



## LEASURE BLACKSTON POST 239

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### NEWSLETTER

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## May / June 2014

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice or the Women's Auxiliary or SAL to offer your help.

*"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."*

– Mahatma Gandhi



### Calendar of Events

<b>May 11</b> Mother's Day Breakfast 9 a.m.-Noon	<b>June 14</b> Flag Day
<b>May 14</b> Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 p.m.	<b>June 18</b> Aux. Meeting location TBD
<b>May 15<sup>th</sup></b> Memorial Day Parade Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>June 19</b> Legion Meeting 7:30 p.m.
<b>May 15</b> Legion Meeting 7:30 p.m.	<b>June 21</b> First Day of Summer
<b>May 17</b> Annual Post Clean-Up Day	
<b>May 19</b> Coffee Cart VA Clinic	
<b>May 26</b> Memorial Day Begins at Sunrise	
<b>May 31</b> Summer Dist 12 Meeting	



**MEMBERSHIP** – Just a reminder that this year's membership drive is almost over. New membership drive for 2015 starts on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Renew now for 2014.

**MAY 15<sup>th</sup> MEETING** – At this meeting, we will be voting in the officers for the 2014-2015 year as well as presenting the Police Officer and Firefighter of the Year Awards.

**TUESDAY NIGHT DINNERS** – Legion Riders will resume Tuesday night dinners starting in September.

**MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST** – Please plan to attend the Post 239 Mother's Day Breakfast Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Be "the good kid" and treat your mom to breakfast at the Post. This will also be the last breakfast of the season. Sunday Breakfasts will resume in September.

**ANNUAL POST CLEAN-UP DAY** – Your help is needed on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup> 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. We need all hands on deck, starting at 9:00 am.

**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 May 26<sup>th</sup> 2014 ACTIVITIES** – We need help in the morning before the parade starts, please be at the post between 5:30 – 5:45 am. Please see the day outlined below.

- 6:00 a.m. Flag raising on Village Green and area cemeteries
- Approximately 7:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast at the Post for parade officials and volunteers
- 10:00 a.m. Parade
- Immediately 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. We are an organization founded on the participation of our members and without you; we can't be the success that we are. We have weathered a difficult year with many losses to our organization but with so many of you to stand up and take over key roles, we have again risen to the occasion.

## AUXILIARY NEWS

**NOTES OF APPRECIATION** – A big THANK YOU to everyone who attended and supported our April 25th dinner. Total proceeds raised were \$256.00 which will help to provide the opportunity for a family to attend the “Survivors of Fallen Heroes” camp.

**GIRL’S STATE TEA** – was Sunday, May 4th at Westerville Post 171 at 2pm. Many thanks to Betsy Bass and Judy Rieder for stepping in and fulfilling Sandy's commitment to continue the Girls' State program in our unit. They selected four young ladies from both Worthington Kilbourne and Thomas Worthington High schools.

**VA COFFEE CART** – Monday, May 19th will be our last VA Coffee Cart at the Columbus facility for the 2013-2014 year. It has been most successful and all of the volunteers who assist with this project are greatly appreciated. If you care to volunteer, be at the VA facility at 8:30 am.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS** – We will have our election of officers at our May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. If you are interested in serving as an Officer or Committee Chairperson, please contact Cheryl Smith as soon as possible.

**ATTENTION LADIES** – On May 21st, we will hold our last Official Meeting of the 2013-2014 year. We will be completing our financial obligations/donations and electing a new slate of officers. Our unit needs to have every member attending and participating if we are to continue.

**MEMORIAL DAY MORNING** – This year the Auxiliary ladies will be providing a Continental Breakfast for our Legionnaires, SAL Members, Legion Riders and other participants after the 'early am' Memorial Day observances.

**OPERATION “BUNDLE OF LOVE”** – Summer Dist. 12 Conference is Saturday, May 31st at Bexley Post 430. Registration is at 9 am; meeting at 10 am. Our 2 Delegates and 2 Alternates will be selected at our May meeting but all members are urged to attend. Lunch will be provided and certificates, program awards for the district will be announced. The Bundle of Love project is being held again this year to assist the 30 moms-to-be at the Columbus VA facility. Individual unit members and/or units will be bringing new items for the little ones. Items will be on display during the morning session and then presented to Women's Health Program Manager, Maureen Taylor. Due to VA regulations, no handmade items can be accepted. Please plan to attend or call Cheryl Smith if you would like to donate item(s).

**GET-TOGETHER** – Our June 18th DINNER GET-TOGETHER location will be decided at the May meeting. The next official meeting of our unit will be Wed, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm to begin the 2014-2015 year.

**IN MEMORY** – Lastly, our Auxiliary membership and Leasure Blackston Post 239 experienced the loss of a wonderful member on March 29<sup>th</sup> 2014. Sandy Goshorn met every obligation and commitment head on; she worked tirelessly for the auxiliary unit's good. Sandy served as our Treasurer and had been our Unit President the last 5 years. She championed the Girls State program by preparing her delicious Friday Night Suppers, giving many young ladies in the Worthington schools the opportunity she had experienced years ago. Sandy gave so much of herself and she will truly be missed.

**MEMBERSHIP** – It is not too late to pay your dues for 2014. 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.

## 2014 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Legionnaires - \$35, Auxiliary - \$25, SAL - \$25  
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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