hurst - Jim Brown - George Ahlrichs - Ken Klein - David Ficks - Tom Dreyer -

Dave Robinson - Madalena Hanthorn - Bob Ober -

George McDermott - Dan Carr - Warren Anderson -

Vince Montelisciani, Sr. - Gerry Harmon - Bob Burns -

Larry & Jeanne Foster - George & Lois Henson -

Frances Transbarger - Lynn Sollberger and

OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY MEMBERS

AMERICANISM REPORT

We will commemorate Veterans Day at our Post on Saturday, November 11, starting at 7 P.M. Richard Ahlrichs, former Officer in our Military, will deliver the Keynote address. A singing group from Nagel School will present the National Anthem. The award winning Drill Squad will close with a 21 gun salute, and our famous chili dogs will highlight the social gathering. Other activities are planned during Veterans Day week.

On Friday, November 10, some of our vets will

NOTICE OF CHANGED MEETING DATE

Because of the November 7th election date, the regular November meeting will be held on Thursday, November 9th at 7pm.

attend programs at Nagel Middle school, and McNicholas High School. Glenn Johnson will present a special Veterans Commemoration speech to the 7th grade at Nagel, 7:30 A.M. and expect a steak dinner to be served at our Post on Friday, November 10.

Our Drill Squad will form a Color Guard for the County Veterans Parade, Sunday Nov. 5, 2 at P.M. in Cheviot. The Squad will meet at the Post at 11:45 A.M. and leave at 12 Noon.

Americanism and Government Test will be distributed to the 3 schools served by Post 484. The 3 schools are Turpin and McNicholas High Schools, and Miami Valley Christian Academy. Based on past tests, top scores can be expected from this group. Glenn Johnson Americanism Chairman

VETERANS DAY AT MCNICHOLAS HIGH SCHOOL

Veterans Day celebration at McNick will begin at 8am with students attending a speech by Congressman Brad Wenstrup. Veterans, and their guests are also invited to attend the speech and a breakfast afterwards. Students will also attend the breakfast, and vets and students will be able to interact. Anyone who has attended will tell you that this is a very enjoyable and worthwhile event.

2017 CARNIVAL FINAL REPORT

The final results are less than I reported in the September Bugler. The net profit, according to our Finance Officer Bob Oehler, is \$ 7,764.66.

This is down from 2016 (approx \$ 10,000) . The greatest loss is from the Major Awards booth. The profit was only \$400.00 this year compared to about \$2,000.00 in 2016. There were fewer tickets bought and sold by our legion family than in the past year, which resulted in the lesser profit.

At our next carnival meeting for 2018 this item will be reviewed, as well as the other booths, to evaluate the good things and to try to improve on each part of this entire event.

Last, again I thank everyone who participated in this major project, to make it as successful as it was. A lot of hard work is spent to make this possible! Thanks again for each of you and your help.

Charlie Sollberger, Chair

COMMUNITY SERVICE

5th Annual Wine and Cheese Tasting to benefit Inter Parish Ministry.

November 4th from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM, again just in time for the Holiday Season.

Come join us to taste crisp, sparkling wines and cheeses and listen to some great music by Edde Osborne. Admission is \$7.00 and you receive four wine tastings and delicious cheeses. You can also purchase a glass of your favorite wine for a nominal fee or a bottle to take home. We will also have raffles of

various wine and cheese items.

Please come and join us to taste and learn the pairings for your Holiday wines, and help Inter Parish Ministries for the Holiday Season.

If anyone would like to donate any wine or cheese related item for the raffle please call me. Please contact myself for any questions. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the club room.

Liz Castle 232-5648

BUCKEYE BOYS & GIRLS STATE

On September 17, we had our annual BBS & BGS students at our post for dinner and a program.

There were 9 young men and 6 young women and parents, plus legionnaires and guests. In total we had over 90 people, who attended this event. A good time was had by all.

We enjoyed the speeches from all the students who shared their experiences and also the knowledge that was gained through this great program.

The BBS/BGS is a leadership program and the learning experiences gained was shown in most of their presentations. The knowledge they gained was shown through the future plans for college and profession.

The next BBS/BGS will take place next June 2018.

