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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

On June 4th, I was installed as Post 38's newest commander. I will make every effort to perform the duties of this office to the fullest of my capabilities.

A little background about me: My eligibility in the American Legion was earned by serving in the Army from 5/73 – 11/77 assigned to ASA (Army Security Agency). AIT made me a programmer/analyst in two months! I served at NSA (National Security Agency), Ft. Meade, Md. I joined American Legion Post 38 in April, 2006. I have served as Sergeant-at-Arms for two years and then went up the chairs. I am also a member of the Scarlet Guard.

Enough about me, back to Legion business...

Legion Care provides an accidental death benefit to you for just belonging to the American Legion. All you have to do is complete a confirmation form. This can be done online at www.wilegion.org and clicking on the icon that looks like the image to the right or filling out a card that you can get at Post 38 and mailing it in. Yes, this benefit is free!!

There are several upcoming events that I would like to bring to your attention:

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| August 1-5 | State Class AAA
Baseball Tournament |
| August 15 | Annual Corn Roast |
| September 8 | State American Legion
Family Golf Outing |
| October 14 | District 9 Fall
Conference |

All of these are being hosted by Post 38. Volunteers are needed to help make them run smoothly. If you are willing to help, sign up at the Post meetings in July & August or send an email to appletonpost38@aol.com indicating which event(s) you can help at and include your telephone number. A lot of raffle and door prizes are needed, also. You can bring them to the monthly Post meetings or send a message to the email address stated above and arrangements can be made to pick up anything you may have. All donations are greatly appreciated. Don't forget to check with your employers for promotional items (caps, T-shirts, cups, water bottles, etc.) to give away.



The new membership year starts July 1st. Watch for your renewals and please send them back promptly. Always keep on the lookout for new members and transfers.

I am looking forward to a great year and if you have not attended

a meeting in awhile, please make the effort to do so.

Mark F. Toll
Commander, Post 38

DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY

- 2 Post Meeting 7:00PM
- 6 Aux Exec Meeting 6:30PM
- 16 Auxiliary Meeting 7:00PM
- 18 Scarlet Guard Meeting 6:30PM
- 23 House Committee Meeting 5:30PM
- 30 Executive Meeting 6:30PM

AUGUST

- 6 Post Meeting 7:00PM
- 6 Scarlet Guard Practice 6:00PM
- 15 Corn Roast 4:00PM
- 20 House Committee Meeting 5:30PM
- 20 Auxiliary Meeting 7:00PM
- 22 Scarlet Guard Meeting 6:30PM
- 27 Executive Meeting 6:30PM

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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I'd like to "Thank" the Auxiliary for electing me as your new American Legion Auxiliary President for the term of 2012-2014. We have some new faces as officers this year. They are 1st Vice President Nancy Mysliwski, until late fall.; 2nd Vice President Phyllis Du Quette; Secretary Rose Heinz; Treasurer Debra Ragen; Poppy Treasurer, Jessica Garza; Chaplain Joan Hawkins; Sergeant at Arms Darlene Giles, and many committee chairmen. I'd like to give a big "THANK YOU" to our past officers and committee chairmen. Without everyone's support we would not be able to help the many veterans out there.

May was a time to remember the veterans who gave their all for our rights and freedoms as a US citizen. We thank them. I hope you took a moment in your own way to remember and thank them this past month. At our May meeting there was a memorial service conducted for the members we lost over the past year. Thanks to chaplain, Betty Puffer and Gwen Schwandt for the nice service they conducted.

I'd like to congratulate Mark Toll as the new commander and to the new Legion officers. We look forward to working with the Legion in the coming year. Thanks to Commander Mark Toll and the Legionnaires for including me in the Flag Day festivities. I rode in the parade with Commander Mark and Don Eiden as our driver. I had a SUPER time, thanks guys. I enjoyed visiting with State Commander Denise Rohan.

The 484th Army band at the Post after the parade was awesome. Thanks to all the Legionnaires and their families who made these festivities possible.

On July 9th, we will hold our executive meeting at 6:30pm at the club. On August 1st and 2nd we will participate with the SAL selling slushys during the State Baseball Tournament for a fund raising project.

In August or September we will be honoring our new members and some for their years of service. More information will follow.

Please keep in mind we will start collecting school supplies again, so when you are out pick up an item or two to donate and bring to the meetings. Also in July we start our membership renewals, so we invite you to renew your membership and please sign up new members.

