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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Hello to all the survivors of the Great Snow of 2010. Over 40 inches of snow in a few days. Remarkable! And much to our chagrin, we were there. Next year I'm heading to Florida with Judd and Faye!!! We do owe a big thank-you to G-man for getting his crew in here and clearing our parking lot. Also thanks to everyone else who pitched in to get us up and operational after the blizzard.

Beginning on 1 March we will have the kitchen open for lunch Monday thru Friday with varied hot lunches available. As of this writing, the time was still being discussed with 11:30 to 2:30 getting the most agreement. Shirley is bringing in her luncheon expertise from Post 40 and we hope to draw in a bigger lunch crowd. Also with Shirley taking care of the food, it will allow our bartenders to focus on serving drinks, etc. Thank-you to all of our daytime bar crew for doing such a superb job with lunches in the past.

Also on 1 March, we will be starting a new game called the "Queen of Hearts". This game has the potential of handing out some very nice prizes as well as making some money for our Post building fund and for donations to charitable entities such as Charlotte Hall and Hometown Heroes. See the flyer elsewhere in this issue for details of the game.

I want to take just a moment now to give a special thank-you to our Post 3rd Vice Commander, Charlie Linton. Charlie has done yeoman service over the past several years in keeping this Post physically sound, under some very trying conditions. Charlie and his excellent crew of helpers did a superb job in quickly repairing faulty items and also continuing to make improvements to our facility. Whoever takes on the 3rd Vice responsibility for the next term has some very big shoes to fill. When you see Charlie, take a moment to thank him for all he has accomplished.

Remember that nominations for the next year's slate of Post Officer's will take place at the April General Membership meeting. Also at the March General Membership meeting we will be voting on the by-law change that will sanction the Post 276 American Legion Riders. Put these dates on your calendar and try to attend these meetings. We need your support.

Yours in Legion Service,
Commander Mac



First Vice Commander

MEMBERSHIP

THANK YOU - I want to thank everyone who has paid their 2010 dues. As reported in the last newsletter about the Southern Maryland District Oyster Bowl, I would like to report that we placed 1st in our category. Again thank you.....

For those who haven't paid 2010 dues, please send them in as soon as you can.

We have been experiencing a problem with the National Organization sending out dues notices to members who have already paid 2010. If you do get a notice and you have a 2010 card, please throw the notice away.

Membership up date: Right now we have 794 in Department and have already made our traditional 90% quota. The last 10% is the hardest to get. So lets get those dues in! Hopefully by the next newsletter I can report that we are at 100% and a FOUR STAR POST

Yours in Legion Service,

Phil Surprenant



S.A.L

Come on SPRING!! As previously announced, SAL is now meeting on the 4th Sunday of each month at 12:30PM. I would like to see more attendance and participation from the membership. Many SAL members seem to find time to socialize at the post on a regular basis but can't seem to muster up one hour a month to attend a meeting. Please, the Squadron needs your help and participation. One hour a month isn't too much to ask.... is it?

As of this writing, we are almost at 90% and still have about 30 members unpaid. If you have not paid your dues, you are now delinquent and 2009 cards are no longer being honored at the Post. Just a reminder to qualifying Legion members – you can help the SAL by becoming a dual member at a discounted rate. Please help us achieve our goal by renewing your membership or joining by April 30th.

Again, I would like to thank all of our members & supporters that volunteer their time to the Unit, Squadron, Post, and community. Thank you for all you do. It is greatly appreciated.

As always, if you have any thoughts, ideas, or questions, don't hesitate to contact any SAL officer or me directly by calling 410-551-8543 or send an email to: sal276@ymail.com.

Yours in Service,
Roy Dixon, Commander



AUXILIARY UNIT 276



Hello Ladies;

I hope you made it through the snow and are now completely dug out. I personally have seen enough snow to last the rest of my life. On to business...I have had people call me regarding their membership renewals. All questions should be directed to Chris Wroten, who handles our membership, please contact Chris at 410-768-6057 **before** 8 pm. Please remember that the Seniors Dues are now \$15.00, while our Juniors Dues are still \$2.50 (under 18). Make checks payable to **Unit 276 ALA** and either mail to **Chris Wroten, 403 Delmar Avenue, Glen Burnie, MD 21061**, or bring into the Post home and have it placed in the **Auxiliary lock box**.

Golden Bingo will be held on March 7, 2010. Doors open at 12:30 pm and bingo starts at 2 pm. Fliers for Golden Bingo will be placed around the Post Lounge. I continue to welcome our new members and bless the continuing membership.

A special prayer goes out to Nellie Osborne's family.

Our elections are coming up. Please consider helping out. A list of what positions are available and their duties will be available at our March and April meetings. If you have any questions or concerns that we can help you with, please come to our meeting or call me at 443-854-6807.

God bless America and our troops, and until our next meeting,
For God and Country,
Cheryl Lipscomb
Unit 276 President

POST CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Greetings everyone! Another newsletter, another story to tell...

This lesson will begin with an anecdote about one of the most loyal members that has been at this Post. Her name was Nellie. Throughout the years, she and another person named Ginger ran the Ladies Auxiliary, concentrating on what was best to fulfill Legion goals and projects during their tenures. Over multiple decades, Nellie and Ginger did what they felt was best, even though they didn't get along all the time. Nellie was an icon and friend to most. Unfortunately all good things must come to an end, as did Nellie.

We will all miss her, especially this writer...

