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POST 416 INFORMATIONAL GUIDE

Post Officers 2019-2020

MEETINGS

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

Exe. Board

1st Tuesday

7:00 PM

Firing Squad 2nd Thursday Jan, Mar, May, June Sept. Nov.

7:00 Post

Auxiliary

7:00 PM

3rd Thursday

General Post Mrg,

3rd Thur. 7:00

AUXILIARY OFFICERS 2019-2020

President

1st Vice President 2nd Vice President

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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

SAL

2nd Thursday

7:00 PM

NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2020

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2	Badger Detachment Meeting 7:00pm
4 th	Oratorical Contest 10:00am
5 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Firing Squad
7 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad
	Executive Board Meeting 7:00pm
8 th	Vietnam Vets Meeting 6:30pm
9 th	Firing Squad Meeting 7:00pm
	SAL Meeting 7:00pm
11 th	District Oratorical Contest 11:00am, Post 434, Oak Creek
12 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
14 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad
15 th	4th District Meeting, AST 416 HOSTED BY POST 299, 7pm.
16 th	Post & Auxiliary Membership Meeting 7:00pm
19 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
21 st	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad
26 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 6:00pm, Post
27 th	VFW Meeting 6:30pm
28 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad
	40/8 Meeting 7:00pm

FEBRUARY

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L8 th	Bingo in Memorial Hall, 9:45am, Firing Squad
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Commander's Corner

As we enter into 2020, we need to reflect on 2019. What a banner year! We managed to break ground, and dedicate our Greendale Veterans Memorial! Special THANKS go out to the Kraintz Foundation and Dale Martin. Without their help, we would not have made it. Also I'd like to thank everyone who took part in this endeavor from day 1 to the end. This was no small feat! Thanks to those who contributed in whatever way they thought was appropriate for the common good. Now we wait for Spring, so most, if not all of the remaining stones can be placed, along with the kiosk, and its information. My Special Thanks to the American Legion for stepping up and guaranteeing any cost over runs. That money has been paid back! We will continue to raise funds for the Memorial, and with it, in time, any other ideas that may surface to make this Memorial very easy to get at, reflect, and improve its appearance, in ways we have not seen yet. Thank You veterans for your support!

Our Post has been beset with a few members battling medical issues. We

need your help and assistance to help not only these members out, but to keep the Greendale Legacy going on. A few of us have been stretched to the limits and need some sort of a breather. If you can help us out, be it bingo on Sunday night, Tuesday morning; historian, someone to help rearrange the display cabinet in the East Entrance; review some of the vice officers duties; assist with the newsletter; let me know.

We have several new faces coming into our Post, and these people want to help, so don't discourage them! We have other activities that we're going to try. This involves some old hobbies such as: ham radio operation, CB use, kayaking, biking, bowling, food preparation, media presentation — use of pod casts, video displays after the membership meetings, drone operation with a club in Waukesha, trap shooting, remote underwater search and recovery (artifacts), etc. We're going to reach out big time.

For July of 2020, we'll be back on the grass where we have been for many years. In August, no parade as of yet, for Village Days. Watch what you eat, and try and get back into some sort of shape, which will benefit you, and make you feel better. We're not getting any younger, me included.

I encourage many of you to participate in Post activities as much as possible.

Our sincere Thanks to Cliff, Dave, Gary and others who contributed to a very good New Year's Bingo!

Mid-Winter is coming up around the 17th of January. Try and attend a class or two.

Continue your membership push. Don't stop as we need more vets to get off from the sidelines and into our mission. We need them as they need us.

Until next time, Good Luck for 2020!

Tim Baranzyk

1st Vice Commander

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

I hope everyone had a great holiday. As I am writing this we are at 76% invested into our post. We are getting there. IF YOU HAVE NOT MADE YOUR **INVESTMENT AS OF JANUARY 1st** your investment is DELINQUENT. Please check your membership card and see that it shows 2020 on it. To the ones that invested thank you. We know there are some that are down on their luck or financially unable to make the investment into the future year. Please let me, or the Commander know of anyone in this position. We have some anonymous investments set aside to help. Also remember the commander asked that we all carry membership forms in our wallets just in case we find a fellow brother or sister in arms while we are out. Let's bring them into our family. Also let's work together to get the whole family into our post. We have a great American Legion Auxiliary. That does great things for the post and we

tend to forget the SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION. They have great opportunities as well. Any questions feel free to reach out to ME or TIM, LAURA OR DAVE B.

