

#### **POST 416 INFORMATIONAL GUIDE**

#### Post Officers 2019-2020

#### COMMANDER

Adjutant Finance Officer 1st Vice Commander 2nd Vice Commander 3rd Vice Commander 4th Vice Commander Chaplain Service Officer Judge Advocate Sgt. At Arms Sgt. At Arms Historian Firing Sqd. Capt. 1st Lt. Firing Sqd. 2nd Lt.Firing Sqd.

Tim Baranzyk **Dave Pier** Leo Taylor **Terry Barrington** Lyle Jackson **Rick Barrington Tim Bellis** Leon Zalewski **Bob Zolandz** Stan Pinkowski Dan Baker Jerry White Tim Baranzyk **Bob Zolandz Bob Vanselow** Ed King

#### **MEETINGS**

Exe. Board 1st Tuesday 7:00 PM

Firing Squad 2nd Thursday Jan, Mar, May, June Sept. Nov. 7:00 Post

General Post Mrg, 3rd Thur. 7:00

#### AUXILIARY OFFICERS 2019-2020

President 1st Vice President 2nd Vice President Secretary Treasurer Chaplain Historian Sgt. At Arms Asst.Sgt.At Arms

Laura Calteux Carol Stephany

Kathy Zagar Andrea Diamond

Florence Groth Alexa Fryjoff

#### SAL Officers 2019-2020

Commander Adjutant

Dave Bauer Jerry Meyers Auxiliary 3rd Thursday 7:00 PM

SAL 2nd Thursday 7:00 PM



# Spaghetti Dinner

## Help support our veterans, our active military and their families

## Saturday, April 25, 2020 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

- MENU -

All you can eat - Spaghetti and Meat Sauce - Salad Garlic Bread - Homemade Dessert - Coffee – Milk

### RAFFLE BASKETS AND 50/50 RAFFLE

**American Legion Auxiliary - Greendale Unit 416** 

AMERICAN LEGION HALLAdult\$9.006351 W. Grange AvenueChild\$7.00 (4-12)Greendale, WisconsinChild\$7.00 (4-12)

To order tickets call: Kathy Baranzyk (414) 628-0360 or Laura Calteux (414) 379-2943

\* \* \* TAKEOUTS AVAILABLE \* \* \*

#### NEWSLETTER

#### FEBRUARY 2020

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- 2<sup>ND</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Firing Squad
- 4<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad Executive Board Meeting 7:00pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> Vietnam Vets Meeting 6:30pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> Badger Detachment Meeting 7:00pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm 40/8
- 11<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad
- 13<sup>th</sup> SAL Meeting 7:00pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
- 18<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad
- 19th 4th District Meeting, Post 416 Hosted by Post 400 7:00pm, DINNER 6PM
- 20<sup>th</sup> Post & Auxiliary Membership Meeting 7:00pm
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
- 24<sup>th</sup> VFW Meeting 6:30pm
- 25<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad

40/8 Meeting

#### MARCH

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Firing Squad
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad Executive Board Meeting 7:00pm
- 4<sup>th</sup> Vietnam Vets Meeting 6:30pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> Badger Detachment Meeting 7:00pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
- 10<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad
- 12<sup>th</sup> Firing Squad Meeting 7:00pm SAL Meeting 7:00pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
- 17<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad
- 18<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> District Meeting 7:00pm, Post 415 @ Post 537 92<sup>nd</sup> & Beliot Rd, 6pm Dinner
- 19<sup>th</sup> Post & Auxiliary Membership Meeting 7:00pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
- 23<sup>rd</sup> VFW Meeting 6:30pm
- 24<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad
  40/8 Meeting 7:00pm
- 29<sup>th</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
- 31<sup>st</sup> Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad



#### **Commander's Corner**

With Mid-Winter behind us, we need to finish several items and continue to monitor others.

Greendale Veterans memorial: If you haven't purchased a brick, do so. Forms are in the east entrance, library, and welcome center, plus some may show up at the memorial itself. We won't have snow forever, so eventually the weather will warm up. You need time to complete the brick process. Sometime in Spring, the rest of the bricks will be placed. We still look for corrections on them, like names misspelled, words missing, etc. There will be a master list placed somewhere in the Village, so people can see where their bricks are.

Mid-Winter had several classes, but I think either because of the weather, or lack of interest, some came to take these classes and then went home. Through our meetings, the State Adjutant, Amber Nicolai, resigned. So now we have a search for a new State Adjutant. With the State Convention in Appleton this year, I would expect changes in individuals making choices on their commitment in moving up, and also dropping out. I hope to get some of these classes that were at Mid-Winter, down here. This may include Funeral Honors Certification, M-1 training, Suicide Prevention, jobs of various officers, public speaking, etc. It's in the works.

Membership: We need a few members to step up and renew. We're that close to 100%. If you have some financial concerns let me know. We continue to look out for each other. In the past few months, we've gained some new members, so make them welcome. As I look over the landscape in many events that go on, I see a lot of freebies that non-members have been getting. Eventually, this will change. We have the Oratorical, Badger Boys State, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Village Days, and some events put on by the Department that are coming up. Some events not mentioned conflict with each other, so choices will be made as to which one to participate. We're making a BIG push to get this done. If you haven't paid, you're delinguent.

For Memorial Day, I anticipate the same schedule. At this time, even though the Memorial is there, we still have the Parade downtown, the school program, the early cemetery remembrance at Good Hope, the Annual Pancake Breakfast at the Post, and that's it.

Nomination of Officers/Elections: As I mentioned before, if you're interested in doing something or seeing how this Post operates, let us know, so we can work with you on learning a position. We need some people to step up. It's not that difficult.

