



LEGION NEWS 245 NOV, DEC 2011-JAN 2012



COMMANDER'S REPORT:

Let's get ready for the Holidays, special events, and cool weather. In November there's Veteran's Day at Veteran's Park and after the ceremony food and drinks at the Post. Also in November, Jam Session Music and Thanksgiving Day. In December we have the Legion Christmas Party and New Year's Eve get-together in the Lounge. Also in December are Christmas and the Oratorical Contest. Read the activities section for dates. Let us all enjoy. Support Our Troops!

Juan Ramos

1st VICE COMANDERS REPORT

Members of Post 245 who have not paid your 2012 dues, I appeal to you, please pay them now. We are beginning to slow down on our renewals, but need to keep going. Our membership roster shows that a little over half of our members have paid their 2012 Dues. If you have not paid, please help us out to get our required total before Veteran's Day (Nov 11th). Please do not loose your continuous years of membership. Thank you for your time and for your dues.

Paul Altherr

2nd VICE COMMANDERS REPORT

The local Oratorical Contest will be at the Post on Dec. 11th at 1:00 PM. Please come and listen to the speeches and support our local students. They work very hard to perfect these speeches and a good audience is always nice.

Harold Siemens

SONS OF THE LEGION:

The members of Squadron 245 of the Sons of the Legion are meeting on the 2nd Monday of the month at 6:30 PM. It is time to renew your membership for the new year. We now have "Donation jars" at the Bar to benefit Tammy Kemp. If you would like to volunteer to help build an active SAL program please contact Johnnie Warus at 210-912-4490.

Johnnie Warus

BINGO COMMITTEE:

Both Friday and Sunday could use more workers, and if anyone can help, please call Tony Sandoval to get on the roster. Tony Sandoval 379-5544

CHAPLAINS REPORT:

They sacrificed for us. Let's pay them the respect that they are due. When called to attend a veteran's funeral, please assist your Funeral Detail with its duties. We need you!

Free Admission! Veteran's Jam Session (Country-Bluegrass-Oldies-Blues-Folk) at H.U.Wood Post 245 every 2nd Saturday (Except December) 6 PM till before midnight. Have a "Date Nite" at your Post- Great music-Dancing-Food-Beverages-Good Friends! Country Casual...see you there! Contact me with any info on ill members at alaskagrafe@yahoo.com.

Bob Grafe

ACTIVITIES:

The member socials will be Snacks after the Nov 11 ceremonies, the Legion Christmas Party on Dec. 10th starting at 5:00 PM, and a regular social on Jan. 28th. We also have started hosting a "Jam Session" on the second Saturday of the month (Nov. 12th). Please come and enjoy the music. The New Year's Eve get-together will be "Pot Luck" in the Lounge.

Juan Ramos

SERVICE OFFICER:

Should you have questions concerning your status as an eligible vet, please contact me or Bill MacAllister at 830-303-8870 in Seguin or 210-945-9708 ext. 3 in Schertz respectively.

Dan Klinger

ADJUTANTS CORNER:

Please volunteer to help Bingo and the Jam Session, as we always need more workers. We are planning a Carnival to be held in our parking lot in May and we will need a lot of help for that fundraiser. Come and enjoy your Post and support our troops and Veterans.

"Important Announcement"

There will be a Drivers Safety course at the Post on November 15th from 12:00 to 4:00 PM. The course is presented by AARP and will be free to Legion members and families. It is not for "ticket dismissal" purposes but will help reduce insurance rates.

Robert Jackson



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY H. U. WOOD UNIT 245 QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER November, December 2011 and January 2012

Dates to remember:

November 4th & 5th- Poppy Days
November 11- Veteran's Day
November 25- Thanksgiving
December 10- Legion Christmas Party
December 25- Christmas
December 31- New Year's Eve
January 1- New Year's Day

POPPY DAYS

Poppy days are scheduled for November 4th & 5th. Keep an eye out for our Volunteers at Wal-Mart & Handy Andi, honor their hard work by giving a donation to our Veterans. Also, the sign up sheet is at the Post home and we are in need of volunteers. Most of our Volunteers make it a yearly time to help with this program and you can be a part of this by giving a few hours of your time for a good cause. Bee Neumann and Bobbie Wesch are co-chairs.