God Bless and cheers

Fred

GOLDEN BINGO

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Sunday, March 7, 2010

Doors Open: 12:30pm
Games Begin: 2:00pm

20 Games: for \$20.00 (12 Hard Cards)
Extra Cards: 3 for \$1.00

Prizes: 15 Games: \$50.00
4 Games: \$75.00
1 Game: \$250.00

All prizes will be divided equally among multiple winners.
8 Specials (paper cards) \$1.00 per sheet,

Tables reserved for parties of three or more must be paid in advance.

(No later Than March 1, 2010)

Make checks payable to: Howard L. Turner Unit 276

Send to: Linda Starlings, Unit Treasurer

535 Swoop Hill Road
Glen Burnie, MD 21061

Information Contacts: Linda Starlings, Unit Treasurer

410-969-6085 (leave message w/phone number)

NO CHILDREN UNDER 12 YEARS OF AGE ADMITTED

Lunch***Bake Sale***Door Prizes***Bazaar Table

Search for the Queen of Hearts

"**Search for the Queen of Hearts**" is a progressive raffle, featuring a game board of a deck of 54 cards which includes the 2 Jokers.

Each of the cards is placed in an individual envelope, the envelopes are then shuffled, numbered 1 thru 54 and placed inside a glass fronted locked cabinet.

Legion members and guests may purchase as many raffle-type tickets as they wish for \$1.00 per ticket. The purchaser's name and phone number must be on each ticket.

Management and enforcement of the raffle will be accomplished by a "Queen of Hearts raffle board", consisting of Mac, Randy Y, and Dave Chester One of whom must be present at each drawing. These board members will have possession of the keys to the cabinet **AND WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PURCHASE TICKETS OR TO WIN PRIZES.**

On each **Saturday between 7:30 and 8:00PM**, a board member will draw two winning tickets, except the 1st and 26th week (if necessary) when three (3) tickets will be drawn. If the winner is present, they will pick an envelope (1 thru 54) to open. If they are not present, a board member will choose the envelope.

If the chosen envelope contains the "Queen of Hearts", the winner will receive 60% of the money that is available from the raffle to date. The remaining 40% will go to Post 276 to be used for the building fund, capital improvements, community services, veteran's issues, and for support of active duty troops.

If the Queen of Hearts is not chosen, the selected card will be defaced by permanent marker and placed face up on the game board in the same position as it appeared when in the envelope. Payout for all cards chosen (except the Queen of hearts) is as follows. **(IF THE HOLDER OF THE WINNING TICKET IS PRESENT, THE PAYOUT WILL BE TWICE THE AMOUNTS SHOWN BELOW)**

Any 2, 3, 4, 5	\$5.00	Any 6, 7, 8, or 9	\$8.00
Any 10, Jack, or King	\$10.00	Any Ace	\$15.00
Any Joker	\$20.00	Any Queen (other than The Queen of Hearts)	\$25.00

ONCE A WEEKLY PAYMENT IS MADE, ALL TICKETS WILL BE DESTROYED. The raffle monies collected (minus any winnings paid out) will carry over to the next weeks drawing. The raffle board members are required to provide a weekly finance report on the raffle.

ONCE THE QUEEN OF HEARTS HAS BEEN LOCATED THE RAFFLE IS COMPLETE AND A NEW RAFFLE WILL BE STARTED.

**Come check out our new lunch program at the Post.
We are serving a variety of lunch specials each week-
day from 11:30 to 2:30**

March 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 Boy Scouts 7pm	3	4 Executive Board Meeting 7pm DAV 7pm	5 Dinner 6-8 Pet Rock Band	6
7	8	9 Boy Scouts 7pm	10 Purple Heart	11 General Mbr Meeting 7pm Aux Mtg 7pm	12 Dinner 6-8 Doc Rogers Band	13 OBs
14 Daylight Savings time begins	15 ALR Meeting 7pm	16 Boy Scouts 7pm	17 Happy St. Patrick's Day	18 Blue Knights	19 St. Paddy's Day Party in Lounge Food at 6pm Sherri Powell	20 Submariners in the Lounge
21	22	23 Boy Scouts 7pm	24	25	26 Dinner 6-8 Flamingo Express	27
28 Sunday Breakfast 9-12 SAL Meeting 12:30pm	29	30 Boy Scouts 7pm	31			

Lunch specials are available each day of the month from 12 to 2:30. Other food is available all day.

April 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Executive Board Meeting 7pm DAV 7pm Happy April Fools	2 Dinner 6-8 Sherri Powell	3
4 Easter Sunday	5	6 Boy Scouts 7pm	7	8 General Mbr Meeting 7pm Aux Mtg 7pm	9 Dinner 6-8 Good Friday Pet Rock	10 OBs
11	12	13 Boy Scouts 7pm	14	15 Blue Knights Income Tax Due Date	16 Dinner 6-8 Composure	17 Submariners in the Lounge
18	19 ALR Meeting 7pm	20 Boy Scouts 7pm	21	22	23 Dinner 6-8 D-J Ches	24
25 Sunday Breakfast 9-12 SAL Meeting 12:30pm	26	27 Boy Scouts 7pm	28	29	30 Dinner 6-8 Arbor Day Doc Rogers Band	

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Do you have an event coming up? Remember that the Post 276 Hall is available for you. Big or small, we can help. We offer special pricing for Post members and full catering can be arranged. This is one of your membership benefits so be sure to take advantage of it.

Call 410-969-8028, ext. 26, or contact the 2nd Vice Commander, Henry Schroeder, at 443-610-5025 for more information.