



POST 690 NEWSLETTER



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COMMANDER'S NEWS JACQUELINE BLOUNT, COMMANDER

Don't worry about losing weight....Instead, think about using weight. The good news about being "overweight" is that you have lots of stored energy to do all the things you want to do. It's your energy--bought and paid for!

COMMANDER'S BUZZ:

My Comrades and Friends:

In this, my second news message to you, I wish to inform you that the articles I write are meant to be totally informational. My officers and anyone wishing to broadcast their events and/or other concerns, will do so accordingly.

Please check out the websites of our post, or Division, our State, and our National organization for all information you may need. The sites are:

- Palatine Post 690 (www.alpost690.us)
- 1st Division (Cook County) is (www.ilfirstdivision.org)
- State of Illinois (www.illegion.org)
- National Organization (www.legion.org)

If you have other concerns of special or personal interest, please do not hesitate to contact me online (jacdhs@yahoo.co) or 847/907-4760. Remember it's best to directly consult a source rather than a rumor.

The American Legion Prescription Discount Program: This is not insurance. It is a convenient and easy way to save on prescription medicine when it is not covered by your insurance company. To learn more about this benefit program, please visit (www.caremark.com/legion)

Veterans Day on November 11th will be celebrated in the usual fashion. Please join in the celebration at The Community Park (NHWY&Wood Sts.) at 11 a.m. Promises not to take over one hour.

Count your blessings every day....Stay well and God Bless America!

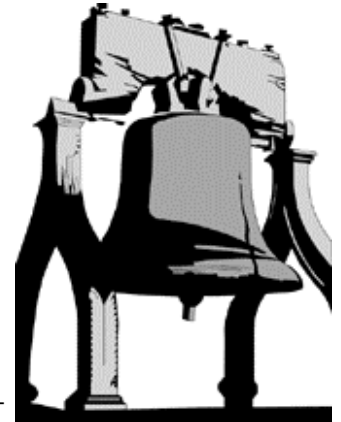
Respectfully, Jacque Blount, USCGR (Ret.), MSE.d

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY CORNER — ALICE GUTIERREZ, PRESIDENT



Hi Everyone,

Below is a Calendar of Events for the next few months. Please come out and join us, and support our programs. In October we had two Bingo nights; one of which was a special Bingo to support the Blind Center at Hines Hospital on October 25th.



I must mention again, that dues are increasing Jan 1, 2016. If you have not sent them in, please do so now. Our membership chairman, Linda Cilona MUST have all dues collected and sent into Department by mid- December. No exceptions. Any dues collected after that time will be at the new amount of \$27.00.

I am proud to represent the Women's Auxiliary at the ceremonies on November 11th, Veterans Day at the Community Park. A day, in the Eleventh month, the Eleventh Day, on the Eleventh Hour in 1918 WWI ended. When I was young and in school in rural Ohio, it was called Armistice Day. This was in the 1950's and I keenly remember the respect this day held in our small town. Today, with the 100th commemorative of World War I upon us, there is a re-newed interest in the years between 1914 and 1918 and the so called "Great War". While those who died are also remembered on Veterans Day, it is also a day set aside to thank and honor ALL those who served honorably in the military. – in wartime or peacetime. Great Britain, Canada and Australia observe "Remembrance Day" on November 11th. Many Canadians wear red poppy flowers on November 11th in honor of their war dead. If you can, come out to the Community Park at 11:00 on November 11th and pray with us.

Monday, October 26th: Blue Star Banner Presentation at the Township Center, 721 S Quentin Road, Palatine @ 7:00pm

Sunday November 15th: Tailgate Party (Tentative Date)

Saturday November 21st: BINGO 6:30 early bird game

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Till next time, remember our mission statement: "In the spirit of service, not self"

NOTICE ON LEGION MEMBER DUES INCREASE

At its meeting on August 17, 2015, the Executive Committee unanimously agreed to recommend that the membership dues for Post 690 be increased from \$35 per year to \$40 per year. The increase is recommended to cover the increase in the per capita dues our Post must send to National Headquarters in Indianapolis, Indiana.

This recommendation will be submitted to membership at our November 5 Post meeting. If there is not a quorum present at the November 5 meeting, this recommendation will be submitted at the next membership meeting at which a quorum is present.

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION—ADAM ANDERSON, SAL COMMANDER

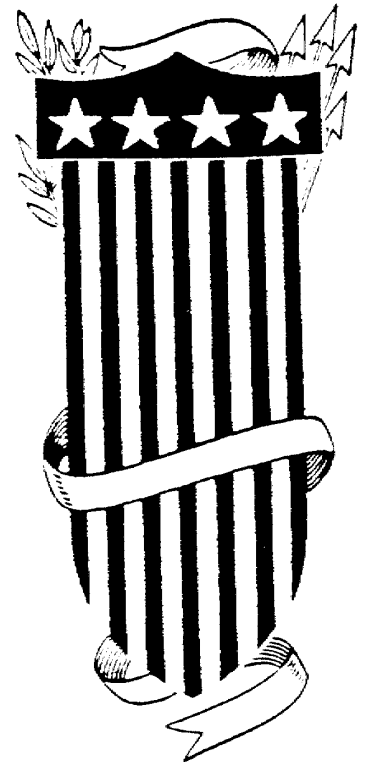
Greetings, I am proud to report that our Squadron is at 68% of member cards turned in, well ahead of the Detachment goals. Also I am pleased to report we have added 8 new members to the Squadron in this short year so far. This year, one of the goals of the Squadron, is to have more of our members' active within the squadron, as well as have them come down and enjoy the Club Room. We plan to accomplish this by personally contacted our members and inviting them out to some fun family projects that the Legion is planning.

