Meeting Highlights 11 APRIL 2023

Attendance: 25 Members

Membership: Welcome TWO new members to our Post family; Kenneth Hellmann US Navy and Daren Doyle US Marine Corps. These two gentlemen have pushed our membership to 164 or 91.6% of the State Dept. imposed goal of 179. Big Thank You to Rody Rodencal and Don Guse for their recruiting efforts.

P.O.W./M.I.A: Dennis Halloran reported 2 M.I.A. remains were identified in the month of March 2023; US Air Force two-South Vietnam, May they Rest in Peace. He also reported that attendance for the April 8th Battan Death March Remembrance brought 25 attendees. The ceremony was posted on the Post Facebook page

Honor Guard: DuWayne Wieck reported 17 members rendered military funeral honors for a non-Legion member at Rocky Knoll

Sick Call: Chuck Dunton and Bill Balke

Shooting Sports: DuWayne Wieck reported 7 students entered the State Post Postal Shoot. The shooters took 2nd and 3rd place, the overall team trophy and 1st place in the Junior Division **2nd District Spring Conference:** The Post will be represented by Commander Mark, Katrina Glocke and DuWayne Wieck

S.A.L.: Squadron Commander Mike Kalsbeek reported membership is at 34 with a goal of 38. He gave a report on future Red Cross Blood drives. S.A.L. Meeting Thursday April 27th 6:00 PM County Commander: Commander reported the County Council is sponsoring County Youth Government Day at the Court House and Annex April 17th. If you are interested in participating please call DuWayne Wieck 920- 627-1879, 44 high school students have signed up to attend Upcoming Post Events: G.I. Breakfast Sunday April 16th 8:00Am-Noon, 71st Post Past Commanders dinner April 25th Insert enclosed, this is a night of recognition of Post members and a look at what was achieved over the past year. Just a reminder there is No Social Night in May, but a June "Bust Up" gathering. Post Elections of officers and Executive Committee members at the May 9th Post meeting. You can nominate a member or even yourself; this is the future for our 103 year old Post. Kelly Wilfer announced that the Post has been invited to present the Colors at the motorcycle races June 2nd at the County Fair Grounds **Donation:** The membership voted to donate \$250.00 to the first Military and Youth Foundation 9/11 Remembrance Event at The Bull Golf course. Military and Youth (MAY) Foundation is a newly organized Sheboygan County foundation for the development and support of Veteran and youth programing in the community. The Post is sponsoring one of the 18 holes. **Plymouth Cheese Fest Days:** The membership approved the use of the Post Parking by the 52 Stafford for an activity tent on June 23,24, & 25 2023.

Post Packer Raffle: Many organizations run several raffles during the year, in order to keep their organization functioning. Post 243 has ONE raffle and rated as the BEST Packer raffle in the State. A \$5.00 raffle ticket enters the buyer to EIGHT chances to win FOUR tickets to a Packer home game, worth close to \$500.00. Our sales have been lagging behind over the past years. In order to maintain our donations to various groups we NEED to step up sales. Next month Packer raffle tickets will be available ... <u>Please</u> do what you can for this fund raiser

NEXT MEETING MAY 9TH, 2023 7:00 PM AT THE POST

Auxiliary Notes

Our Soup Extravaganza was a success again this year. Thank you to all that helped and attended. In May we will be distributing poppies on Friday, May 26th. All proceeds benefit veteran programs. On Memorial Day, we will have our annual Brat Fry fundraiser. Sign up for both will be at our May meeting and all help is appreciated. If you do not receive the monthly meeting minutes and other communications by email and would like to, please email me at kdegner88@gmail.com and we'll add you to the list. Our next meeting will be on Monday, May 1st, 6:30pm at the Post. Hope to see you there and enjoy our spring weather. Karen Degner, President 920-918-9772