



LEASURE BLACKSTON POST 239

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NEWSLETTER

May / June 2013

DUTY & SERVICE

Members of Post 239: There are many opportunities in the activities and programs described in this newsletter for you to consider volunteering your time and talents. Contact your Legion Commander or 2nd Vice or the Women's Auxiliary to offer your help.

"Honor is the reward to those who answer the call to serve."

- Michael Nichols



Calendar of Events

May 12 Mother's Day Breakfast 9 a.m.-Noon	June 14 Flag Day
May 15 Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 p.m.	June 19 Aux. Meeting Champps Rest. 5:00 p.m.
May 16 Legion Meeting 7:30 p.m.	June 20 Legion Meeting 7:30 p.m.
May 20 Coffee Cart VA Clinic	June 21 First Day of Summer
May 25 Annual Post Clean-Up Day	
May 26 Boy Scouts Poppy Placement 1:00 p.m.	
May 27 Memorial Day Begins at Sunrise	



MEMBERSHIP – Just a reminder that this year's membership drive is almost over. New drive for 2014 starts on July 1st. Renew now for 2013.

POST SUNDAY BREAKFAST BUFFET – Due to preparations for Memorial Day Activities, Sunday Breakfast Buffet has been suspended over the summer (May – August) and will resume in September.

BUCKEYE BOYS STATE - The 2013 session of Buckeye Boys State begins June 10 on the campus of Bowling Green State University. Congratulations to Ben Nichols, a student at Thomas Worthington High School, who will represent Post 239

A SPECIAL THANK YOU – The Legion Birthday Dinner was well-attended and a note of appreciation to Rich Richardson and his crew for preparing and serving the Birthday Dinner. Thanks to the Ladies Auxiliary for providing and serving the birthday cake.

LEGION RIDERS – Progress is being made on meeting their goal for the Legacy Fund. A ride is planned for June 1st and proceeds from a gun raffle should put them over the top. Ask any Rider for raffle tickets.

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST – Please plan to attend the Post 239 Mother's Day Breakfast Sunday, May 12. Be "the good kid" and treat your mom to breakfast at the Post.

ANNUAL POST CLEAN-UP DAY – Your help is needed on Saturday, May 25th to help make the Post ready for Memorial Day activities. Clear up your schedule and donate some of your time to this important annual project.

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER SPECIALS – Please call the Post (888-9096) or check the Post bulletin board for dates and menus. Dinner is served from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Thanks to all who have provided, prepared and served these tasty dinners.

MEMORIAL DAY ACTIVITIES

- 6:00 a.m. Flag raising on Village Green and area cemeteries
- Breakfast at the Post for parade officials and volunteers
- 10:00 a.m. Parade
- Following parade, Memorial Ceremony at Walnut Grove Cemetery
- 3:00 p.m. Family Potluck at Post

MESSAGE FROM COMMANDER – Thank you to everyone for their support and tireless efforts that contributed to another successful year.

AUXILIARY NEWS

NOTES OF APPRECIATION – Thanks to Darlene Richardson for a memorable “Easter Egg Hunt.” We had a beautiful day (even though it looked as if it was going to rain any minute) and a good crowd of children and parents who enjoyed hunting for the “Golden Eggs.” Thanks to Betsy Bass for all the publicity for this event and Barb Murray for all the “grab bags” which we were able to provide as additional prizes. We also offer a “big thank you” to the Sharon Memorial Board and the Legion Post for their generous contributions which allowed us to provide six bicycles for all of the “golden egg” winners.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS – We will have our election of officers at our May 15th meeting. If you are interested in serving as an Officer or Committee Chairperson, please contact Sandy Goshorn as soon as possible.

OPERATION “BUNDLE OF LOVE” – The 12th District Summer Convention will be held on Saturday, May 18th at Southway Unit 144. Once again the theme of the Convention will be “Operation Bundle of Love” to benefit those women at the VA Clinic who will soon be giving birth. This year there are 29 expectant mothers in the program. Items needed include diapers, wipes, onesies, blankets, bibs, safety sets, stuffed animals, caps, hand covers, lotions, soaps, powders, etc. Due to concerns issued by the VA, we have been asked NOT to provide any furniture and/or car seats as well as home-made items. Members are asked to bring baby items to our May 15th meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, drop off your items at the Post and we will make sure they are included in our donation basket. These donations will make a big difference in the lives of those women who may not be able to afford everything needed to care for their newborns. If anyone is interested in attending the District Meeting, please contact Sandy Goshorn or Cheryl Smith for more information.

POPPY DAYS PROGRAM – It is once again time for you to think of our Veterans by donating at least \$2.00 per poppy plate that will be on display at the Post in honor of a living veteran or in memory of a deceased veteran. Order Forms are available at the Post

BUCKEYE GIRLS STATE – Congratulations to the following Worthington High School Juniors who have been selected to represent our Auxiliary at Buckeye Girls State at Mt. Union University June 16th through June 22nd.

Worthington Christian:	Natalie Francis and Molly McIntosh
Worthington Kilbourne:	Michelle Ding, Kaitlyn Napoli, and Lynn Tong
Thomas Worthington:	Kylie Hislope, Sahana Betuli Purushothama, and Jasmin Singh

Also joining our representatives will be Julia Smith, a student at Thomas Worthington, who is being sponsored by a Unit in the northern part of the State. The Buckeye Girls State Tea will be held on Sunday, May 5th at Westerville Unit 171. The girls and their families are invited to learn about what they may expect to experience viewing a video presentation prepared by Vicki Buck, Ohio Department First Vice President. If anyone would like to attend the Tea, please contact Sandy Goshorn.

VA COFFEE CART – The last Coffee Cart of this year will be on May 20th at the VA Clinic. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Cheryl Smith. Our veterans truly appreciate the snacks, candy, fruit and beverages that we provide on the Coffee Cart.

ATTENTION LADIES – Our June meeting will be held Wednesday, June 19th at 5:00 p.m. at Champps Restaurant located at 161 Campus View Boulevard. Please join us and enjoy a wonderful meal as we review our Auxiliary year. If you need a ride, please contact Sandy Goshorn.

MEMBERSHIP – It is not too late to pay your dues for 2013. Perhaps you have forgotten as we have noted that some of our long-time members have not yet paid their dues. We don't want to lose anyone from our membership so please send your dues to Marlene Derry as soon as you can.

2013 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Legionnaires - \$35, Auxiliary - \$25, SAL - \$20
If you have **NOT PAID** your dues yet, just use this cut-off and mail to the Post with you check.
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