



POST 201 INFORMER

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2012 - 2013 Legion Officers

Commander: Todd Steffel
Adjutant: Gloria Aarness
1st Vice: Pete Peterson
2nd Vice: Dave Goldbeck
3rd Vice:
Finance Officer:
Chaplain:
Service Officer:
Sergeant-at-Arms:
Sergeant-at-Arms:
Historian: Vacant

2012 - 2013 Auxiliary Officers

President: Lori Goldbeck
1st Vice:
2nd Vice:
Secretary:
Treasurer:
Chaplain:
Sunshine/Hospital:
Sergeant-at-Arms:
Historian:

FROM THE COMMANDER

Greetings from your new Commander; I have been the 3rd and most recently the 1st Vice Commander. Along with Ken Larsen, I am a General Mgr. of the Post 201 American Legion Baseball team. I have taken over the “Reigns of Command” from Pete Peterson. I am following in a great Tomah American Legion tradition of Commanders. We have already had our 1st Executive Committee meeting and the personnel chosen by you have brought up numerous ideas to create events and DIY projects for the Legion Hall. I am really going out to the “Younger” Legionnaires for your assistance. Our senior Legionnaires have been “carrying the ball” for a long time and now is the time for us to step up. If you have just an hour once in awhile to help out that is all we ask. Everybody has a specialty and it can always be used here. If you know of any OEF/OIF Vets from the area that would like to join don’t hesitate to bring them to a meeting so they can find out the benefits of being a Legionnaire. Also, if you have any ideas for the good of the Legion you can contact any of your officers. I am going to put a “Suggestion Box” in the Bar area.

We will have our first monthly Fish Fry on September 7th. Pete Peterson has stepped down from managing the fish fries. Please contact me if you are interested in taking over. We are also in need of volunteers for all areas. Even helping an hour makes a big difference and is appreciated. Thank you, Pete for taking care of things these past years.

On **October 21** along with the Packers vs. the Rams game, there will be a “**Chicken-Q**” hosted by the Legion Baseball Team. ½ Chicken dinners @ \$9 or ¼ Chicken Dinners @ \$6 will be available. Advance tickets are available from me, Ken Larsen and Coach Aaron Steffel or ask at the Legion Bar. Please watch for the ad in the local newspaper.

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TODD STEFFEL
Commander

WEBSITE UPDATE - We’ve had 3633 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

Our 2013 membership cards are here. We were over 100% last year and it would be nice to do it again. We were recently called on to help a family that lost everything in a fire. The money to cover this expense came from your dues.

When Dick Laxton passed away, Alan Anderson filled in and kept the Voiture together. Al was our Chef de Gare for more than two years. We elected a new Chef in June, Rodney Helgeson.

This is a reminder, our Promenades are the third Wednesday of each month at Tomah's Post 201. We start the Promenade at 7:00 p.m.

ERROL MROTEK

Correspondent

ADJUTANT NEWS

Hope everyone had a great summer. It's a shame it was so hot. Let's welcome the following new members to Post 201: Wilferd Beaver, Allen Brown, Eric Fox, Craig Krenz, Donald Quist and James Rice.

I have not reported any deaths since January. If I missed someone, please let me know and I will send in a Last Bugle to state.

Membership figures for 2013 are as follows:

Total Members for 2013: 379

2013 Memberships Processed: 238

2013 Memberships Still Not Renewed: 141

Percentage renewed for 2013: 62%

If you haven't paid your dues yet for 2013, try and get it in as soon as you can.

GLORIA AARNES

Adjutant



AUXILIARY NEWS

Hope you all had a nice summer. It is that time of year again for our Auxiliary meetings to resume.

Please note the meetings are the second Thursday of the month and start at 7:00 p.m. sharp. Now is a great time to attend a meeting and see what is going on and to bring in new ideas and realize this is a great way to support our Veterans!

We are looking for someone to step up and be our Secretary. This is not a difficult seat; just need to have you attend the meetings. Basically you just take notes from the meetings and we give you information and a format to use. You then type your notes and e-mail them to the President and Treasurer. PLEASE let any of us know if you are interested.

Dues notices will be going out in mid September. Our 2nd Vice Helene Stein is looking at having some type of membership drive where she can provide membership benefit information and collect dues. She is getting new membership fliers regularly from Department HQs and plans on attending the Fall Informational Forum the end of September.

Our first meeting will be held Thursday September 13th at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!

We Serve Because They Serve
GOD Bless America

LORI GOLDBECK
Auxiliary President



BAR/HALL MANAGER

The Legion had a good summer with a good number of rentals but could have had more. Remind people to call the Legion to check for available dates. Please do not wait too long; we are already taking calls for 2014.

Once again Lori & I will have the bar open for our favorite football team, so come to the Legion and show your support. I will get all the dates the bar will be open for the games and post them to the website as well as the Informer.

I am still looking for a weekend to call people to help with refinishing the floors. If you can help, even for a few hours please do so. If we can get enough people we also want to pressure wash the tables off. Todd and I will bring our pressure washers over and donate the gas used to get this accomplished.

DAVE GOLDBECK
2nd Vice Commander

UPCOMING DATES

SEPTEMBER 2012

- 2 V-J Day (1945)
- 3 Labor Day
- 7 **LEGION FISH FRY**
- 8 Burton/Handy Wedding
- 9 **Packer Party (Bar Open 2:00)**
- 11 **PATRIOT DAY**
- 13 **Legion/Auxiliary Meetings (7:00 p.m.)**
- 15 Hoyles/Ladron Wedding
- 18 U.S. Air Force established (1947)
- 19 **40et8 Promenade (7:00 p.m.)**
- 21 **POW/MIA Recognition Day**
- 22 First Day of Autumn
- 29 Clark Wedding Shower
- 30 Gold Star Family Remembrance Sunday
- 30 **Packer Party (Bar Open 2:00)**

OCTOBER 2012

- 5 **LEGION FISH FRY**
- 6 McPeak/Wade Wedding
- 7 **Packer Party (Bar Open 11:00)**
- 8 Columbus Day
- 11 **Legion/Auxiliary Meetings (7:00 p.m.)**
- 13 U.S. Navy established (1775)
- 17 **40et8 Promenade (7:00 p.m.)**
- 20 Eckelberg/Franklin Wedding
- 21 **Packer Party (Bar Open 11:00)**
- 21 **Legion Baseball Chicken-Q (11:00)**
- 28 **Packer Party (Bar Open 11:00)**
- 31 Halloween