Chapter 448

Chapter 448 has had a good summer so far. We started with our famous brat fry in April and had an excellent turnout for workers and the public. Our next brat fry was in May and once again had a good turnout. The nest one will be in September.

In May we presented the colors at the Boltonville Rain Days Fireman's Picnic. Believe it did not rain as it has in the past. The chapter has led the parade for close to 30 plus years at the request of the Boltonville Fire Department.

On Memorial Day we held our annual Memorial Day program in Newburg. This year we had a volunteer retired fireman as the keynote speaker, He gave a very moving speech. The following weekend the chapter assist the Newburg Fire Department with their annual fireman's picnic as bartenders on Friday and Saturday nights. On Sunday we presented the colors for the parade. This we do as the fire department allows us to use the fire hall for out meetings at no cost.

The chapter picnic is July 8th. This year we plan to cook brisket as our main meal, We request that those in attendance bring a dish to pass. No one has ever gone away hungry. At the picnic we retire flags that have been collected over the past year. Last year we retired over 400 flags.

Frank Mueller and Jim Hackbarth will be traveling to Orlando for the VVA National Convention in August to represent Chapter 448.