



POST 201 INFORMER

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Tomah, WI



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2010-2011 Legion Officers

Commander: David Goldbeck
Adjutant: Gloria Aarness
1st Vice: Pete Peterson
2nd Vice:
3rd Vice: Tony Adams
Finance Officer: Vinnie Rowan
Chaplain: Bill Rice
Service Officer: John Hubert
Sergeant-at-Arms: Tony Adams
Sergeant-at-Arms: Larry Caliguire
Historian: Vacant

2011-2012 Auxiliary Officers

President: Lori Goldbeck
1st Vice: Pat Flanders
2nd Vice: Helen Stein
Secretary:
Treasurer: Rita Steffel
Chaplain: Evelyn Noyes
Sunshine/Hospital: Velma Lutz
Sergeant-at-Arms: Betty Scherer
Historian: Sue Prielipp

FROM THE COMMANDER

May meeting is the election month for the new incoming board. Come to the meeting and voice your opinion.

Last month we had a long meeting about selling the building and that got shot down. Now there is a big discussion about leasing the hall out to this other business, on a permanent basis where we the Legion will have NO ACCESS to our hall area. After two to three years this other business will want to buy the building at that time and we will be talking about this same subject again. We the Legionnaires have a beautiful building and I cannot believe that a few individuals want to give up the building.

Want you to know that I am very disappointed with everyone that wanted to sell the building and now even talk about leasing the hall area out on a permanent basis. If these Legionnaires that wanted to sell and now lease would put half their energy on this subject and put more into getting some new members to come to the meetings and help out with the fish fries and other things that we could do to raise money.

DAVE GOLDBECK
Commander

TOMAH VETERANS MEMORIAL

The dedication has been set for September 10th, 2011 and tentatively scheduled to start at 11:00 a.m. More information will be made available as the date draws near.

The cut-off date for brick/tile sales to be installed by the dedication day is Friday, April 29, 2011. After that date bricks & tiles will be added once or twice a year depending on the number received.

REMINDER: The price of a 4 x 8 brick is \$100 and the 12 x 12 granite tiles is \$250.00. We want to thank everyone again for honoring our Veterans!!!

JIM STEELE
Treasurer Tomah Area Veterans Memorial

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WEBSITE UPDATE - We've had 2700 visitors as of Sept 1st, 2008. The address is www.tomahwilegion.org . Check it out on occasion and see what we've been doing. Also visit the Auxiliary Web site at www.amlegionauxwi.org

VOITURE 804

I'm happy to see that most of our winter birds have migrated back home. Our first Promenade of the new year was held at Tomah Post 201 on April 20, 2011.

Some of the items that was on the agenda was our membership and dues. If you are a Voiture, take a look at your card and see if it is dated 2011. If not, send or bring in \$25.00 for your dues.

Don't forget, our Promenades are at 1900 on the third Wednesday of each month. We will be at Tomah Post 201. The post should be open at 1845.

ERROL MROTEK
Correspondent

AUXILIARY NEWS

At our April meeting, we voted and did REMOVE the statement, "A President shall not be eligible to consecutively succeed herself for a 3rd term."

We also voted on our new officers. The following will be sworn in at the May meeting.

President – Lori Goldbeck

1st Vice – Pat Flanders

2nd Vice – Helene Stein

Treasurer – Rita Steffel

Chaplain – Evelyn Noyes

Historian – Sue Prielipp

Secretary and Sgt at Arms are appointed by the President.

Don't forget we are going to have a POTLUCK at 6:00 prior to our 7:00 meeting on May 12th. See you all there!!!

We Serve Because They Serve
GOD Bless America

LORI GOLDBECK
Auxiliary President



BAR/HALL MANAGER

I would like to thank all members that came to support the Legion when my wife Lori and I had the bar open for the Packer games for the past 5 years.

At the February meeting we also talked about the hall rental pricing. After a long discussion a motion was made and passed to change the rental fee. The new rental fee is \$250.00 for both members and non-members, one fee for all parties. Please tell everyone you know the \$450.00 fee was lowered to \$250.00.

Remember that we have lowered the hall rental to a rate of \$250.00. Put the word out to everyone that you hear about planning a wedding or special event to call the Legion. We have had some more calls come in for rental but still have open dates for the special event that you are planning.

