

POST 416 INFORMATIONAL GUIDE

Post Officers 2023-2024

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Tim Baranzyk Terry Barrington

Meetings

Exe. Board Mtg. 1st Tuesday 7:00 PM

Honor Guard Mtg. 2nd Thursday Jan, Mar, May, June, Sept, Nov 7:00 PM

General Post Mtg. 3rd Thursday 7:00 PM

Auxiliary 3rd Thursday 7:00 PM

Sal 7:00 PM 2nd Monday

NEWSLETTER

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DECEMBER 2023

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2 nd	Post Christmas Party 5:30pm, Dinner 6:30pm
3 rd	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Honor Guard
5 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard
	Executive Board Meeting 7:00pm
6 th	Vietnam Vets Chapter 1 Meeting 6:30pm
9 TH	VFW Christmas Dinner
10 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, 40/8
11 th	SAL Meeting 6:30pm
12 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard
	Membership Committee Meeting 6:30pm
17^{th}	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
19 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard
20 th	4 th District Meeting 7:00pm, Post 434, Oak Creek
21 st	Membership Meeting Post & Auxiliary 7:00pm
26 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard
31 st	New Years Eve Bingo, 6:00pm, Honor Guard

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JANUARY 2024

- 1st HAPPY NEW YEARS
- 2nd Executive **Board Meeting 7:00pm**
- 3rd Vietnam Vets Chapter 1 Meeting 6:30pm
- 7th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Honor Guard
- 8th SAL Meeting 6:30pm
- 9th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard
- 11th Honor Guard Meeting 7:00pm
- 14th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
- 16th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard
- 17th 4th District Meeting, 7:00pm, Post 299 @Post 416 Greendale

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- 18th Post & Auxiliary Membership Meeting 7:00pm
- 21st Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
- 22nd VFW Meeting 6:30pm
- 23rd Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard 40/8 Meeting 7:00pm
- 28th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post

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30th Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Honor Guard

LEGION

COMMANDERS REPORT

Greetings Post 416 Family

It's hard to believe we are almost done with this year. We have had a great year, and a lot of great things happened. Couple of things that have happened the parking lot has been sealed and painted . The trees will be worked on here in January. We are going to replace the front entrance enclosure in the near future. That was approved back in 2022 . We will most likely match the front. And the Biggest Change, we will have a new Bingo machine by the start of the 2024. We did all we could with the old machines we had. All parts we were able to use for the machine, have now been used . Look forward to seeing the new machine and more changes to your building, yes our building.

Now continuing on the learning of the Legion, here is one of the major programs we use to help.

Temporary Financial Assistance

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Since its establishment in 1925, The American Legion Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA) program has awarded cash

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grants to minor children of current active duty or American Legion members. These grants help families in need meet the cost of shelter, food, utilities, and health expenses, thereby keeping the child or children in a more stable environment.

Who is eligible for a grant?

The minor child must be under the age of 18 and still in high school, however TFA may be extended until the completion of high school provided the child has not reached the age of 21. The minor child must be the biological child, stepchild, or in the legal custody of, a qualifying veteran. A qualifying veteran is defined as a member of the United States Armed Forces serving on federal orders current under Title 10 of the United States Code, inclusive of all components, OR any veteran possessing an up-to-date membership in The American Legion. Active-duty applicants can be considered without being a member of The American Legion. A single onetime nonrepayable Temporary Financial Assistance grant of up to \$1,500 will be permitted for the minor child(ren) of a qualifying veteran.

No child is considered eligible for Temporary Financial Assistance until a complete investigation is conducted at the post or department level, a legitimate family need is determined, and all other available assistance resources have been utilized or exhausted. Additionally, the TFA application must originate and be filled out by someone at the local level.

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How to Apply

Contact your local American Legion post or department (state) headquarters.

We have a committee at the ready and are ready to help. If anyone has any questions, feel free to call me or Big Tim we are always a willing to help anyway we can.

One last thing REMEMBER WE HAVE NEW YEARS EVE BINGO come into the post to get the info.

And from my family to yours -

Happy holidays and have a safe New Years

Terry Barrington



1st VICE COMMANDER

We are at 324 paid memberships as of 11/15/23, so kindly get your dues in asap. As of January 1st, you are considered

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delinquent by National Headquarters. Regarding National Headquarters they are raising their share of dues by \$5.00 at the start of the 2025 membership year, which is July 1. We are going to keep our dues at \$40, so the post will only get to keep \$5.00 of the \$40.00 instead of \$10.00.

If you are planning on moving or going away for the winter lets us know because the post office will return your newsletter back to the post and charge us \$3.50 for returning it back to us.

Thank You

Dave Pier

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3RD VICE COMMANDER

For November our Americanism Team gave presentations to Fairview Middle School, St. Matthew 6th, 7th, and 8th grade classes as well as Greenfield Middle School. We were also invited to display materials and answer questions at the Greendale Library where we shared information about the American Legion mission and veterans' experiences and perspectives.

When reading this article, the Holiday season will be upon us. We have much to be grateful for and much to offer as American citizens and Legion members. I would ask that you share you own message of why you chose to serve and what Americanism means to you with family and friends. We have members in need and often they are reluctant to ask for help. If you are aware of someone in need, reach out to them or contact Post leadership. We have resources.

