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## GREENDALE AMERICAN LEGION POST 416 NEWSLETTER

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### POST 416 INFORMATIONAL GUIDE

Post Officers 2025-2026		Meetings
Commander	Ed King	Exec Board
Adjutant	Tim Bellis	1st Tuesday
Assistant Adjutant	Dave Pier	7:00 PM
Finance Officer	Bob Vanselow	
1st Vice Commander	Ted Gurzynski	
2nd Vice Commander	Gary Parker	Honor Guard
3rd Vice Commander	Rob Hamby	2nd Thursday
Service Officer	Tim Baranzyk	Jan, Mar, May,
Asst.Service Officer	Bob Zolandz	June, Sept, Nov
Chaplain (Deacon)	Ted Gurzynski	6:30 PM
Sgt. At Arms	Lyle Jackson	
Sgt. At Arms	Jerry White	Post Meeting
Historian	Tim Baranzyk	3rd Thursday
Captain Honor Guard	Bob Zolandz	7:00 PM
1st Lt. Honor Guard	Bob Vanselow	
2nd Lt. Honor Guard	Ed King	
Auxiliary Officers 2025-2026		
President	Kathy Baranzyk	Auxiliary
1st Vice President	Carol Stephany	3rd Thursday
2nd Vice President	Jackie Tamsett	7:00 PM
Secretary	Laura Calteux	
Treasurer	Laura Calteux	
Chaplain	Carrie Kleppin	
Historian	Laura Calteux	
Sgt. At Arms	Pat Kadlec	
SAL Officers 2024-2025		
President	Tim Baranzyk	SAL
Adjutant	Terry Barrington	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday 7:00 PM
6/23/25 Excel		
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## NOVEMBER 2025

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NOV.
2 NOV Bingo in Memorial hall 6pm
4 Nov Bingo Memorial Hall 9:45 am
4 Nov Executive board meeting 7pm
5 Nov over the hill group 8:30 am (cards)
5 Nov Viet Nam vets chapter 1 meeting 6:30pm
9 Nov Bingo Memorial Hall 6pm
11 Nov Bingo Memorial Hall 9:45am
16 Nov Bingo Memorial Hall 6pm
18 Nov Bingo Memorial Hall 9:45am
20 Nov Post and Auxiliary meeting 7:00pm

24 VFW Meeting 6:30 pm

23 Nov Bingo Memorial Hall 6:45 pm

25 Bingo Memorial 9:45 am



## **COMMANDER'S REPORT**

#### Transparency, Service, Sustainability

As the new Commander there are a number of issues that I am addressing and want you to be aware of.

First are our financial accounts, we have individuals that are working diligently to make corrections and implement proper accounting and tracking procedures. This is to ensure "Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" are followed.

Second, are our membership records. The direction I have given is that our membership records will be as accurate as possible. I am not interested in playing a numbers game so we can say we are the largest Post in the State. Here again our 1st Vice is doing outstanding work putting in many hours to ensure accuracy.

Third, proper level of licenses for operations.

Fourth, proper insurance coverage.

There are many other issues, and I'll mention 2 of them. Developing Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) is also referred to as Continuity files to ensure there are written procedures, duties and responsibilities that include a filing system. Having written SOP's will aid greatly in the transition for new leadership as well as helping me to know who is doing what. The last item that I'll mention is our Newsletter. I have been disappointed in the quality and lack of proof reading before publication. There is a significant mailing cost combined with the lack of requested responses, as well as individuals being surprised about an event that was highlighted in the Newsletter which begs the question are members reading the Newsletter. For these reasons I plan to halt the publication of our Newsletter until I am assured that a quality product will be published at a frequency that is cost effective.

Information is still available on the Post website, <u>GreendalePost416.org</u>

Thank you for your service.

Air Force Core Values, values for us all to emulate.

Integrity First
Service Before Self
Excellence in All We Do

Ed King

## 2<sup>nd</sup> VICE COMMANDER

As a reminder per the previous flyer, our Annual Christmas Party is scheduled for Saturday, December 6th. Cocktails with appetizers are at 5:30 PM and dinner at 6:30 PM. Cost is \$20.00 per person and includes beer and soda.

The reservation deadline is November 23rd. It will be a catered meal with all the trimmings so no walk-ins will be allowed. This year, in addition to family, guests will be allowed, providing the reservations have been made. Reservations, with names and money enclosed, may be sent to American Legion Post 416, 6351 W. Grange Ave, Greendale, WI 53129.

Also, the Post will again be sponsoring the Annual New Years Eve Bingo party. More information on that event will be in the December Newsletter.

