

Meeting Highlights 14 December 2021

Attendance: 25 members

Membership: State Dept. set a goal of 168 and we currently have 150 renewed or 89%. The Post leads all County Posts with **11 New Members!** The word is out and Veterans are finding good things with our Post. Be proud to be a Veteran and a member of the largest service organization in the United States and a Post that really cares. If you do not have a 2022 membership card you mostly have not renewed. You can send a check for \$40.00 to the Post payable to Post 243; Ladewig-Zinkgraf American Legion P.O. Box 416 Plymouth, WI 53073 or online at <https://www.legion.org> and look for the Renew tab.

Sick Call: Chuck Dunton

P.O.W./M.I. A: Dennis Halloran reported Seven Missing in Action recoveries in the month of November; US Army 1-Philippines, 1-Saipan, 2-South Korea, US Navy 1-Pearl Harbor, US Marine Corps 1-Pearl Harbor and US Army Air Corps 1-Burma. May they now rest in peace

Shooting Sports: DuWayne Wieck reported he has 7 students practicing for the upcoming Postal Match. He reminds the membership he has room for any youth ages 12-18 to learn safe handling and shooting. Please contact DuWayne at 920-627-1879 for more information

S.A.L.: Squadron Commander Mike Kalsbeek reported that 30 out of the 36 registered members have renewed. He also informed that the S.A.L. accepts new members that qualify as a son, grandson, stepson or adopted of a member of the American Legion, Veteran who died in service in WW I, or since World War II, or Veteran who died after their Honorable Discharge. Next S.A.L. meeting 30th Dec 6:00 PM at the Post. Blood drive at the Post December 29th, 2021 call Shawn Grothe for an appointment 920-550-9674. Squadron could also use helpers and need to be trained and again contact Shawn.

Post Insurance: Rick Zinkgraf reported that after the Post was evaluated it was appraised at 1.7M dollars for Total Replacement. Figures were based on recent fires in downtown Plymouth. There was discussion that saving some \$800.00 on the premium would put the Post Clubhouse under insured in the event of a fire. The membership voted for the cost of total replacement and would raise the yearly premium to \$5,000.00, a raise of \$1,000.00. Emergency lighting for the apartments need to be installed at a cost of \$2,000.00

State Mid-Winter Conference: The Post will be represented by the Commander, Amber Provencher Jr. and Kelly Wilfer, with Steve Conto as an alternate.

Note: Post members Neal and Deborah Dearborn will be moving out of state, to Georgia to be closer with family. They will be missed as Legion family members of this Post and Legion Riders. They could always be counted at Post events and the Post Honor Guard. We wish the safe travels and blessed transition. With the departure of Neal, Parris LaBudde will assume the duties of Sargent of Arms

NEXT MEETING JANUARY 11th, 2022 7:00 PM AT THE POST

Auxiliary Notes

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Hard to believe it's almost 2022. We had a great meal and social time in December at The Depot. Our next meeting is **January 3rd, 2022 6:30 PM at the Post.** We will be voting to update our Auxiliary Unit By-Laws, planning the Soup Extravaganza in Feb. and more. Save the date – our 2nd District Spring Conference will be in Sheboygan County on Saturday, April 30th. All Aux. members are welcome to attend the District meeting. Remember to keep track of your volunteer time and activities for our annual report. Feel free to contact me with any questions, suggestions or ideas you may have for the Unit. Karen Degner, 920-918-9772 or kdegner88@gmail.com.