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Commander's Message
Ray Ariaz

Hello comrades,

My time as Commander has ended. Thank you for allowing me to have this honor. Thank you for the respect shown to me as your Commander for the past year.

10 years ago I didn't want anything to do with organizations dealing with G.I.'s because of the war in Vietnam and the lack of respect of us returning veterans; I was turned off. For me, the Legion has been a place for my healing. Believe me, the American Legion work has helped open up my mind to what is good for the community, nation, for us and me. I want to thank all of you for the help and leadership of the past and future to come.

Good luck to Shawn, our Commander Elect. It's going to be a great year.

Post 134 Joint Installation
Saturday, August 15, 2015
4:00 pm

You are cordially invited to attend the American Legion, Post 134, 90th Joint Installation. Shawn Hoffmann, Commander; Bonnie Sheirok, Auxiliary President; and Jerry Coursey, SAL Commander.

Saturday, August 15, 2015, 4:00 pm cocktails and dinner at the American Legion Memorial Civic Center. All Legion, Auxiliary, SAL and Legion Riders are welcome. **If attending, you must RSVP with Cheryl at (847) 663-0539 by August 7, 2015.**

Auxiliary Message
Bonnie Sheirok

Before the meeting on June 9th we had our pot luck supper. There are some mighty fine cooks in the Auxiliary.

After dinner the elections were held. The results were: President, Bonnie Sheirok; 1st Vice President, Lynne Weaver; 2nd Vice President, Sharon Marton; Treasurer, Donna Hedrick; Secretary, Diane Durkin; Chaplin, Sheri DeMonte; Historian, Gretchen Sheirok and Sgt @ Arms, Anne Marrazzo.

We will be preparing for the Department Convention in Springfield. There are 5 members going to the convention; and they are Bonnie Sheirok, Lynne Weaver, Donna Hedrick, Betty Daum and Sharon Martin. We'll give a report in September.

Jesse Brown gave an appreciation luncheon for all the volunteers, and Lynne Weaver and Donna Hedrick were able to attend.

The Auxiliary has sponsored 2 girls to go to Girl's State. They are Katie Wallin and Dionna Bidny. We will have a report in fall of their experience at Girl's State.

Coming up is the 4th of July parade – come join us. Also the Legion Family Picnic is on August 9th.

Remember those who have served and those who are serving now.

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Terry Woodburn, Past Department Adjutant, went to Post Everlasting on June 25, 2015.

Walter Beusse went to Post Everlasting on Sept. 26 2013.

Social Night
July 17, 2015
$8.00 a person
5:30 pm Upstairs Annex

July Social Night will be Polish sausage or hot dog with all the trimmings and dessert. Save the date, Friday July 17, 2015. Please call Ed Kilb (847) 698-6008 by Wednesday June 15th with your RSVP.

Post 134 Annual Family Picnic
Sunday, August 9, 2015
2:30 pm

Our Post 134 Annual Picnic date has been changed from July 26th to Sunday, August 9, 2015 at 2:30 pm.

Let's get together with all our Legion, Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, Legion Riders and their families to have a big picnic. There will be music, a raffle, hamburgers, hot dogs, soda, beer and all the special family dishes that members bring to share.

We are asking every family to bring one side dish. You will be able to vote on the "best dish" and someone will win a prize.

The picnic will be held on the patio and grounds. If you have portable chairs, please bring them with you.

Events Calendar

CLUB 134 LOUNGE is open Monday through Friday, 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

The Club Room will have special hours during Morton Grove Days. Thursday, July 2 and Friday, July 3 the hours will be 3:30 pm till 11:30 pm and on Saturday July 4th hours are 2:30 till 11:30 pm.

Come try your luck on our gaming machines!

July, 2015

July 4	Fourth of July Parade, step off	2:30 pm
July 8-11	Dept. Convention	
July 9	Rifle Squad meeting	7:30 pm
July 13	Corporation meeting	7:30 pm
July 14	Legion Riders meeting	7:30 pm
July 20	Executive Board meeting	7:30 pm
July 23	Post 134 meeting	6:30 pm

August, 2015

Aug 9	Legion Family Picnic	2:30 pm
Aug 10	Corporation meeting	7:30 pm
Aug 11	Legion Riders meeting	7:30 pm
Aug 13	Rifle Squad meeting	7:30 pm
Aug 15	Post 134 Installation	4-8 pm
Aug 22	7th District Installation	
Aug 24	Executive Board meeting	7:30 pm
Aug 27	Post 134 meeting	6:30 pm
Aug 28-Aug 31	Legion National Convention	

Post 134 Minutes from June 22, 2015

Post minutes were read and approved.