DAVE GOLDBECK
2nd Vice Commander

FINANCE REPORT

Checkbook Balance as of March 1, 2011: \$226.21
Checkbook Balance as of March 31, 2011: \$4964.71
CD Balances (end of Mar): \$10498.63
Fish Fry Tips (end of Mar): \$1435.00

VINCENT ROWAN
Finance Officer

INFORMER REPORT

We welcome our newest advertiser, Jim's Handyman Services LLC. I would like to remind everyone to patronize those advertisers that support our Legion.

If you have internet access and do not wish to receive a hard copy please let the Legion Commander, Auxiliary President or me know. The website is: www.tomahwilegion.org; thank you for your support.

RITA STEFFEL
Editor



UPCOMING DATES

MAY 2011

- 6 FISH FRY (Legion)**
- 6 Bob Hope's 1st USO Show, March AFB, CA (1941)
- 8 Mother's Day**
- 8 V-E Day (1945)
- 12 Legion/Auxiliary Meetings (6:00 p.m. POTLUCK!!!)**
- 21 Armed Forces Day
- 23 Place flags at Cemetery**
- 23 Honor Guard Meeting (7:00 p.m.)**
- 30 Memorial Day

JUNE 2011

- 4 Battle of Midway begins (1942)
- 5 Marshall Plan created (1947)
- 6 D-Day (1944)
- 14 Flag Day
- 14 US Army established (1775)
- 19 Father's Day**
- 22 First Day of Summer
- 25 North Korean Invasion (1950)



TOMAH VAMC - HOSPITAL NEEDS

The following items are put in Welcome Tote Bags delivered to all new inpatient admissions. Approximately 100 tote bags are distributed each month.

Welcome Tote Bags (check pattern book)

"Forever" Postage Stamps	Pens	Small Package of Kleenex
1st Class Stamps/.28 stamps	Plain Envelopes (large & small)	Small Shampoo
Combs	Playing Cards (NEW)	Small Toothpaste
Liquid Soap ONLY	Quarters for Veterans	Socks (crew style)
Pencils	Small Bottle of Hand Lotion	Tootbrushes
	Small Deodorant	Writing Tablets

Items below are those enjoyed and used by Veterans during their hospital stay:

After-shave (alcohol free)	Emery Boards	Peanut Butter Cracker Snacks
All-occasion Cards	Female Personal Hygiene Items	Pocket Novels (esp Westerns)
Artificial Lures (casting-any variety)	Frozen Pizza	Polident or Efferdent
Body Wash	Fruit	Pre-shave (for electric shavers- alcohol free)
Bread Machine Mixes	Gloves	Puzzle Books (NEW, esp large print)
Checkers & Domino Sets (NEW)	Golf Balls (new & used)	Reading Glasses
Cheese & Cracker snacks	Graham Crackers	Scarves
Coffee (regular & decaf)	Handkerchiefs	Shampoo (large bottles)
Coffee Creamer	Hard Candy	Shaving Cream
Cookies	Headphones	Shoelaces
Crackers	Jelly	Slippers (various sizes, esp XL)
Crossword & Word Search	Jigsaw Puzzles (NEW)	Stocking Caps
Puzzle Books (NEW esp Large Print)	Lap Robes (see pattern book)	Sugar-free Hot Chocolate Mix
Current Magazines	Liquid Soap ONLY	Sugar-free Kool-Aid
Dictionaries (current edition)	Mouthwash	Sugar-free Lemonade
Disposable Razors	Nail Clippers	Sugar-free Popsicles
Electric Toothbrushes	Peanut Butter	

CANNOT ACCEPT BAR SOAP, IT MUST BE THE LIQUID SOAP ONLY!!!

CANNOT ACCEPT ANY TYPE OF KNIT OR CROCHETED SLIPPERS!!!

Any of the items can be donated in-kind and in any quantities. They will be distributed accordingly to the patient wards and/or clinics. Monetary donations in any amount are also welcome and items will be purchased according to the needs. Monetary donations should be sent to ALA Headquarters in Portage with a notation if you have a particular need you wish to have your donation go to.

If you do not have a pattern book and need a particular pattern, please let me know and I will send it to you. All in-kind donations should be mailed to:

Veterans Administration Medical Center
Ms. Patricia Flanders
American Legion Auxiliary - Bldg 407, Room 1739
500 E Veterans Street
Tomah, WI 54660

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!!!