"Americanism is a question of principle, of idealism, of character. It is not a matter of birthplace, or creed, or line of descent." Theadore Rosevelt

Aim High That Others May Live

Ed King

4TH VICE COMMANER

Still waiting on correspondence between the schools and me, concerning the Oratorical Contest.

We also have two slots open for Badger Boys State, which takes place in June of 2024.

We also supplied hygiene items through different vendors for some veterans in need. My Thanks to all who have assisted us in this endeavor. A few families also received some clothing items from some anonymous donors.

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Tim Baranzyk

ADJUTANT

First, I want to thank everyone for their work at the post, if it wasn't for you, it would be hard to keep everything running on a daily basis. Don't forget the hours that you volunteer, record them. We still have our Buddy Check and are helping in any way we can. If you need help, ASK that is how we help our neighbor. If you need help in any way, ask we have many tools in our toolbox to help.

If you have not signed up for the Christmas party or New Years party, come join the party so you are not alone. See Gary of Dave to sign up.

I wish everyone a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Tim Bellis

HONOR GUARD

This past year we gave a farewell salute to many of our veterans by your attendance at military honors.

Your attendance and performance were appreciated by the family.

Our Mission statement is "Honoring Our Vets". Post 416 Honor Guard has certainly fulfilled that mission statement. Thank you and stay safe, wishing you a healthy new year.

Proud to serve as your Captain.

Bob Zolandz

HISTORIAN

We've been busy. Let me know if you're the one who gets that 10-point buck! Continue sending me info on your activities. We' re busy!

If you haven't done it yet, get your bio in the kiosk at the Greendale Veterans Memorial.

Stay safe! Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year, in case I forget.

Tim Baranzyk

PAST POST COMMANDER

My Thanks to all who helped make Nov. 10th, in the library very memorable. Thank You!

Had an opportunity to attend a production of a Call to Glory, at St. Johns Military Academy concerning biographies of 9 Medal of Honor recipients, one of which was Alonzo Cushing, from Delafield, from the Civil War. Other opportunities involved being the Chaplain for the War Memorial's Veteran Night Banquet; leading the Pledge of Allegiance with the Milwaukee Medical College yearly luncheon; attending a beautiful dinner- fish fry- at the old Serb Hall, put on by the Army Recruiting Command; and finally attending another function, the Veterans Tiny Veterans Community Project, where land at 60th and Green Tree, has been purchased.

Before I forget, took part with the Southeastern Suicide Awareness Outreach Team, with the Medical College of Wisconsin.

Tim Baranzyk

HOMELESS VETERAN TASK FORCE

If anyone is interested in food production on a farm, let me know. As we discussed in our meeting, two issues affecting veterans are knowing where and how to feed their families, plus housing assistance. We're doing this out at Shangri- la, 124th and Grange. Contact me for details.

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Tim Baranzyk

LEGION AUXILIARY

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings,

I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, we have a lot to be thankful for. We are blessed with a wonderful membership with many new friends. We have had successful fund raisers to help our Veterans. I want to thank everyone for their help and support throughout this year. Merry Christmas to everyone!

Sincerely,

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Kathy Baranzyk



1st VICE PRESIDENT

We have reached the last month of your 2023 membership. Thank you to all 90 members who have renewed their commitment to our Unit for 2024. To those who need to renew, please do so at your earliest opportunity. Send your renewal checks to me for processing or conveniently call our National office at 317-569-4570 to pay by phone with a credit card. Have your member number handy when you call. Thank you!

I encourage you to check out the new and improved Department of Wisconsin Auxiliary website for everything you would like to know about our organization. www.amlegionauxwi.org.

Earn a Poppy pin by recruiting a new member!

Happy Holidays!

Carol Stephany

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Veterans Day Poppy Distribution

A 40+ degree day and a bit of a wind did not stop the distribution of Poppies on Veterans Day. A huge THANK YOU to Shirley M, Carol S, Mary Z, Stan P, Kathy and Tim B, Ted and

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Kathy G, Tom T, and my neighbors Greg K and Ed T, for braving the chill to hand out poppies. A special thanks to Alexa F, for her willingness to take poppies to every event she attends and get donations from attendees.

While stopping at 60th and Layton to check on a newer volunteer, a chance encounter gave me pause. A husband and wife randomly stopped for gas and the wife explained that she and her husband were driving from Alaska to New York where he would then be deployed to Djibouti in the Horn of Africa for 14 months. During the conversation he stated that he is a Colonel in the Army and is keeping his eye on a becoming a General. After they were on their way again, we realized how thankful we should be for those who live their life to serve and protect us.

To all those who have served, and those who continue to protect our freedoms and our country, we THANK YOU, and to our future General, Good Luck Sir!

Jackie Tamsett, Auxiliary

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Tim Baranzyk, President Greendale Veterans Memorial

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SAL COMMANDER

To ALL CONCERNED!

By the time you get the newsletter, I would have contacted you by email to validate your address.

It's trip time- get the train moving. When a trip or event is coming up, you will be emailed of the specifics. Some of you may be able to go, others not at this time. If you're not interested in my emails, let me know, so I can take you off the list. These excursions will vary.

See you soon.

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Tim Baranzyk, SAL Commander 416.

If you want to put an article in the next newsletter, please email to: lauracalteux@yahoo.com

Deadline December 22nd, 2023

GREENDALE VETERANS MEMORIAL

Our THANKS TO ALL who participated on Veterans Day, plus those who assisted. THANK YOU

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