One example of this; The Post Family is planning a Tailgate party on **November 15, 2015** to watch the Bears Game in our parking lot, a 60-inch TV and food will be provided. This will be a great time to meet other Post family members and learn what each organization has planned for the rest of the year. There will be more info to come, so keep a lookout in the club room or by email from the Legion, Auxiliary or SAL. A few other events that we are planning are: Casino Night Nov. 20, 2015, and Breakfast with Santa on Dec. 13, 2015. If you have any question about the SAL or how you can get more involved, please contact me, the best way is Email, Adam3289@hotmail, I will be happy to email you back or call you and talk if you like. I look forward to seeing you all this Veterans Day at Community Park.

For God and Country,

Adam Anderson

Sal Commander



PISTOL TEAM REPORT—ED HEWSON, PISTOL TEAM CAPTAIN

Harvard military rifle match report Match 8-16-15

This match was shot under some tough conditions. The temperature was in the nineties and the sun was brutal. The orders of the day were drink plenty of water, use sun tan lotion and shoot straight. There were four stages with the first three off of the bench. The fourth consisted of sixteen shots (two M1 Garand clips) from four different positions, and you had to run, or attempt to run to each position and then fire your shots. The first three positions were each three shots and on the third position a reload. The fourth position was seven shots on five targets, two shots on each of the small targets and one shot each on the large targets. In spite of the heat it was a good match.

Post 1084 -533 Post 888 - 496 Post 690 – 475 Post 134 - 239

Post 690 competitors were David Valentine 4th, Ed Hewson Sr 8th and Rich Seamans 15th.

Article II (Gun World) practical match 9-1-15

We didn't do too well in this match but there was only a 32 point difference between first to third and unfortunately we were third. Post 134 and VFW Post 981 each had only one competitor and that makes it very hard for them to win. Post 1084 won center fire, Post 888 second and Post 690 third. Rim fire no one competed except Abby Klanang and me so Post 690 won.

Center fire	Center fire	Post 1084 -296	Post 888 - 271	Post 690 - 264
		Post 134 - 101	VFW 981 - 86	
Rim fire	Post 690 - 252			

Post 690 competitors were CJ Malchow, Mike Klanang, Abby Klanang, and Ed Hewson

Article II (Gun World) revolver only match 9-17-15

Center fire	Post 888 - 723	Post 1084 - 692	Post 690 - 657
	Post 134 - 353		

This was a fun match but once again the good guys got a spanking. Joe Hartmann was high scorer for the match.

Team 690 contributors were Joe Hartmann, Mike Klanang and Ed Hewson Sr.

Harvard bolt action only match report 9/20/15

Open sights only for these scores.

Post 1084 -315	Post 888 – 236	Post 690 - 179
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Being in third place in the last three matches is getting quite boring and I know we are going to do better in the next match.

Ed Hewson Sr 10th and Rich Seamans 12th were the only Post 690 competitors.

Article II (Gun World) practical match 10-6-15

Center fire	Post 134 -371	Post 1084 - 369	Post 690 – 366
	Post 888 – 360	VFW Post 981 - 223	
Rim fire	Post 1084 – 417	Post 690 - 412	

2015 SQUIDFEST

Our Legion Family will again welcome a contingent of sailors from the Great Lakes Naval Training Center on Thanksgiving Day. We expect to pick up about 35 sailors at 8:30 A.M. and drive them to the Brunswick Zone facility on Rand Road in Lake Zurich, where they will be able to enjoy bowling, pool and arcade games.

The sailors will arrive at the Post Memorial Home on Palatine Road shortly before noon and will have access to several telephones and SKYPE (webcam) equipped computers to enable them to call friends and family. It is interesting to note that this will be first holiday away from home for many of the sailors. Several televisions will also be available so they can watch sports or movies.

A full Thanksgiving Dinner -with all the trimmings- will be served in the afternoon. The Committee is looking for help in the following areas:

***** Volunteers to cook turkeys and other items in their homes and deliver them to the Post. The committee will provide the turkeys and disposable roasting pans**

***** Persons who can loan a laptop computer equipped with two-way webcam camera feature.**

***** Volunteers to help during the day – especially for clean-up detail at 6:30 P.M.**

Persons who can help out with any of these areas are asked to call the Squidfest hot line at the Post at 847-879-6560 to leave a message. A committee member will contact those who call.

PISTOL TEAM REPORT—(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4)

It was a close match with Post 690 finishing third again. First through fourth place positions were separated by only eleven points, very close competition. In rim fire Post 690 was a close second but in all fairness the Post 1084 shooter was using a red dot and Post 690 was using open sights. I know we will do better next month and we will give it our best.

Team 690 contributors were Dave Valentine, Mike Klanang, Ed Grabowski, Rich Seamans and Ed Hewson Sr.

Harvard any type rifle match report Match 10-11-15

This was a fun match and no scores were recorded.

Article II range is located at 250 Cortland Avenue in Lombard and I can be emailed for directions.

Due to limited space competition is by invitation only and you must have a valid FOID card. A safety and rules class is held before each match.

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Past Commander Post 690
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<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Meeting Time and Date</i>
American Legion Post 690	1st Thursday of Every Month @7:30 PM.
Post 690 Executive Board	3rd Monday of the Month @8:00 PM
Post 690 Board of Managers	3rd Monday of the Month @ 7:00 PM
Sons of the American Legion	First Saturday of the month, 10:30 AM (not in July)
Legion Auxiliary Unit 690	2 nd Thursday @ 7:30 PM (meetings NOT held in July or August)
Junior Auxiliary	3 rd Saturday; 10:00 AM to app. 1:30 PM at Post 690 (not in Jul or Aug)
Palatine Jaycees	3 rd Thursday @ 7:00 P.M