

# **THE HARTMAN POST**



## **BUGLE**

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### **COMMANDERS REPORT**

Hello Everyone,

March is just about over as I write this edition of the Commanders Comments. I just came from a meeting with the Nomination Committee and was disappointed to learn that they are again having trouble finding Legionaries of our Post #84 that are willing to volunteer to accept an Officers Position for the forthcoming election in June. Our Post has 641 members that continue to maintain their membership in the Legion Organization. I understand that there are many that live out of Columbus even out of state but there are still plenty of members here in Columbus and surrounding area. I have stated in the past, the few volunteers that continue to support the Post are just plain being beat up and over extended to maintain the income to sustain our Post. Fish Feeds, Chicken Feeds, Weddings, Business Meetings and small gatherings for anniversaries and birthdays all require cleaning up from previous events and then setting up for the next one. If more of our members don't soon step up to assist in these efforts, we will be forced to hire outside labor to complete these tasks.

It takes approximately \$20,000.00 per month of profitable income to continue operating our Post home. We have not been meeting this requirement. Without the above events and the volunteer labor to support them we will soon be back to operating as we did prior to the rebuilding of our Post home. We have a beautiful facility that is basically the show place of Legion Post's in Nebraska. It saddens me that we may eventually end up like so many of the smaller posts that have had to curtail operations or close the doors. Last month I appointed a committee to look for solutions to the many concerns that we have for continuing operations as well as cutting expenses. I would ask all of you to consider attending the Post Meetings and take an active part in deciding where we are going in the future. Our Post has a long history and our members should have the pride and commitment to make sure that we continue to support the American Legion and the programs that it represents, as well as the benefits that we enjoy, by belonging to an organization that continues to fight for veteran's benefits and programs.

**HOPE TO SEE SOME NEW FACES AT OUR POST MEETINGS.**

Ken Christensen  
Commander Post

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## **BINGO**

**Come and enjoy a game of Bingo**

**Every Wednesday Night**

**Bonanza starts at 6:00**

**Regular games start at 7:00 pm**

## **CHECK OUT HARTMAN POST 84'S NEW WEBSITE**

[www.columbusamericanlegion.org](http://www.columbusamericanlegion.org)

Hartman Post 84's new web site is up and running and ready for you to use and explore. Check out our site to see what's going on with the Post's organizations, and club activities. There are pages that represent our current organizations some displaying information, such as the Bugle, Membership information, Flag etiquette and a Calendar with current and upcoming events. There are links to National and State American Legion web sites also available.

We hope to use our site to keep members informed, and promote our Local Post to the community. We also encourage all our members to contact us with ideas, input, thoughts, and concerns about what content you may want to see displayed. This is an evolving site which can be changed and updated rather quickly. Check it out, see what you think and send us an e-mail by going to the Contact Us area of the Home Page and type a message. We will be glad to discuss any issues with you.

Committeeman  
Bill Ingold

## **BOYS STATE**

Congratulations to the following three Juniors selected and approved to attend Cornhusker Boys State hosted by the Nebraska American Legion. It will be held on the UNL Campus June 4-19, 2017. American Legion Post 84 delegates and sponsors are: Columbus High School, Paxton Myers - Noon Lions Club. Columbus High School, Yefry Pasapera - Hartman Post 84. Lakeview High School, Hayden Nelson - Hartman Post 84. The three delegates recently attended an orientation meeting, concerning Boys State Activities for District 7 at the American Legion Post 84.

## **BOWLING TOURNAMENT**

The 6<sup>th</sup> annual Veterans Tournament was held on May 11-12, 18-19, 25-26. The Tournament is open to members of the VFW, American Legion & Sons of the American Legion. It was held at Westbrook Lanes.

Our participating sponsors were HyVee, Budweiser, Post 84, Westbrook Lanes, Sleep Inn, VFW, and Lotto Nebraska.

There were 17 team entries. Newman Grove Post 73 took first place with a payback of \$500.00. Pleasant Dale Post 354 took 2<sup>nd</sup> place with a payback of \$300.00. There were 27 Double Teams with Kelly Scarlett/Kent Rothfuss taking first, from Hastings. From Columbus, Rick Fuhr/Jerome Jakub placed 23<sup>rd</sup>. Steve Reichmuth/Gary Stenger placed 13<sup>th</sup>. Bob Clifford/Sam Hellbusch placed 15<sup>th</sup>. Carol Enzminger/Gary Muth placed 31<sup>st</sup>. Dan Korger/Steve Korger placed 33<sup>rd</sup>. Bob Hopp/Marlin Rieck placed 36<sup>th</sup>. Dan Borowiak/Scott Swanson placed 46<sup>th</sup> and Dan Oalkey/Ed Brezenski placed 47<sup>th</sup>

The singles had 97 entries. From Columbus we had Bob Hopp in 11<sup>th</sup> place, Gary Stenger in 13<sup>th</sup> place, Scott Swanson in 17<sup>th</sup> place, Gary Muth in 19<sup>th</sup> and Steve Reichmuth placed 21<sup>st</sup>. There was a payout to the top 24 bowlers.

In All Events, Alex Banks from Newman Grove took 1<sup>st</sup>. Gary Stenger placed 8<sup>th</sup>, Martin Rieck placed 32<sup>nd</sup>, Dan Kurger placed 37<sup>th</sup>, and Bob Hopp was in 41<sup>st</sup> place.

There were bowlers from 15 towns. We have a team that comes from Rushville every year, but no teams come from the Omaha area. It was a good year.

Chris Dixon

Bowling Chairman

## **MEMORIAL DAY**

Memorial Day is Monday May 29<sup>th</sup>. The program will start at 10:30 am. Senator Deb Fisher will be the guest speaker. Paxton Meyers, one of the Boys State representatives will give the Gettysburg Address. The Legion Choir will sing. The Legion will have a luncheon following the program. In case of inclement weather the program will be held at the Legion Club.

Chris E. Dixon

Adjutant

## **POST EVERLASTING**

**At the Birthday party on March 11<sup>th</sup> the following Post #84 Legion Members were transferred To Post Everlasting.**

**Dennis W. Nagengast -- Korea**

**Leonard Martin -- Korea**

**Arland L. Jonson -- Vietnam**

**Robert L. Raitt -- Korea**

**Mark A. Keller -- WWII**

**Ralph V Eickhoff -- WWII**

**Kenneth J. Torzon -- WWII**

**Eugene L. Kuhn -- WWII**

**Richard A. Cielocha -- Korea**

**Edward J. Woodward -- Korea**

**Delbert Klevemann -- Vietnam**

**Jack Fickel -- Korea**

**Harold O. Nyffeler -- WWII**

**Lawrence Vanpelt -- WWII**

**Erwin W. Wieser -- Korea**

**Walter W. Kimmel Sr -- WWII**

**Roger M. Bredahl -- Korea/Vietnam**

**Edward F. Szatko -- Vietnam**

**William B. Moore -- Peacetime**

**Robert E. Lee --**

## **CRUISE NIGHT**

**The American Legion will again host Cruise Night this summer. Owners are encouraged to bring their favorite ride to the Legion on the last Thursday of the month, May through September, from 6-9 p.m. All makes and models of cars, trucks, and motor cycles are welcome. There is no entry fee. American Legion Riders will be selling hamburgers, hotdogs and fries. The public is invited to attend.**

**Connie Hickey**

**Assistant Manager**

## **MEMBERSHIP**

**As of April 28<sup>th</sup> I show 614 paid members. I need 33 more of you to send me your 2017 dues in order to reach our goal of 100%. Our membership committee will be calling on unpaid members.**

**Chris Dixon**





