

Meeting Highlights

10 May 2022

Attendance: 26 members

Membership: Welcome two new members to the Post; Peter Holentunder US Navy and US Airforce Global War on Terror Veteran and Ronald Adamczewski US Marine Corps Vietnam War Veteran. Current Post membership is at 171 or 101/8%. The Adjutant Thanks all for their renewal and efforts to recruit 15 new members

P.O.W./M.I.A.: Dennis Halloran reported that 2 Missing in Action remains were identified in the month of April 2022; US Army 1-New Guinea and US Army Air Corps 1-Romania, may they rest in peace. He also reported that between VFW Post 5612 and Post 243, 1,200 Flags were distributed to 12 cemeteries prior to Memorial Day. This year Boy Scout troop assisted in distributing 1,000 Flags at Union, St. John the Baptist, and Woodlawn cemeteries. Their help was much appreciated and they're looking forward to making this an annual event.

Scholarship: The annual \$1,000 American Legion Post 243 Scholarship Award was presented on May 11, 2022 at the Plymouth High School awards presentation. John Knorr presented the award to Shania Arneson More than 80 scholarship applications were reviewed by the committee of Dennis Halloran, Jeff Zinkgraf and John Knorr.

Sick Call: Post Chaplain Brennan Wegner

Shooting Sports: DuWayne Wieck is continuing working with the 4-H until June 2nd

Memorial Day Parade: Monday May 30th, step off time 10:00 AM. Staging area Main Street next to St. John Lutheran Church parking lot, ending at Union cemetery, in case of rain ceremony will be at Riverview Middle School 10:00 AM, Auxiliary Brat fry Drive Thru at the Depot Restaurant 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Packer Raffle: Raffle tickets will be available on Memorial Day, \$5.00 per ticket with 8 drawings Best Raffle Deal in the State! Pre-season game tickets donated as a raffle item to the Dan Seehafer for his bid to become National Commander in 2023

S.A.L.: Commander Mike Kalsbeek reported that the blood drives have been very successful, with having reached 114% of the Red Cross goal. Next donation scheduled for June 29th at the Post. **Next S.A.L. Meeting Thursday May 26th 6:00 PM at the Post**

State Convention: July 13-17 in Green Bay, the Post will be allowed 3 delegates, delegates will be selected at the June 14th Post meeting. The Commander is an automatic delegate, election of the other two if necessary if there are multiple requests to be a delegate. The Post does provide a stipend for delegates.

Donation: The Post received \$1,859.00 from the former owners of Plymouth Piggly Wiggly in the "Round Up Change" program

Honor Guard: Anyone interested joining the unit call DuWayne Wieck 920-627-1879

NOTE: There is NO Social Night in the Month of May

NEXT MEETING 14 JUNE 2022 7:00 PM AT THE POST

Auxiliary Notes

I think we are finally seeing some Spring weather! We will be holding our annual Brat Fry as a drive thru again this year at The Depot restaurant. This is our one Unit fundraiser. If you are able to help with taking food orders, taking orders to cars or help in other ways, please let me know. If you are able to assist with Poppy distribution on Friday, May 27th, we are looking to fill in some more times and locations. The Memorial Day parade will be held (weather permitting). All members of the American Legion Family will be participating together in the parade. If you would like to ride or walk along, please contact Post Commander Mark Provencher Jr. To sign up to help with our Brat Fry fundraiser or Poppy distribution, call, text or e-mail me. Poppy donations should be mailed to **Karen Degner 914 Dreifuerst Dr. Plymouth, WI 53073** Wishing you all a Happy May and I look forward to seeing you at our June meeting, **June 6th 6:30 PM at the Post.** Karen Degner, (920)-918-9772, kdegner88@gmail.com

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