Again Happy New Year, looking forward to seeing great things from this post this upcoming year.

As always here is my monthly quote:

"When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it."

Henry Ford

Cheers fellow legionnaires

Terry Barrington

Firing Squad Captain

As we enter a new year for the Firing Squad, a thought of gratitude is necessary for all members.

We have lost members through attrition, sickness, and even passing, we still refer to them as members of our squad

We also have grown with new members and members that have taken on new roles with different responsibilities.

The members of Firing Squad Post 416 deserve a wealth of thanks and gratitude for all the Military Honors, the Festivals, the bingos, the parades and the performances at the War Memorial.

Proud to serve as your Firing Squad Captain.

Bob Zolandz



President's Corner

Happy New Year!

The New Year has begun and I am looking forward to all that our members will be doing for our veterans, our military and their communities.

Our meeting will be on January 16th, at 7 pm and I hope to have many bright shining faces there! We need to finalize our April Spaghetti Dinner plans and talk about a few other plans for the coming months. Please plan to attend and bring your ideas along with you!

We lost one of our members, Karen Jorgensen, in December. We did not find out until I received a call from the Medical Examiner's office, as Karen did not have any family. We will hold a memorial service and drape the charter for Karen at our January meeting.

In the History realm, our Juniors were a very active group, with around 5-6 girls attending the District meetings, helping out at unit functions and marching in parades on a regular basis. Let's see if we can get that going again for the next 100 years.

Once we complete our meeting, we will be doing a service project for the veterans at the Zablocki VA.

Stay safe and warm!

Laura Calteux

Membership

Welcome to the 2020 Membership year. I am hopeful that the New Year will be an exciting and productive year for us all, especially in our efforts to enrich the lives of our Veterans.

Our membership currently stands at 102 or 90.27% of our goal of 113 for 2020. The national organization will mail the final 2020 membership dues renewal notice by January 15th. The notice will instruct members to forward their dues directly to department headquarters for processing. Payment options include online, by phone or to the unit. Members

who do not pay their 2020 dues by January 31st will lose all Auxiliary benefits and privileges of membership.

To our unpaid members: please consider your membership renewal for 2020 as a tribute to the Veteran in your family.

To all who have renewed for 2020: thank you and please resolve to be as active as you are able. See you at our next meeting!

Carol Stephany

Members visit Spinal Cord Unit December 7, 2019

On this date, 10 members from our Post and Auxiliary made our annual visit to the Spinal Injury Unit at the VA. All of the injured served in various branches of the military and were happy to have visitors. They told us about themselves and most were very talkative. Each received a \$5 booklet to be used in their canteen.

This was a very worthwhile trip and we hope we brought a little cheer during this holiday season.

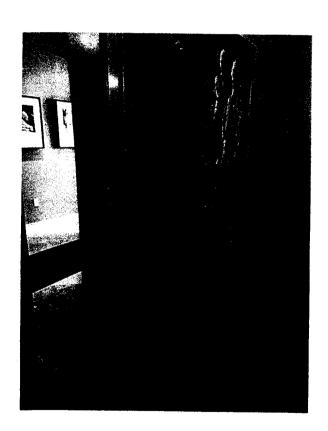
After our visit to the injured, some visited Fisher House located on the VA grounds. Many veteran families who travel more than 50 miles to visit veterans in the hospital are allowed to stay overnight for any length of time at the Fisher House, which has hotel accommodations free of charge.

Shuttles drive them to the hospital for visits.

The tour volunteer was gracious and happy to see us. We were impressed by this service for the families.

Thanks to the volunteers from our Post and Auxiliary who visited our fellow veterans to offer support and a little joy during their recovery. Thanks to Stan Pinkowski for arranging our visit to the VA

Harry Koroghlanian



Florence having a little fun at the visit to the Fisher House!

Newsletter articles are due to Laura Calteux by January 23rd. Please send via email to: lauracalteux@yahoo.com