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OCTOBER 2005 NEWSLETTER

PATRIOT DAY CEREMONY

The mood was somber, the weather ideal and the turnout was better than last year. Mayor Minton presented a proclamation commemorating September 11th as Patriot Day. Our special guests were four members of Lima Co USMC. They were all recent returnees from Operation Iraqi Freedom, three of whom were on medical leave. Miss Jessica Esch, a senior at Thomas Worthington HS and one of our Buckeye Girl Staters, pleased everyone with her beautiful solo renditions of The Star Spangled Banner and Amazing Grace. Our bagpipers, Don Struthers and Dick Lever helped close the ceremony.

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 9th, 9:00 a.m. to noon

Join us for our monthly breakfast on the second Sunday of every month, September through May. It's only \$5.00 for adults and \$2:00 for children and it's always ALL you care to eat!

MEMBERSHIP

1st Vice, Tom Helmick reports that he has turned in a total of 232 memberships so far. This is about 55% of our quota. With Veteran's Day less than a month and a half away, I urge you to send in your 2006 membership renewal. If you can't find the notice sent to you from National HQ, just use the convenient cut off on the back of this newsletter.

HURRICANE KATRINA

The devastation wreaked by hurricane Katrina is unimaginable by most of us living in the Midwest. The people of Louisiana and Mississippi have suffered not only huge property and financial loss, but great loss of life. Resources dedicated to the recovery operations have been stretched to the limit and hurricane season isn't over yet. The American Legion National Emergency Fund is dedicated to assist veterans who need help after this sort of disaster strikes. A "NEF" donation jar will be located in the Post canteen. If you would like to send a check, make it payable to American Legion Post 239, mark National Emergency Relief Fund on the check and mail it to The Post, attention Commander.

FRIDAY NIGHT SPECIALS

Don't forget the Friday Night Specials. Friday evenings, 5:30 to 7:00pm. The meals are always \$4.00 and the friendship is free. We need volunteers to cook and serve and you can sign-up in the canteen. We also need folks who want to eat, so come in and join the crowd.

HELPING VETS IN NEED

Cheryl Smith will begin collecting items to assist needy veterans and their families, who will be attending the October Standown at Vet's Memorial. Socks, Socks and more Socks are the key items needed. Please bring your sock donations to the Post and leave them in the collection box, in the Post Canteen. Call Cheryl Smith, 261-6388, for more information.

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2005 Membership Renewal

Name: _____

Address: _____

Legionnaires - \$30.00; Auxiliary - \$20.00; 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	October 19 th	7:00pm
Legion	Thursday	October 20 th	7:30pm
Exec Comm	Thursday	October 20 th	7:00pm

OSU FOOTBALL SATURDAYS are always a good time at The Post. Com'on and join us as we help Coach Tressel figure out how to win the Big Ten title.



239 ON LINE S.A.L. Commander, Matt Favret has now got the Post 239 web site up and running. If you have access to the internet please visit us on the world wide web, at www.alohio239.org. Let Matt know how you like it. If you need to order any Legion caps, clothing, pins, emblems, etc. you can do it online at www.emblem.legion.org.



THANKS, To Sandy, Melanie, Nancy, Rita, Arlene, Mary D. Joyce, the Breakfast Crew and everyone who helps keep our bellies full.