



DECEMBER 2018 MEETING MINUTES

American Legion Post 522

The November meeting of Post 522 was held Wednesday, 21st with 16 members in attendance. The meeting was convened in the usual and proper manner at 19:00 hrs. by Commander Carl Heiman. Two SAL members were in attendance with the Post.

MINUTES: The Minutes of the October meeting were approved as reported in the Newsletter.

GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS:

FINANCE REPORT: Finance Officer Al Yancy compiled the following: Beginning balance 10/01/18, \$18,017.76 receipts, \$11,666.00, disbursements \$6,072.27, giving us a checking balance of \$23,611.49, less the SAL balance of \$718.00 leaves us with \$22,893.49

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Building report: We are about to have the new drain installed.

Membership: No Report.

Bowling: \$15 for fees.

SICK CALL: No report

SERVICE OFFICERS REPORT: No report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CORRESPONDENCE: Maggie Anheuser sent a check for \$20.

NEW BUSINESS: There was a spaghetti dinner provided by member Brenda Fairchild on Dec. 8th. We will have the annual Christmas party on Dec. 15th.

NEXT MEETING: Saturday, December 15th, at 17:00 Christmas Dinner.

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POST 522

GOETZ-ST.LOUIS

NEWSLETTER

POST NEWS

It is the time of year that we often cast our eyes back on the preceding year and assess our accomplishments and, if one has any, our regrets.

Our accomplishments are so many as to insure some will slip by unnoticed. The liquor license has lead us down the path to financial prosperity. If you have been paying attention to the Finance Officers report it should have you smiling. Even in a period of rebuilding and improving the post our end balance has improved with every month.

When the Fire Department did their yearly inspection I pointed out that our emergency exit signs are lit and the doors are clear. Both of these improvements are attributed to member Frank Schmidt. That and with Frank building a beautiful back bar the Post is moving right along. The two of us have also installed a new faucet in the kitchen sink, washing dishes and rinsing will be much easier.

At our next meeting the Post and the Auxiliary will switch meeting rooms in so far as the Post meeting has outgrown the bar area.

Mike Grimm and I brought a lit sign to the Post, having to free it from the frozen ground, not fun.

We are in the verge of correcting our drain system in the bar

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SAL

As I have mentioned before we have the Wisconsin American Legion Mid-Winter Conference coming up. I am hoping to have at least one of our SAL members attend.

If any of you are interested in becoming bartenders we would like to talk with you and see if you are a suitable prospect. It can be fun and rewarding.

As you may have read in the Post News our bar is in for big changes. When the drains are connected to our main waste water system we will begin serving drinks in glasses. This is muchly preferred to the plastic cups we have been using with the ensuing advantage of being ergonomically preferable.

There is also the possibility that you could begin your own bean toss league. The one we are hosting now meets weekly on Thursday night. Stop in and get an idea of how it works and take it from there.

NEXT MEETING, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15TH AT 17:00

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Commander Carl's Comments

Fellow Members;

Here we are in December, busy with getting the bar plumbing in place, and the Christmas party planning for the 15th.

The hall is being used pretty much these days. The girls had their cookie's to pack and sell last week, they did pretty good. Don and I helped them.

Soon it will be Christmas and I wish you all a very Merry Christmas. God bless you all.

Commander Carl

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Our annual Christmas Party will be held on Saturday, the 15th of December. Starting with cocktails at 5:00 p.m. dinner at 6:00 p.m.. All Legion members of Post 522, its Auxiliary Unit, and the Squadron of Sons of the American Legion along with their families, or significant others are invited to this evening of celebration.

A dinner of turkey/stuffing, ham, and drinks, will be provided. If you could we are asking members to bring a dish to pass such as a salad, toss-spinach-pasta or raw vegetables, casseroles, fruit platters or a dessert of your choice.

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FOR THE GOOD OF THE AMERICAN LEGION: The membership voted to donate \$100 for wreaths on overseas graves. Mike Grimm delivered information on the status of the cabin bathroom. Thank you to Dan and Debbie Goetz for once again providing excellent support during the Golf Outing. It was decided to present an Honorarium and Scholarship in the name of Walt Skipper's father as our way of acknowledging his incredible support of our Post.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 19:47.

area. Work begins this week and we anticipate having the bar re-open by Thursday the 13th. This will mean a new era in bar service, the present sink is not correct for washing bar glasses and we are forced to use plastic cups. Further we will have a free sink into which ice and left over drinks and be dumped.

We have supported special events for fund raising. Two, so far, were donated by SAL member Walt Skipper. The pig roast and the lobster boil were screaming successes. Our annual community Safe Halloween with the Auxiliary decorating the hall and handing out treats to area children saw 105 costumed kids come through our doors. Other events included a costume party on Halloween, Heidi Hokenstad, auxiliary member and Cortney Maynard, legion member, decorated the bar area and planned this portion of the evenings festivities.

Community support by the 25 Sportsman members comes in two forms. First, is the outright donation of our new cooler and second is their using our Post as their meeting sight. The Hill and Gully snowmobile club now uses our Post for their monthly meetings. We have also become the place of choice for a bean bag tossing league, were they will have their weekly play at.

"Are you still with me?" I anticipate the next year to be at least as good as the last.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. Sat. 15th **Christmas Party** Cocktails 5:00 Dinner 6:00 pm.

Dec. Sat. 16th Sheepshead Tournament 1:30 pm, \$15 entry fee with half going to prizes. Raffles are also held.

Dec. Sun. 30th Bacon & Bloody Mary's 9:00 am-1:30 pm \$14 per person. Egg bake dishes, fresh fruit, and Bacon. Billionaire style.