With that, I wish you a very joyous Thanksgiving.

Gary Parker.

think you may be interested in joining the group, you are welcome to attend to see what the Americanism team does.

However, these presentations will be to larger groups than normal so don't be scared off if you do come. I am still trying to get the Adopt-A-Vet program with St.

Alphonsus set up. Again, we would love to have more veteran participation with this program. Please contact me if you have any interest.

I know that I need to start working on Badger Boys State but I'm a little overwhelmed with it all. I guess I just have to "buckle down and get it done."

As Commander King likes to repeat: The core values of the Air Force are:

Integrity First
Service Before Self
Excellence in All that We Do

Rob Hamby

## 3<sup>rd</sup> VICE COMMANDER

I have continued to contact past participants in our Americanism program and have secured a few dates. We will be presenting on Veterans Day on Nov. 11 at Maple Grove Elementary School in Greenfield at 2:00pm and at Greenfield Middle School at 9am on Nov. 13. If you





interested in participating in this event, call me at 414-628-0360.

Our next Executive Board Meeting is November 12th at 6:30pm at the Post. Our next Membership Meeting is November 20th at 7pm at the Post.

Kathy Baranzyk

## **PRESIDENT**

#### Greetings!

Great news, on October 13th they had a Groundbreaking Ceremony for Tiny Homes. They had a mobile Tiny Hone you could go through to see what they look like. There will be 40 units, both single and some family units. A Community Center and on-site support services like case management to help residents transition to permanent housing. Construction is underway with a goal to complete by the end of 2026.

We're close to the Culver's Share fund raisers. Carol submitted an application with dates in November and December. We will work Monday or Wednesday from 5pm-8pm taking orders to the customers and drive-thru. We will get a percentage of the sales during this time. Culver's will provide us with advertising materials, and our Volunteers will be wearing t-shirts with Auxiliary info on them. Carol has ordered the T-shirts from Emblem Sales. If you're



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SUPPORT OUR VETERANS

## 1st VICE PRESIDENT

#### **Auxiliary Membership**

We are closing in on a great renewal rate for 2026. I have processed about 80% of our membership for 2026. Thank you to all who have renewed. Those remaining should please call 317-569-4570 to renew or mail

your check to me as directed on your renewal slip. I will be contacting you with a reminder.

We need to renew, recruit and mentor our membership. Please participate in these endeavors. I will begin calling those who have yet to renew. Think about your friends and family who might meet the membership requirements and recruit them! Carry a membership application in your purse! Come to a meeting so you can hear about and participate in our current and future projects. Bring a friend! All are welcome!

"Success is the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out." Robert Collier.

Our mission of advocating for veterans, military and their families is at the heart of what we do!

Carol Stephany

# PUBLIC RELATIONS ZOOM CHAT DATES FOR THE LEGION FAMILY

630 PM - 8 PM, Wednesdays

January 28, 2026 February 25, 2026 April 29, 2026



### **POPPY**

## VETERANS DAY NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 and POPPY DISTRIBUTION DAYS

5 facts about Veterans Day

- It started as Armistice Day, Marking the anniversary of the end of WWI at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour, of the 11<sup>th</sup> day, of the 11<sup>th</sup> month
- It was renamed in 1954 by President Dwight D.
   Eisenhower to honor all those who have served in wartime and peacetime
- It honors all Veterans living and dead. It is a day to Thank and Honor all who served in the U.S Military
- It is always on November 11<sup>th</sup>, regardless of the day of the week.
- Other countries like Canada and The United Kingdom also honor their Veterans around the same date, because of the international nature of WWI

Poppy Distribution will take place throughout the Community to collect donations to help our Veterans in need and to educate people on the Meaning of Veterans Day. Please support our Mission by donating to those who will brave the November weather to distribute poppies.

The 416 Legion Family distribution Days are November 7<sup>th</sup> thru the 11<sup>th</sup> at various times. Other organizations will also be out supporting the same Mission. Please Honor and Give Thanks for your Freedoms by helping all of them to support our U.S. Men and Women.

REMEMBER TO THANK A VETERAN

Jackie Tamsett

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

Deadline November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025

# GREENDALE VETERAN'S MEMORIAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

Just a reminder that the Veterans Day program at the Memorial will be on Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10 am instead of on Veterans Day (Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>), Parking is available at Brinkman Field right across Southway from the Memorial.

Join us for the program honoring our Veterans by your attendance and hearing our speakers. Please consider doing a biography of your Veteran for the Memorial kiosk and/or purchasing a brick for the Memorial. Thank you.

Sally Chadwick, Committee Member