Finance Report, PC Joe Hedrick
Thanks to everyone for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Finance Officer. My last day in this position will be June 30, 2015. Finance report was read and approved

Commander, Ray Ariaz
I want to thank everyone who helped make him look good through the year. Good luck to Shawn, our Commander Elect. It's going to be a great year.

Sr. Vice Commander, Shawn Hoffmann
I enjoyed my year as Sr. Vice Commander. We are currently 969 paid members, 111.12% in membership.

2nd Jr. Vice Commander, Thomas Mann
We will serve hot dogs and potato salad for the Post meeting. In July we will start our meeting at 6:30 with a dinner and the meeting will follow.

Americanism, Jac Charlier (turned in written report)
American Legion School Awards**:**
At Golf Middle School To: Lizzette Jose and Zain Jamal
By: PC Joe Hedrick
At St John Brebeuf School To: Michael Luisi and Anna Darville
By Cmdr Ray Ariaz
At Parkview School To: Samantha Simkins and Jude Mathew
By John Maloney
Good Citizenship Citations presented by Jac Charlier to the following new Eagle Scouts of Troop 626:
Liam Hamp, Casey McDermott, John (Jack) Osborne
On Sunday, June 28, 2015, Joel Segal will receive the Eagle Scout Award.

Auxiliary, Bonnie Sheirok
The Auxiliary has sponsored 2 girls to go to Girl's State. They are Katie Wallin and Dionna Bidny. Bonnie gave a report on what they spent their $6,000.00 on for 2014-15.

Community Service, PC Joe Piento
Joe is going to submit his community vouchers. Concert in the Park voucher has been paid. You will receive a discount on your food if you wear your Legion cap to the Concert in the Park The Legion will sponsor the concert on June 30th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

Corporation President, PC Ken Trumbull
All the insurance that we'll need for year 2015-2016 has been paid. The Legion Liquor License has been renewed. The Corporation elections were held and the officers remain the same as last year. We will have specific bartenders to work during Morton Grove Days. The Club Room hours during the carnival will be Thursday, July 2nd and 3rd, 3:30 till 11:30 pm and on Saturday, July 4th from 2:30 till 11:30 pm. Corporation meetings are always open for anyone to attend.

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Legion Riders, PC Mathew Ingram
Turned in the Legion Rider's By-laws to the Adjutant. Their officers are: Director, Mike Dimberger; Asst. Director, Phil Tines, Secretary, PC Mathew Ingram; Treasurer, Ray Arceo; Sgt @ Arms, Joe Tines, Sr.; Caplain, Bruce Tarpey and Historian, Joe Tines, Jr.

4th of July Parade
We will gather at the Post on July 4th at 1:30 pm and step off for the 4th of July will be 2:30 pm. If you are riding on the float, we will meet across the street at Kim's Auto at 1:15 pm.

Poppy Days, PC Ken Trumbull
We had 6 Post 134 members who collected over $1,000.00 for Poppy Days. They were: Casey Bachara, Joe Gesicki, PC Joe Lampert, PC Jan Lepinski, PC Joe Piento and PC Ken Trumbull. Casey collected the most money, turning in over $2,000.00.

Public Relations, PC Joe Hedrick
We will have a tent by the Legion door to collect for a Commander's Raffle during the Morton Grove Days carnival. It would be nice if you have the time on July 2nd, 3rd or 4th to spend a couple of hours in the tent. A sign-up sheet was passed around for volunteers.

Service Officer, PC Don Stotz
I was informed that Walter Beusse entered Post Everlasting on Sept. 23, 2013. No members are in the hospital this month. Stay healthy…..

Village Liaison, PC Joe Hedrick
We are going to do a preliminary smoke test to see how the air flow is in the Range. We will decide if we need a bigger fan after the test

New Business
The members appointed Edward Schwartz as the 2nd Jr. Vice Commander. Wally Zawisza receded his position as Sr. Vice Commander. 3 Resolutions were read tonight. PC Ken Trumbull for Dept. Sr. Vice, PC Joe Lampert for 1st Division Jr. Vice and PC Jan Lepinski for 1st Division Jr. Vice. There were 2 members who submitted a resolution for Division Jr. Vice so the members had to vote on either PC Joe Lampert or PC Jan Lepinski for 1st Division Jr. Vice Commander. PC Joe Lampert won the vote. Read through the proposed 2015-2016 Budget. PC Joe Hedrick said that he thought we didn't have enough budgeted for the Accountant. He also would like to see the budget lowered for the Convention expenses. The members voted and seconded to keep the budget as proposed.
The Post meeting on July 23rd will start with dinner at 6:30 pm, and the meeting will follow.

Mike Noles won the Pot of Gold consolation prize.

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