Jan. Sat. 19th Casino Night at the Post 5:00pm-7:00 pm or 7:15 P.M.-9:30 time slots \$30 per person. Big winner for the night gets a weekend at either Ho-Chunk in the Dells or Oneida Casino in Green Bay.





Goetz St. Louis of Hubertus Second District Unit 522

Reports of committee chairman, bulletins and dates, can also be viewed on hubertuspost522.org

The mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to provide service to Veterans, their families and our communities.

The Unit meeting was called to order by President Karen Swearingen on Wednesday, Nov. 21st 2018 with 7 members present. Next meeting will be the Christmas party, Dec 15th 2019 @ 5:00 p.m..

Minutes: Secretary Gail Neuens: read the minutes of the Oct. meeting, they were approved as read.

Chaplain: Do to the absence of Lu Mueller the prayers were said by Gail Neuens. Thank you Gail.

Treasure Report:

Treasurer Joann Schmidt

Balance forward:	\$2522.28
Total checks written:	\$306.50
Deposits:	\$1105.00
Balance as of October 17, 2018	\$3320.78

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sunshine Report:

Chairman Barb Wollermann

Barb will be spending her winter months in the south. We are asking members to please direct your information for sick call or any information about a member to any of the officers of the auxiliary so we may share with our members.

Membership Report:

Chairman Rosie Schmitt

We have 53 paid members and our goal is to have 61 we need 9 more for a 100% membership unit. Please send your membership dues to:

Rosie Schmitt (262-628-1803) Home phone

1096 State Road, Hubertus, WI 53033

The dues for **2019** are: Senior \$35

Juniors under 18 as of Jan 1 **\$5.25**.

Old Business

Our unit donated \$150.00 towards Wreaths Across America. This is a program were a wreath is put upon all military graves across America. This will take place December 15th with the laying of the wreaths. Wednesday, Oct 31st was our Safe Halloween for the community. We had 105 trick or treaters in some pretty awesome costumes. Also for our golly guests we served hot chocolate and punch. Tuesday, the night before Halloween, members came to set-up and decorate the hall. The hall looked spooky great! Thank you helpers!

On Veterans Day, November 11th the auxiliary had cake and snacks available for any or all who came to the post to acknowledge Veterans Day. It was to recognize and say thank you to all veterans. Chili was also served while the Packer game was on. Thank you to all who helped.

Secretary Gail Neuens, is looking into the door hangers which will have information printed on

them about our Post and Unit. The proposal is for us to get out into the community finding homes or businesses that fly the flag on a daily basis and show them we appreciate and acknowledge them for flying the American flag. More info to come.

The cookies were made, brought to the post, weighted and packaged for the sale on Saturday, December 1st at Friess Lake school "Christmas in Richfield" event. Gail Neuens donated the door prize for the silent auction. The amount made at the cookie sale after all expensive was \$585.32, great job members! The Lions club sponsors and organizes this event.

I need to say to all who had contributed the cookies, fudge and the peanut clusters "AWSOME" job people!!! The variety of cookies was excellent, the boxes we packaged the cookies in were pretty, and we had plenty of cookies! I believe the count was 72 boxes packed at one pound each and a number more of them at two pounds, what a fantastic job everyone! No cookies left!

Thank you to Gail Neuens, Rosie Schmitt, Carolyn Connolly, Jenny Feiner for helping get us set up and selling all day long. And to all who made the beautiful looking and tasting cookies **THANK YOU** so very much along with the members who came down to the post to help package, put together the boxes, weight them and get them closed up great job and all the help was appreciated. We also had help from legionnaires Commander Carl Heiman and Adjutant Don Swearingen in the morning and at the end. Thank you veterans.

ATTENTION all Sheepshead tournament at the post every third Sunday of the month @ 1:30 p.m. the fee to play is \$15. with cash prizes. Mike Grimm who is the Sheepshead tournament chairman would like the e-mails of all interested sheepshead players. Mike Grimm's e-mail address is: mgrimm3@wi.rr.com he will keep you informed of all Sheepshead events. Please get on his list so not to miss out on any of the specials.

New Business:

We have been given \$500. from our post veterans to donate towards the VA gift shop at Zablocki with us as a co-giver, and we did just that.

As of the first of the year we the auxiliary will be holding our meetings in the bar area of the post due to the increase number of members now attending the legion meetings.

At the last meeting membership was asked if they would like to sponsor a delegate to

Badger Girls State for the next 2019 session from June 16-21 of 2019 held at UW Oshkosh at the fee of \$350.00 per delegate and membership voted to do so. I, Karen Swearingen as the chairman of BGS for our unit have a qualified delegate to attend BGS. The delegate's name is Kaliann Pafford a member of our unit who attends Hartford High school. I have been trying to get in touch with the counselor who heads Badger Girl State program at Hartford High school to get our delegate a reservation form, as of today she has not called me back.

It's time for the Annual Christmas Party starting with cocktails at 5:00 and dinner at 6:00 pm. Turkey with stuffing, ham and drinks provided. Anyone who attends is asked to bring a dish to pass of your choice.

VETERAN

It is the **VETERAN**, not the preacher, who has given us freedom of religion.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the lawyer, who has given us the right to a fair trial.

It is the **VETERAN**, not the politician, who has given us the right to vote.

It is the **VETERAN**, who salutes the flag, who serves under the Flag, who's coffin is draped by the Flag.

By Charles M. Province

Merry Christmas And A Happy New Year!

What is a VETERAN?

A "Veteran"-Whether active duty, discharged, retired, or reserve is someone who at one point in their life made a check payable to:

The United States of America for an amount of up to and including their life!

Author Unknown

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A HAPPY NEW YEAR

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MERRY CHRISTMAS