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AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIPS

The Department of Ohio American Legion will award scholarships to Legionnaires, direct descendants of Legionnaires, direct descendants of deceased Legionnaires, and/or surviving spouses or children of deceased U.S. military persons who died on active duty or of injuries received on active duty.

Applications will be available from **December 1st thru April 15th**, and may be obtained by writing **Scholarship Committee, The Ohio American Legion, PO Box 8007, Delaware, OH 43015**

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

Sunday, December 11th, 9:00 a.m. to noon

Join us for our monthly breakfast on the second Sunday of every month, now through May, 2006. It's \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for children and it's always ALL you care to eat! The menu includes: egg (any style or omelets with your choice of ham, onions, green peppers and cheddar cheese), bacon, sausage, home fries, pancakes, toast, coffee, and milk. Juice is available for an additional \$.50. Guests are welcome.

MEMBERSHIP

1st Vice, Tom Helmick reported that we now have 289 paid members for the 2006 membership year. We are nearly 100 members short of our quota and 43 members behind last years November totals. If you haven't paid your dues yet please take a moment and write that check now. Membership is the lifeblood of any organization. When it comes to the American Legion, it's the size of its membership that gives it such a strong voice in Washington and makes officials listen when they speak about veterans affairs.

AUXILIARY NEWS

V.A. "Holiday Jay" is a project to support 30 veterans in the Day Treatment room at the V.A. Clinic. Donations are needed for toiletries such as deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shaving cream and razors. The Auxiliary will also accept monetary donations to enable them to purchase the items needed. If you have any questions please contact Cheryl Smith at (614) 261-6388.

VETERANS DAY ACTIVITIES

Our Color Guard put on their annual Veterans Day program at Wesley Glen, on Saturday, November 12th. As usual, our group of dedicated ambassadors did a great job representing our post and sharing the meaning of Veterans Day with the community. The Veterans Day dinner was also a great success. Over 50 Veterans, spouses and guests enjoyed this traditional favorite. Thank you, to all the members of the Color Guard and to our ladies who prepared the great dinner.

FRIDAY NIGHT SPECIALS

Don't forget the Friday night specials. Friday evenings, 5:30 to 7:00. The meals are \$4.00 and the friendship is free. We always need volunteers to cook and serve, just sign up.

CHILD WELFARE

The Department Child Welfare Committee of the Ohio American Legion is receiving donated, used cell phones on behalf of the Children's Organ Transplant Association. You can just drop your used cell phones off at the Post. All of the donated cell phones will be turned over to Department Headquarters at the Mid-Winter Conference in Columbus, January 21-22, 2006.

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2005 Membership Renewal

Name _____
Address _____

Legionnaires - \$30.00, Auxiliary - \$20.00 and SAL - \$20.00. If you haven't paid your dues yet, just use this cut-off and mail to the Post along with your check.

MEETINGS

Auxiliary	Wednesday	December 21 st	Dinner Meeting
Legion	Thursday	December 15 th	7:30 p.m.

AUXILIARY NOTE

The December meeting will be the Christmas dinner meeting at Champ's Restaurant. Dinner is scheduled for 6:30. There will be a reservation list posted in the canteen area.

Don't forget you can now find your post on the World Wide Web. Just go to www.alohio239.org
If you need Legion caps, pins or other legion items you can get them on line as well, just go to emblem.legion.org.

Thanks, To everyone who helped with the Friday Night Specials. Keep up the good work! Thanks to Daniel, John, Cory and everyone who worked on the big OSU vs Michigan bash in support of Legion Baseball.



Merry Christmas