



The Palmer Lake Post

June 2009

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Comrades – Post 3915

As I sit here thinking about what to write this month, I keep going back to the thought that this is the end of my first year as Commander and how fast it went. On May 17, I took the oath of office for the second time. I was told that the second year will be easier than the first, and I know that with the help and support of my Officers and Members, this will be a successful year.

I trust that everyone had a safe Memorial Day. We had our ceremony at Mound Cemetery in Brooklyn Center. Memorial Day is the one day of the year that we as a Nation remember those who have died in our Nation's service.

There is one event in June that I would like to tell you about. On June 13, the "Minnesota Honors Vietnam Era Veterans" event will be held on the State Capitol grounds. This will be a daylong event featuring guest speakers, KIA roll call, unit reunions, displays, a parade of colors, music, food and more. Please take a look at this website, www.mnhonorsvietnamvets.org – it will have more information.

* * ANOTHER IMPORTANT EVENT * * *

FLAG DAY – SUNDAY, JUNE 14 – 1:00 p.m.
Ceremony will be held at the Monument at the Post.
Everyone is welcome to attend!

One last and very important item is on June 29, we will have our next Blood Drive. The times will be 2:00 - 7:00 p.m. For information and appointments, call Gary Archambault at 763-432-9828 or sign up at the Post. Please let Gary know if you can help make phone calls or donate your time for this important event.

Yours in Comradeship,
Bob Hystad - Commander, Post 3915

Comrades – Post 217

Comrades and Sisters, your line Officers elected for 2009 for Clarence Labelle Post 217 are:

Chuck Quigley - Commander
Jim Dwyer - Sr. Vice
Don Fox - Jr. Vice
Tom Boris - Quartermaster
Bob Quigley - Chaplain
Glen Petersen, Axel Korsmoe & Vern Hermsen
- Trustees
Floyd Longerbone - Surgeon
Bob Holberg - Judge Advocate

We have accomplished more this year than we have any other year. We just keep getting better and better. Thanks for staying with us and for doing all the work you do. God Bless all.

We did a great job on the Poppy Program thanks to Jim Dwyer & Bob Holberg who manned the Post at Festival Foods. Our first timer, Rolland Faulds, was at the BC Government Center, and my brother, Frank, manned Cub Foods in Brooklyn Center. Yours truly peddled a few poppies at the Cub Store in Maple Grove. Good job all and thanks to those of you who sent in money to support our mailing campaign.

We had a well attended 55 & Alive Class in May – 48 people showed up for the discount on their auto insurance.

Watch for your invitation to Clarence Labelle's Post dinner on June 11. They will be mailed Friday, May 22.

Home of the brave, land of the free. Because our Veterans were brave, we are free. God Bless all of them!

Till next time,
Chuck Quigley - Commander, Post 217 - 763-424-6417
Jackie Gehrke - Auxiliary President, Post 217

Post 3915 Meetings: 2nd Wednesday
Next Meeting: 7:00 p.m. – June 10

Post 217 Meetings: 3rd Wednesday
Next Meeting: 7:30 p.m. – June 17

Watch for these Post Events:
RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – Every 60 Days in 2009!
Monday, June 29 (Sept. & Nov. TBD) – Time 2:00-7:00 pm at the Post

Visit our website for Officers, Post events and Post information: www.palmerlakevfw.com
REGISTER ON LINE AND YOUR NEWSLETTER WILL BE EMAILED!!
Important: Please notify the Post if you have an address change.



PALMER LAKE LADIES AUXILIARY POST 3915

Dear Sisters,

Well, this will be my last newsletter as your President. I want to thank each and every one of you Sisters for these last three years. It has been a very rewarding time in my life and I look forward to continuing to work for the Auxiliary and the VFW. I want to congratulate the newly elected and installed Officers and wish them all the best in the upcoming year. I know that all of you will give our new President, Jill Morton, the same support and love that you have given me.

The VFW Convention is being held in Rochester on June 17-20. I will be attending and hope to bring back some new ideas for our next year.

The Men's Auxiliary has taken on a project to support Cell Phones for Soldiers. You can bring old cell phones to the Post and they will handle it from there.

