



Bensley-Rounds Post 280

Post Notes

Iroquois, South Dakota



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Next Meeting – June 2, 2011
Time: 8:00pm.
At Post Home, Iroquois, S.D.

Sick Call: Myron Zeeck

"Although no sculptured marble should rise to their memory, nor engraved stone bear record of their deeds, yet will their remembrance be as lasting as the land they honored."
~Daniel Webster

COMMANDER'S CORNER

Next meeting is June 2, 2011 at the Post home at 8:00PM.

Thank you to all who helped with the pancake breakfast May 8th. The next breakfast will be June 12th by the SAL for the Iroquois Museum.

Congratulations to Brent Matter; senior and Eric Wehlander; 8th grade on their selection for the Good Citizenship Awards.

Speaker for Memorial Day is Byron Callies of Watertown, South Dakota American Legion Department Americanism Officer. The program will be at the South Gym at 10:00AM on Memorial Day with honors at the cemetery to follow. Lunch will be served at the Legion Hall in Iroquois at approximately 11:30AM. Menu includes BBQ sandwiches, potato salad, beans, chips and dessert for \$6.00 per adult and \$3.00 for 11 and under.



Flags for the graves at the cemetery in Iroquois will be placed at 9:00AM on May 28th and the flags for the main street and the memorial will be placed at 8:00AM Monday, May 30th. All available help is requested.



Past Department Vice Commander Dave Owens swears in the elected officers

"Just Ask"

2011 Membership: 89.72%

Delegates to the Department Convention to be held June 23-26th were selected. They are Charemon Dunham, Annette Dunham, Colin Royal, and Dave Owens Sr.

Next County meeting is at Hetland on September 28, 2011 at 8:00PM. Dave Gutzmer of Lake Preston was elected County Commander at the April meeting. Jason Paul of Lake Preston was elected as County Vice Commander.

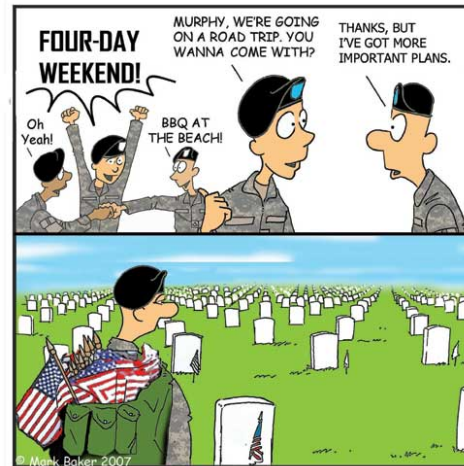
Any member who signs up two (2) new members, I will pay your next years dues. PUFLs will get the cash. - **Deb Jennings, Commander**

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership is doing well as we have 96 members paid for the 2011 year with a goal of 107. If you have not paid your dues please do so ASAP so we can get them in to the Department.

Remember, just ask the new member to join and ask the past member to renew their membership.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 30 - Memorial Day
- Jun 2 - Post Meeting
- Legion Day at Boys State
- Jun 12 - SAL Breakfast
- Jun 14 - Flag Day
- Jun 16 - Auxiliary Meeting
- Jun 19 - Father's Day
- Jul 4 - Independence Day

Jul 7 - Post Meeting
Jul 16-17 - Iroquois Sports Day
Sep 28 - County Meeting at Hetland

AUXILIARY UNIT 280 NEWS

The next meeting is June 16 at 7:00 PM at the Post Home.

Election of Officers took place, re-elected were: DeLores Royal as President, Charemon Dunham as Vice President, Lois Rounds as Chaplain, Marge Blue as Secretary, Dolly Wallum as Sergeant at Arms, and Annette Dunham as Treasurer.

Congratulations to Lexi Timm, senior and Sierra Crater, 8th grade on their selection and Good Citizenship recipients.

Remember to pay your dues and also remember that they are now \$14 for Auxiliary and \$3 for juniors.

The American Legion Auxiliary has a website at www.sdlegion-aux.org stop and check it out.

"I have never been able to think of the day as one of mourning; I have never quite been able to feel that half-masted flags were appropriate on Decoration Day. I have rather felt that the flag should be at the peak, because those whose dying we commemorate rejoiced in seeing it where their valor placed it. We honor them in a joyous, thankful, triumphant commemoration of what they did." ~Benjamin Harrison

Did You Know?

- The flag when lowered to half-mast first must be raised to full mast then lowered solemnly to half mast. When the flag is then lowered it must be raised to full mast then lowered.
- Memorial Day was originally called Decoration Day and is traditionally May 30th of each year.
- To help re-educate and remind Americans of the true meaning of Memorial Day, the "National Moment of Remembrance" resolution was passed on Dec 2000 which asks that at 3 p.m. local time, for all Americans "To voluntarily and informally observe in their own way a Moment of remembrance and respect, pausing from whatever they are doing for a moment of silence or listening to Taps."
- In July 1862, after the Seven Days battles at Harrison's Landing (near Richmond), Virginia, the wounded Commander of the 3rd Brigade, 1st Division, V Army Corps, Army of the Potomac, General Daniel Butterfield reworked, with his bugler Oliver Wilcox Norton, another bugle call, "Scott Tattoo," to create Taps



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Give your name, last 4 of SSN, date and time of your appointment(s), your address and phone.

CONVENTION BANQUET TICKETS

(From UTN #3050 4/13/11)

Tickets for the Joint Legion/Auxiliary/SAL Banquet at the State Convention will be available through advanced sales only.

The banquet will feature roasted prime rib, twice baked potato, corn O'Brien, and cheesecake. The cost for tickets is \$30.00 each. Send requests for tickets to Potter American Legion Post 3, PO Box 348, Chamberlain, SD 57325. Deadline for ordering tickets is June 20, 2011.

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION SQUADRON 280 NEWS

The Detachment of South Dakota Sons of The American Legion is raffling a rifle off this year. The rifle is a Ruger 77 Hawkeye. 270 caliber with case. Tickets are \$5 Each or 3 for \$10. Contact Colin Royal for tickets 605-354-0310. Drawing will be held at the Go-Getters at the Department Convention on June 25, 2011.

