



LEASURE BLACKSTON POST 239

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NEWSLETTER



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DUTY & SERVICE

Members of Post 239: Why is it that many of you will read this newsletter, comment on it but don't participate? There are many opportunities to volunteer your time and talents. Contact your Legion or Auxiliary Officers to volunteer. Also note, Membership renewal deadline is fast approaching.

We, the People, recognize that we have responsibilities as well as rights; that our destinies are bound together; that a freedom which only asks what's in it for me, a freedom without a commitment to others, a freedom without love or charity or duty or patriotism, is unworthy of our founding ideals, and those who died in their defense.

- President Barack Obama

Calendar of Events

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| Nov. 1 Daylight Savings Ends, clocks fall back | Dec. 7 Nat'l Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day |
| Nov. 3 ELECTION DAY | Dec. 7 Coffee Cart, VA Clinic 8:45AM Meet at Columbus VA Facility VAVS Office |
| Nov. 8 Post 239 Breakfast, 9:00 am – noon | Dec. 13 Post Breakfast, 9:00 am – noon |
| Nov. 11 Slate Hill Veteran's Service 9:30 – 11 | Dec. 19 Veterans Family Holiday Party 10-2 Adventure Center 1755 East Broad MUST SHOW ID TO ATTEND |
| Nov. 14 Post 239 Veterans Day Dinner | Dec. 16 Auxiliary Meeting |
| Nov. 18 Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 p.m. | Dec. 17 Legion Meeting 7:30 p.m. |
| Nov. 19 Legion Meeting 7:30 p.m. | Dec. 25 Merry Christmas |
| Nov. 20 Blue Star Mother's Dinner | Dec. 31 Happy New Year |
| Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Day | |

MEMBERSHIP

January 1st, 2016 the National American Legion will increase dues by \$5.00. Pay your 2016 dues now (through Dec 31st) for just \$35.00 or pay the \$40.00 in January. Renew your membership now & save!

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

Come join us for our monthly breakfast always scheduled on the second Sunday of the month. All-you-care-to-eat is \$6.00 for adults, children 12 and under \$3.00. Menu includes: eggs (any style) omelets, bacon, sausage, home fries, pancakes, toast, coffee and milk. Guests are encouraged. Let someone else do the dishes on Sunday!

TUESDAY & FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER SPECIALS

Please call or check the Post bulletin board for dates and menus. Dinner is served from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. on these nights. What a better way to participate in the Post than through your stomach. Take out available! Just call ahead!

VETERAN'S DAY DINNER, Saturday NOV 14th

Free for Veterans & Active Military, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm, a home cooked meal of Pork, Sauerkraut, Hot Veggies, Mashed Potatoes, Apple Sauce and rolls with a variety of desserts. \$8.00 for non-veterans.

VETERAN'S DAY DINNER, Friday NOV 20th

The Blue Star Mothers are providing a dinner on Nov 20th – Veterans eat free. Call the Post for details.

FLAG RAISING FOR FOOTBALL

A special thank you for those who helped raise the flag at the Thomas Worthington High School home football games. We look forward to many more members representing Post 239 next season.

CARD CLUB

Card Club meets at the Post on Tuesdays at noon and Friday evenings. They are always welcoming new members. Please call the Post – 888-9096 – on Tuesday and Fridays for information.

SLATE HILL VETERAN'S SERVICE – Wednesday, Nov 11th, Slate Hill Elementary School has invited all Veteran's at Post 239 to attend their Veteran's Memorial Service from 9:30 – 11:00 am.

Veterans that would like to attend may meet at our Legion at 8:30 and then can travel to Slate Hill from there. Veterans may also meet at Slate Hill Elementary 7625 Alta View Blvd 43085. Afterwards, those who would like, we can go to Texas Roadhouse, Polaris, for a free meal for all veterans.

COMMENTS FROM THE COMMANDER

Thank you to Rich Richerson and his crew for the fantastic job at the Post Birthday Dinner. It is efforts like this that make our Post what it is. As this year comes to a close, I want to thank each and every one of you for your membership and participation in all the events at Post 239. It is your energy that keeps us going. We have a strong and active Post, thanks to each of you. I wish you and your families a happy and healthy holiday season and a good start to 2016.

AUXILIARY NEWS

Membership - Our unit is only as strong as our membership. If you have not yet paid your dues please do so. We welcome you to our unit meetings on the third Wednesday of each month @ 7 pm. Come and learn more about our programs and plans to continue serving our veterans. As a reminder, dues are only \$25.

Auxiliary Dinner - Our annual auxiliary dinner honoring our veterans and active duty military will be held on Saturday, November 14th at the post with serving from 5pm – 7pm. The menu: pork, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, vegetable, applesauce, roll & butter with asst'd cakes for dessert. The dinner is \$8.00 per person – but our veterans and active duty will eat free as our gift to them.

Columbus VA Thanksgiving Dinner - for veterans will be held on Friday, November 20th at Southway Post 144 on S. High street. Serving begins at 11:30am until 1pm. District 12 al auxiliaries are providing pies for dessert.

Coffee Cart - Our holiday coffee cart will be Monday, December 7th at the Columbus VA. We will be giving each veteran a small gift bag, handmade cards from the school children at Salem elementary school and of course snacks, coffee and fresh apples. If you would like to volunteer and travel with us thru the facility, meet at the VAVS office/kitchen area by 8:45am.

Salem Elementary School Supplies - dinners were a great success. Thanks to everyone who attended and contributed to the 4 lg. boxes of school supplies delivered to the school on 8/13/15. We raised \$ 722.00 to be used to purchase additional school supplies requested by the principal/staff through-out the year.

The Make-A-Difference Program - also succeeded in supporting the Worthington resource center and the “make it fit” foundation. Donated food and \$ 301.00 were presented to the Worthington resource pantry and our check in the amount of \$ 301.00 was given to the make-it-fit foundation to continue their charitable work “locally” with the Ohio ride for autism; the outrun autism 5k; the all about autism car show and the cerebral palsy ride.

90th Birthday Wishes - Mary Grazer will celebrate her 90th birthday on Saturday, December 12th. She is now in San Jose, California near her daughter's family; but she remains in our thoughts and loves to keep updated on our legion family activities. Her address is: 1185 Pedro Street, #203, San Jose, California 95126-3757

What's In Your Cupboard? Check the boxes of Cheerios, Ziploc bags & Betty Crocker mixes for those valuable “Box Tops for Education.” Please save them and bring them to the Post. There's a receptacle for them in the lounge. What a simple way to support education at the very appreciative Salem Elementary School.

2015 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Legionnaires - \$35 until Dec 31st2015 \$40 January 1st 2016, Auxiliary - \$25, SAL - \$25
If you have **NOT PAID** your dues yet, just use this cut-off and mail to the Post with your check.
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