



LEASURE BLACKSTON POST 239

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NEWSLETTER

September / October 2014

DUTY & SERVICE

Legion and Auxiliary members have willingly agreed to serve as officers. Paying membership dues is the next step for everyone. Your volunteer efforts are important in maintaining the viability of this Post. Contact your Commander or Second Vice for ways that you can offer your service.

We make a living by what we do, but we make a life by what we give.

-Winston Churchill



Calendar of Events



Sept. 1 Labor Day Cookout 3:00 p.m.
Sept. 5 Flag Raising 7:00 pm @ TWSA Football
Sept. 11 Patriot Day at Village Green Noon
Sept. 12 VA End of Summer Cookout 10:45 am
Sept. 12 Flag Raising 7:00 pm @ TWSA Football
Sept. 14 Post Breakfast 9:00 a.m. - Noon
Sept. 17 Auxiliary Mtg. 6:30 p.m.
Sept. 18 Legion Mtg. 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 26 Flag Raising 7:00 pm @ TWSA Football
Sept. 19-20 School of Instr, Deer Creek State Park

Oct. 12 Post Breakfast 9:00 a.m. - Noon
Oct. 15 Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 p.m.
Oct. 16 Legion Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 17 Flag Raising 7:00 pm @ TWSA Football
Oct. 20 Coffee Cart, VA Clinic
Oct. 21 Veteran's Stand Down
Oct. 31 Beggar's Night 6-8 pm (Worthington)
Oct. 31 Flag Raising 7:00 pm @ TWSA Football

2014-2015 Legion Officers

Commander - David Kelly
1st Vice Commander - J.L. Favret
2nd Vice Commander – Mark Goyer
Finance Officer - Terry Siemer
Service Office – Rich Richardson

Sgt.-at-Arms - Tom Helmich
Adjutant – Dan Sayre
Chaplain - John Forsythe
S.A.L. Commander - Matt Favret
Event Coordinator – Dan Murphy

LABOR DAY COOKOUT - Monday, September 1st at 3:00 -6:00 p.m. Bring a side dish or dessert (for eight) to share. Look forward to seeing you there!

MONTHLY BREAKFASTS – Resume Sunday, Sept. 14th and will continue on the second Sunday of each month, September through May. Adult prices for all-you-care-to-eat is \$6.00 and children 12 and under \$3.00. Menu includes: eggs (any style) omelets, bacon, sausage, hash browns, pancakes, toast, coffee, milk and orange juice.

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 pm on those nights. If there are no volunteers to prepare a dinner on a Friday, the Post Operating Committee will serve pizza, hot dogs or subs. Call the Post for details (614-888-9096)

MEMBERSHIP – Dues for 2014 may be paid now using the form below. Send or bring your check to the Post. Early renewal earns cash awards for the Post and has earned the Post \$100. Our membership renewal is 188.

TWHS FOOTBALL – Our Post will conduct the flag raising ceremony prior to all TWHS home football games. The Fall schedule is posted on the Post bulletin board & here in the Calendar of events. This activity involves only a few minutes of your time. Please arrive at 6:45 pm at the Post to carpool down to the Football Game.

AUXILIARY NEWS

2014-2015 Auxiliary Officers

President – Cheryl Smith
First Vice-President – Barbara O'Connor
Second Vice-President – Darlene Richardson
Secretary & Membership– Barbara O'Connor

Treasurer – Cheryl Smith
Historian – Laura Favret
Chaplain – Barbara Murray
Sergeant-at-Arms – Betsy Bass

END OF SUMMER PICNIC – September 12th, Friday on the West Lawn of the Columbus VA Facility. Lots of Fun and food; come and volunteer – be there by 10:45 am

FIRST MEETING OF THE YEAR – on Wednesday, September 17th. **Please note that the meeting will begin at 6:30 pm** with installation of officers by 12th dist. President Mary Lee Mercier and we'll continue with our regular meeting. Our buckeye girls State attendees will arrive at 7:30 pm to share their experiences. Cake and Punch will be served.

“BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION” – will be collected again this year by the Auxiliary. A receptacle will be placed at the Post for members to drop off their “Box Tops.” They will be given to our adopted school.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION for auxiliary officers and program chairman will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 19th & 20th at Deer Creek Lodge & Conference Center. The plans of action will be discussed; our new program “service to our veterans” will be revealed and a special speaker will explain the president's project for this year - “the Battle Buddy Foundation”. Contact Cheryl Smith for more information @ 261-6388.

VA COFFEE CART – We will coordinate with the VAVS office at the Columbus VA to provide the “roving coffee cart and snacks” for our veterans on Monday, October 20th. We provide coffee, tea, cocoa and snacks to all the veterans in the Columbus facility. If you wish to volunteer, please call Cheryl Smith

VETERAN'S STAND DOWN – October 21st is the date, but the details are still tentative but we will advise details once they are confirmed. . We will be collecting toothbrushes (multi packs available), toothpaste, bar soap and washcloths to help those veterans in need or who are homeless. Look for the donation box at the Post.

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS – Our “special program / event” dinners. Please check in the Post or call 888-9096 for information about upcoming special dinner menus on Friday nights. All of our programs are financed thru your support of our home-cooked dinners.

NEW MEMBERSHIP – We are actively recruiting new members with Barbara O'Connor as our Chairman. Please plan to attend a meeting or contact any member with questions about our mission to assist/support our veterans. Our meetings are the 3rd Wednesday evening of the month at 7:00 pm.

CONGRATULATIONS - Our American Legion Post 239 family received the 2014 "Blanche Klein" VA&R Plaque during the department convention held in Cincinnati July 11 - 13. The plaque was presented during the opening session by our 2013-2014 auxiliary president Vicky Buck. This plaque is awarded to the auxiliary unit with the Best All-Around Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Program based on the annual report form. Receipt of this award would not have been possible without the continued support of our Legionnaires, SAL members and all our Auxiliary members. I was humbled but very proud to accept this on your behalf. -Cheryl smith

2015 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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