Marian Brown
Unit 38 President

UNIT 38 MEMBERS IN NURSING HOMES:

Mary Brehm.....Brewster Village
Ermgard Deffert...Carolina Manor

Our Faithful Departed:

Joan Klitzke, April 14, 2012
Frances Burstein, May 10, 2012
Angela Green, May 24, 2012

Notices for 2013 dues to Unit 38 will be coming in August. I have enjoyed my 5 years as your membership chair person and the many contacts I've had with the members. Please note that the new membership chair person is Linda Breitzman.

Keep supporting our Unit with renewing your dues and coming to our meetings on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Gwen Schwandt

CHAPLAIN CHATTER

Happy Fourth of July.

Praise the Lord we are still ONE NATION UNDER GOD.

A common thread that connects our Nation to God is evident in the Declaration of Independence. The signers of the Declaration relied firmly on the protection of Divine Providence, the laws of God and the Providence of God.

This definition I took from Answers.Org.

Divine Providence is the means by and through which God governs all things in the universe.

The doctrine of divine providence asserts that God is in complete control of all things. This includes the universe as a whole the physical world the affairs of nations, human birth and destiny, human successes and failures and the protection of His people.

This Fourth of July let's celebrate the birthday of this great country and pray for continued Divine Providence and for peace and safety for all.

Remember His Fourth Commandment.

God Bless America!

Bob Johnson
Chaplain

ADJUTANT'S NOTES

A letter was given to me from Ed Koleske from an organization called VetsRoll. They are planning a trip to Washington D.C. this fall for World War II and Korean vets. I will bring copies of the letter to the next post meeting for anyone that is interested.

Karl Heinz

SERVICE OFFICER REPORT

Lost Members:

Frances I. Burstein 05.10.12
 Joseph Mitala 05.18.12
 Dwight (M) Lindow Whitey . . 05.24.12
 Leo Golpher 06.01.12
 Earl Boldt. 06.05.12

Recuperating at home or a Nursing Care Facility:

- Eugene LaPlante, recovering at home.
- Leroy Meinhardt is at Colony Oaks recuperating
- Don Huth is recuperating at his home in Grand Chute. Would appreciate some visitors. Call first.
- John Erdmann is at Appleton Health Care on Meade St. It is the old Franciscan Care facility north of OO.
- Richard Neubert had hip replacement at AMC and is recuperating at Recovering Inn north of Hiway 41 on Ballard Rd.
- Bob Lichtfuss had heart surgery and is recovering at home.
- Clyde Klemp had a stroke and is in Rennes Nursing home Room # 117.
- Jim Wisner had a stroke and is in a nursing home.

Please notify me if anyone is recovering from surgery or any other illnesses so I can get them in the newsletter. Thank you.

Don J Eiden
 Service Officer Post 38
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STATE GOLF OUTING

This year the State Legion Golf Outing will be hosted by Post 38.

We are looking for teams of four to join us. Teams can be comprised of members from the American Legion, the Auxiliary and the S.A.L. Any combination of 4 eligible members is acceptable.

The outing will be held at Winagamie Golf Club on September 8, 2012. Cost per individual is \$70 which includes golf, cart, dinner at the Post and drink tickets. For more information and to print an entry form, go to www.appletonpost38.org and click on the "Golf Outing" tab on the left side of the screen.

It would be great to see a large contingent representing the Post 38 community. There is one team that has submitted their entry form in May! Rumor has it that they have a ringer (Deb?).

Any questions can be directed to Laurel Weyenberg. Phone number is on the back page.

See you at the driving range!

SCARLET GUARD

A big thank you goes out to the Scarlet Guard for their participation in Memorial Day events on May 26th, 27th & 28th. Little Chute gave them a warm reception as they marched in the Cheese Fest parade. Also, they survived the heat in the Appleton Flag Day parade. They did a fine job and represented Post 38 well. OORAH!

The following events allow you to see them in action:

- June 30 Manawa Rodeo Parade
- July 3 Appleton City Band Concert at Pierce Park

There are other events in the planning stages. Every attempt will be made to keep you informed of these appearances.

As always, they look forward to new members joining their ranks. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for July 18th and August 22nd starting at 6:30 PM. If you have any questions, contact Eric Stadler. Phone number is on the back page.

Their motto says it all, "To Honor the Colors".

SPECIAL NOTICE
The Reporter is now on the Post Web Page. If you wish to read it online rather than have it mailed to you, contact
Karl Heinz 920-734-7570 or
rozkar@new.rr.com
to have your name removed from the mail list. Copies will remain on the website for one year.



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