We at Post 484 hope to send many young people to benefit from this great leadership program.

Charlie Sollberger BBS District Chairman

CARNIVAL AND AWARDS RAFFLE PROBLEM

After a review of the results of the 2017 carnival, (profit about \$7,700) the Executive Board voted to continue the carnival in 2018.

Commander Lou Dimmerman will schedule a meeting in the near future to review and ask for recommendations to improve the 2018 event. The meeting is open to all the Post 484 American Legion Family members.

One of the major concerns from the 2017 carnival was the POOR return of the Major Awards tickets. We send out over 500 packets with 18 tickets each asking you to buy or sell them. If everyone sent back \$15.00 for them we would have a return of more than \$7,500.00. That would be a profit of more than \$4,500.00. We know that this is not going to happen but making less than a \$1,000.00 makes it difficult to understand.

We ask you to buy \$15 Major Awards and \$15 Turkey Raffle each year, which is a \$30.00 donation to your Post. You should have received the Turkey Raffle tickets in the mail this month so please sell or buy as many as you can. REMEMBER THIS IS YOUR POST AND WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT TO MEET OUR MONTHLY EXPENSES. PLEASE HELP!

Bill Harris

BUGLER ADS

There is ad space available in the Bugler Newsletter. Please contact Bill Michel at 752-0636 for more information.

VETERANS STEAK DINNER

For the past 7 years a group of young men and their families have served a steak dinner to veterans at Post 484. Ed Hughes, a member of our Sons, is the organizer of this event and he is always worried if any

Veterans will be there. The food is excellent and we have not let him down in the past. You are welcome to bring a guest to enjoy the evening. This year the dinner will be served on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10th STARTING AT 5:30 PM. Also, this is social night in the club room so you and your guest may enjoy the activities for the evening.

POST 484 MEMBERSHIP

Remember our membership drive for the Legion Family- Legion, Auxiliary and Sons has been in full swing and we need those who have not rejoined to

please send your dues in as soon as possible.

At this time the Legion has almost 200 members so there are about 115 more out there to sign up. Every year we work to reach our quota by Veterans Day but have been shot down for many years. Membership is the backbone of the Legion and we need your support in finding new members and retaining our present ones.

YOU AND YOUR MEMBERSHIP ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO THE SURVIVAL OF THE MT. WASHINGTON AMERICAN LEGION POST 484.

VETERANS BREAKFAST

The New England Club monthly veterans breakfast will be held there at 9AM on Thursday, November 9th. The guest speaker at the breakfast will be Rick Alrichs, who will speak about Veterans Day and his time in the service.

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November 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7:30PM HCC Mtg @ Post #485 (Cleves Ohio)	2 10:30AM Bingo Pull-tabs at 9AM 7PM S.A.L. Mtg	3 6:30PM Cinti VA Hospital (CLC) Delivering Election Equipment Btw 9AM- Noon	4 4:30-6:30 PM Wine/Cheese Party
5	6 7PM GENERAL ELECTION SET-UP 7PM Auxiliary Exec Bd Mtg 8PM Boys Soccer Assn Mtg	7 5:30-10PM GENERAL ELECTION	8	9 10:30AM Bingo 7PM Post Mtg Pull- tabs at 9AM	10 5:30PM Steak Dinner & Social Night	11 7PM Veterans Day Program Mixed Couples Bowling League @ Cherry Grove Lanes
12 9AM-Noon Buffet Breakfast	13 3PM Withrow HS Class of '63 55th Reunion Comm Mtg Picking up election equipment Btw 9AM- Noon	14 7PM Jr. Girls Mtg 7:30PM Auxiliary Mtg	15	16 10:30AM Bingo Pull-tabs at 9AM Set up for Turkey Raffle	17 7PM Turkey Raffle	18
19	20	21	22 5:30-9:30PM Hall Rental	23 HAPPY THANKSGIVING	24 Decorate for holidays	25 Mixed Couples Bowling League
26	27	28 7PM Post Exec Bd Mtg	29	30 10:30AM Bingo Pull-tabs at 9AM 6:30PM 4th District Exec Bd Mtg @ Post #72 (Mt. Carmel)		