Homeless Task Force: We've managed to help many. Things are holding their own. I don't expect any surprises, but you never know. Pretty soon, the old buildings behind the VA Zablocki will have residences for vets to live. There are a lot of resources out there for the homeless. We've been turned away several times as clothing rooms are full, some facilities don't want items, but money and everything must be new. As a result, we've been helping some in dire need, with excess supplies. This will end. We continue to help our own.

Elections/campaigning, etc.: Shortly you'll see more candidates running for office, as a reminder, don't wear your Legion cover or other emblem materials to these functions. You know the rules. With these elections, will come robo calls. You need to go out and vote if you want change. This applies everywhere, at all levels.

It's getting close to fishing time. We're investigating some trips to make. We have our annual ball game, plus some other ideas.

We need some extra help at bingo, especially on Sunday night. Some of us could use a break. It's not that hard to do.

Until next time,

Tim Baranzyk

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander

Hello fellow legionnaires

We are at 76% to full investment. We are slowly plugging away at this and are coming very close to 100% invested.

On Jan 18-19, we went up to Ho Chunk Casino for Midwinter. I attended many different classes, everything from commander's course to WALPA, which is Wisconsin American Legion Press Association.

With that being said, I had the opportunity to meet with many fellow legionaries. I met the 1st Vice Commander for Post 49 in Appleton Wis. We shared ideas on how certain things worked for each other's post. Now Appleton has 800 post members and faces the same things we do here. While we were talking a couple people from Cushing, Wisconsin came over. They were blown away at the total members in our respective posts. They thought they were large with 70, yes 70 members. It was a great conversation we had. And laughs as well.

As we were talking, a member from Kenosha post 331 came over. He made a suggestion on how to get people more involved in what's happening with the post. I will be bring that up at the next general meeting.

In closing, I highly encourage everyone to attend Midwinter and get involved with the post. We are only going to get what we get, by what we put into this. We will be trying some new ideas that we learned there and maybe, just maybe we might try something that's completely in a new direction.

**Terry Barrington** 

Also one last thing, the prime rib was very tasty!

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Vice Commander

ATTENTION!! Post 416 is sending, for the second time, a finalist to Ripon for the Oratorical. Tyler Kelly, from Franklin H.S., won at the District contest. I believe we have a great shot to make it in the top two, if not the first place, in the state. Job well done Tyler. The State Finals will be at Ripon College on February 8.

Don't forget about the Americanism Government Scholarship tests during a 2- week window in March. This is open to all, grades 10 thru 12.

See you at the meeting

**Tim Bellis** 

remember them for their years of service and contribution they have made to the post.

All members that have passed this past year will be honored at our Flag disposal ceremony in June.

Thank you, members of our post 416 firing squad, for your loyalty and performance at the military honors for our veterans. It is going to be a challenge this spring with a number of snow-birds that are in our squad. There is a need to grow our squad. Need not more, be said.

Proud to serve as your Firing Squad Captain.

**Bob Zolandz** 



#### **Firing Squad Captain**

The firing squad has been especially busy this past month. We said goodbye to 3 members of Post 416. Richard Waddell -24-year member, Kenneth Willms-17 year member and Robert J. Jablonski a 36 year member. These veterans have been members of this post for many years and we must

#### **President's Corner**

We have finalized our April Spaghetti Dinner plans and are looking for members to help with tickets, raffles, serving and working the floor to make this event a success. If you have any new items that you would like to donate for the raffle, give me a call, we could use a variety of items to make it a success. Please give me, or Kathy Baranzyk (628-0360) a call to let us know when and where you would like to work. This takes a team effort to make it a success.

We will drape the charter for Karen Jorgenson at our February meeting, as we did not have too many members at our January meeting.

Also at the next meeting, will we be having a quick training on how to use the AED, automated external defibrillator, installed at the Post. Everyone should come to get acquainted with this technology. We hope that we never have to use it, but if we do, it will good to know how it works.

I attended Mid-Winter in the Dells and was honored to give a training on the Junior Patch Program. There were many of the Legion Family in attendance. We discussed the levels of the program and what requirements are receive a patch. Once they have completed the requirements for a patch. they will get a backpack that they can display their patches on. This is a great part of the Junior program that you, as a parent or grandparent, can work on with your junior. What a great way to spend time this winter and into the summer. learning and teaching each other about the American Legion Family and what we are all about.

Our next meeting is on February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Come to learn and stay for the refreshments and camaraderie. We would love to see you there!

Laura Calteux

#### Membership

Greetings Members,

As a final reminder regarding 2020 renewal of membership, please read the information below from the office of the Wisconsin American Legion Auxiliary.

Any member that has not paid their 2020 dues by January 31, 2020 will become expired and lose all Auxiliary benefits and privileges of membership including any officer or chairmen positions currently held until their dues are received by Dept. HQ/National. Once processed, a member will be reinstated with no adverse effect.

Members may pay their dues by sending them to ALA Dept. of WI, PO Box 140, Portage WI 53901, going to the NATIONAL website: alaforveterans.org or paying over the phone by calling NATIONAL between 7:30 am - 3:30 pm @ 317-569-4500.

The 2019 dues year is over and the same as above applies, any member that had not paid their 2019 dues by January 31, 2019 was not a member until their dues were received by

Department/National. What you need to do is pay your 2020 dues NOW to have your membership reinstated.

2019 dues can be paid at any point in time so that a member does not lose continuous years/join date. Per national policy, a lapse of a year will result in years/join date being changed.

If any unpaid members of Unit 416 have questions, please contact me

**Carol Stephany** 

Newsletter articles are due to Laura Calteux by February 24th. Please send via email to: lauracalteux@yahoo.com