MEMBERSHIP

Bee Neumann has worked hard to keep us at the top with membership for the new year 2012. We still need members to follow thru with their payments, 2012 dues are \$21.00 and can be mailed to **ALA Unit 245, P.O. Box 971, Seguin, Texas, 78156**. Please let Bee know of any address or phone changes to keep you updated on Auxiliary Information. (830) 379-2772

Plans of Works

Plans of works are available, we could use some help in working our programs, even if it is suggestions or information. These programs are an important part of our Unit and all members can be involved, we have a lot of Knowledge in our Unit so be a part and spread it around to all. Contact me at (830) 303-2564 with ideas or suggestions. Let's have ALA Seguin Unit 245 INVOLVED! If we miss out in helping we may leave someone in need still needing!

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Cathy Jackson is working on reviving our C&B for the new year, copies of present C&B's are available. Please check them out to return any suggestions you may have for changes or improvements. Here is your chance to get involved.

BINGO Nights

Friday and Sunday bingo teams could use some extra help. Don't forget our kitchen, we are always looking for fill-ins and would like to have volunteers available to give the current workers a break. If you can work in the kitchen, please call Gloria Carmona at (830) 372-8982.

BECAUSE WE CARE

Our deepest sympathy goes to the families of Gertrude Langley, Hattie Buss, Loraine Reiley and Eddie B. Garcia on their losses. Please keep all those who are ill in your prayers.

As the holidays are coming up quickly, please let us remember our members and Veterans in our nursing homes and Vet. Hospitals. ALSO, we still have military personnel that are deployed at this time of year. There are a lot of ways to let them know you are thinking of them and are Thankful for their service. Some ways take a few minutes of time. Flyers are available in the meeting room or contact me for other suggestions at (830) 303-2564

A very happy birthday to all of our November, December and January ladies!

**For God and Country,
Norma J. Szekely
Auxiliary President**



DATES AND EVENTS TO REMEMBER

- Nov**
- Oct 31- **Executive Board Meeting** at 6:30 PM
 - Nov 3- **Regular Meeting**, Meal at 6:00 PM - Meeting at 7:00 PM
 - Nov 1, 8, 15, 22, 29- Bridge at 1:00 PM
 - Nov 7- SAL Meeting at 6:30 PM
 - Nov 10- Dominoes at 2:00 PM
 - Nov 11- **Veteran's Day**
- Dec**
- Nov 28- **Executive Board Meeting** at 6:30 PM
 - Dec 1- **Regular Meeting**, Meal at 6:00 PM – Meeting at 7:00 PM
 - Dec 6, 13, 20, 27- Bridge at 1:00 PM
 - Dec 5- SAL Meeting at 6:30 PM
 - Dec 8, 22- Dominoes at 2:00 PM
 - Dec 10- Legion Christmas Party
- Jan**
- Jan 2- **Executive Board Meeting** at 6:30 PM
 - Jan 5- **Regular Meeting**, Meal at 6:00 PM – Meeting at 7:00 PM
 - Jan 3, 10, 17, 24, 31- Bridge at 1:00 PM
 - Jan 9- SAL Meeting at 6:30 PM
 - Jan 12, 26- Dominoes at 2:00 PM
 - Jan 28- Member Social

BINGO EVERY FRIDAY AND SUNDAY NIGHT AT 7:15 PM

Nov Bingo Workers—

- Friday Nights-- H. Mondin, J. Blakeney, R. Jackson, P. Altherr, T. Sandoval
Pull Tabs—Fran Altherr, Cathy Jackson Events- B. Aguirre
- Sunday Nights-- J. Warus Jr., M. Green, J. Blakeney, N. Szekely, J. Commisso
Pull Tabs-- Nell Finch, Ann Nixon Events- B. Aguirre

Dec Bingo Workers—

- Friday Nights-- H. Mondin, C. Hoagland, J. Blakeney, B. Huser, T. Sandoval
Pull Tabs-- Bobbie Wesch, Irene Koepsel
- Sunday Nights-- J. Warus Jr. A. Camacho, J. Whitlock, M. Warus, J. Commisso
Pull Tabs—Annette Larsen, Connie Kypfer Events- B. Aguirre

Jan Bingo Workers—

- Friday Nights-- H. Mondin, J. Blakeney, J.J. Chapa, M. Green, T. Sandoval
Pull Tabs-- Maria Sandoval, Vernell Crosnoe
- Sunday Nights-- J. Warus Jr. M. Warus, J. Blakeney, M. Green, J. Commisso
Pull Tabs-- Vernell Crosnoe, Irene Koepsel Events- B. Aguirre