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Sherry

Just hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year for 2014 with no incidences. It is amazing but January, 2015 will be here by the time you get this bulletin. The Post is still doing well. The 20 or so members that help us make this Post what it is, deserve a big Thank You for all your continued support the past year, to make sure this Post is continuing on an upward trend.

I would like to thank all the volunteers and sponsors for this year's Thanksgiving for the Troops. It was highly successful and the troops (approx 130) were quite impressed with the food, legion members that attended, and the music and games supplied by YOU the Post 240 Membership. Hope to continue this in the future...

Membership is still at the top of my priority list, and we need you (the ones that have not renewed.) to get in (or mail it in to Post 240) and get you dues renewed prior to the middle of January....

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY. John Edens, Commander;
commander@americanlegion240.org

From the Adjutant

A reminder that as of December 31, if you haven't paid your 2015 dues, you are considered delinquent on your membership. New Key cards will be available for 2015 on Jan. 1. You MUST have a 2015 Membership to Purchase a new Key Card. Myself or the 1st Vice will be available in the Lounge about 14:00 to take your Dues and we will have someone selling Key Cards at the same time. So stop in and see us on New Years Day. **Jimmy lee Martin Post 240 Adjutant**

Membership News

1st Vice Cdr: Welcome to our new members and transfers:

Wayne Odom USAF

Harold Daly USN

Bradly Slaughter USN

Geoffrey Fournier USN

William Patton USAF

Carl-James Lopes USMC

Walter Viglienzzone USCG

Claude Michel USA

Robert Ohning USAF

Edward Barger USN

John Linde USN

Anton Hammerling USN

James Blanton USN

Ronald Dean USN

Our membership goal for 2015 is 999. Our current renewal rate is 70%. As of 7 Jan it should be 85%. Increasing our membership is a monumental task if only a few people are involved. If we make it everyone's responsibility it would be a snap. Just imagine if one half of our membership signed up just one person per year. Let's all do our part! If you haven't yet paid your 2015 dues, do so now and retain your continuous membership. Key cards are now available in the lounge. You must show your 2015 membership card to receive a key card. Members who have not renewed by 30 Jan. will become delinquent and will not be served.

Hal Eyerly 1st Vice Commander and Membership Chairman

INSIDE ACTIVITIES

2nd Vice Even though the 29 Nov Dinner/Dance was not a Huge success (we broke even), we would like to continue the last Saturday of every month with Live Music for dancing and entertainment. Please continue to support this event, after all, **it is for You the Post 240 member.** We are Considering, doing this for the next 6 months. Let us hear your Comments.....**Mike Morino**

Auxiliary

Auxiliary –Thank you all that came out to show your support for Our Fallen Veterans at the Wreaths Across America. Thank you also, to the Post, Sons of the American Legion and the Riders for their generous donations for the Angel Tree. Hope everyone had a Safe and Happy Christmas and New Year.

For God and Country – Kim Edens, Unit #240 President. Email: ladiesauxiliary240@gmail.com

Son's of American Legion

Hello American Legion Family. At our last General Membership meeting on Dec 16 we voted in 1 new Member: Aurelius Peavy. Please come to the Membership meetings, we need new ideas and volunteers to help. Please come and support SAL and the Post. Our Current membership is at 69.23% Please pay your dues. Don't forget you must pay your dues to get your new 2015 Door Key Card.

For God and Country – Alan Getman, Squadron 240 Commander

Legion Rider News

Greetings Riders. The next meeting is scheduled for 11 January 2015 at 10:00 AM. Be there. We are still working on our rides for next year and we need more riders to get involved. We had a great turnout for the Wreaths Across America escort ride on the 13th of December. The Holidays are over and we are starting a new year, lots of things going on at the Post so come on out and have some fun. Our first big ride will be the end of March. We will be hosting the Legacy Ride on the 25th of March with a luncheon, we will need your help to support these riders. Renew your dues if you haven't already. Let's get involved...**For God and Country, Rich Raborn Director**

*****POST EVENTS*****

ANGEL TREE REPORT

I want to thank all who donated to the Angel Tree. The Post, Auxiliary, Riders ,SAL and a special thank you to all the individuals (to numerous to name) who made it possible to provide a Merry Christmas for eleven needy children. A very special thank you to Tina Rogers and Becky Krahn who did the hard work (shopping). For God and Country, Angel Tree Chairperson Viola Eyerly

FISH FRY February 1, 2015 1400 till 1600

Menu: Catfish, Baked Beans, Hushpuppies, Coleslaw, and Potato or Macaroni Salad. Price is only \$7.00 per plate.

*****HALL RENTAL*****

Need a place to hold a party !! (B'day, Anniv, Wedding, etc). Our Hall holds 199 people, has a private bar, band stand, dance floor, etc. Catering is also available from Sally's Kitchen. Available most days. Very reasonable usage fees apply. For further info contact the Lounge Manager at 455-6111.

Post 240 BINGO

Post 240 Wednesday Night Bingo continues to improve the past two months, averaging 88 players. Thanks again to all Bingo Volunteers who make this program work. REMEMBER, our Bingo is **open to the PUBLIC**. So, get your friends to come out. There are at least 6 \$250.00 Jack Pots every Bingo night and most regular games are \$50.00 winners. **Bingo starts at 6 pm with warm-up games, and the main games start at 7pm.** Come join in the Fun. Bring a neighbor. John Edens - Bingo Chairman

Outside Activities

3rd Vice Cdr – Our last Fish fry was held on Dec 7, 2014. Thank you to the 59 patrons who bought a plate. A special “Thank You” to the following volunteers: Rick Kensell, Becky Krahn, Hal and Vi Eyerly, Raymond Averill, Mario Sacco, Adam Keller, Al Rogers and Ray and Sally Jerigan. The next fish fry will be held on Feb. 1, 2105 at 1400. **The January Fish Fry has been cancelled. For God and Country – Jeff Bell**

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

After four months of Saturday night lounge bingo in the books. We are happy to announce , we have collected \$1184.00 for 120 wreaths. Next year will be even better because we will have the entire year to work with. This would not be possible without the help of those members like Bob Champion, Mike Puterbaugh, Joan Puterbaugh, Hal Eyerly, Dawn Barber, Buster Hartford, Chuck Krahn, and Alex Barber, Not to mention Post 240. Since we accept donations all year, checks can to dropped off at the Post anytime. Rick Van Norden 712-2297

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