We are still collecting:

- UPC codes for the VFW National Home for Children. This is an ongoing collection and I am not certain that many of our members realize this. Please drop the UPC codes at the Post. We also collect used eyeglasses for donation and they also can be dropped at the Post.
- Personal care items for the VA hospital and home and for MAC-V. You can drop donations in the box by the door at the Post.
- Personal care items targeting our female troops. Francesca Bill discovered an organization called SOFT (Support Our Female Troops). They have a central distribution center in the States that take the donations, and they in turn distribute them where needed to our troops overseas. If you care to contribute, please drop your donations at the Post and mark them for SOFT.

Please remember to support our Steak Fry and Pancake Breakfast. We have a new Kids' Meal at the Steak Fry starting in June. For \$3.00, they can choose between a hot dog (or) hamburger AND chips (or) salad bar. Bring the family down for some good food! Tell your friends too!!!! The website has all the details.

Our Golf Tournament will be on June 6th. This year we decided to support our Post Color Guard with proceeds from the tournament. Thanks much to Pam Johnson for organizing this event. More info on website calendar link. Dust off your clubs & sign up at the Post!

Don't forget to report your Community Service to Francesca Bill. Please contact Judy Hystad at 763-561-9122 or the Post at 763-560-3720 regarding any illness or deceased members.

We are still paying the first \$50 for life membership. Share the word with your friends who might be eligible to join our Auxiliary.

* * BLOOD DRIVE – MONDAY, JUNE 29 * *

If you would like to donate blood, call Gary Archambault at 763-432-9828 or sign up at the Post. If you have an hour or so to help with phone calls, or handle the snack table or check in people on June 29, Gary really needs a team effort to make this a success. It is such an important donation! Thanks.

Remember, the best gift we can give our Troops is Prayer. Please be generous with that gift!!

Loyally,
Kim Mudge, Ladies Auxiliary President – Post 3915
Email: kim.mudge@yahoo.com

Ladies Auxiliary Meetings: 2nd Tuesday Each Month
Next Meeting: 6:30 p.m. – June 9

Watch for these Ladies Auxiliary Events:
June 19 - Steak Fry (3rd Friday Each Month)
June 28 - Pancake Breakfast (4th Sunday)



PALMER LAKE MEN'S AUXILIARY POST 3915

Members,

After all the business from the Fish Fry's to the Sportsman's Raffle, we are hitting a slow time right now. But, with everyone busy with Summer coming up, it is time to start talking about our Fall Golf Tourney at our next meeting on June 3rd.

The Post conducted their Annual Installation Ceremony on May 17 and myself and most of the Officers attended. Also, six of us attended the free Bartending Seminar put on by the ELKS Club in May.

Future meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m.!

If you have any membership issues or want to get signed up, see Mike Marthaler. If you have any community service to report, contact Stuart Ruud/Jr. Vice and he will document it for you.

Also, we are all trying to help build the Blood Drive donations that are held every 60 days at the Post. The next donation is June 29. If you would like to donate blood or help with the Drive, call Gary Archambault at 763-432-9828 or sign up at the Post. Your help is appreciated!

Respectfully,
Gary Lind,
Men's Auxiliary President – Post 3915

Men's Auxiliary Meetings: 1st Wednesday Each Month
Next Meeting: 6:00 p.m. – June 3

Watch for these Men's Auxiliary Events:
Fall Golf Tournament



Palmer Lake VFW 3915 Calendar - June, 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	June 1	2 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM House Committee Meeting 6 PM - 8 PM Horseshoes	3 6 PM - 7 PM 3915 Men's Auxiliary Meeting 7:30 PM - 11 PM Karaoke	4 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Bar Bingo	5 7:30 PM - 12 AM Y'all Come DJ	6 11 AM - 5 PM Golf Tournament 7:30 PM - 12 AM Karaoke
7	8	9 6 PM - 8 PM Horseshoes 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM 3915 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	10 7 PM - 8 PM Post 3915 Meeting 7:30 PM - 11 PM Karaoke	11 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Bar Bingo	12 7:30 PM - 12 AM Y'all Come DJ	13 9 AM - 3 PM Remembering Vietnam Era Fallen Heroes 7:30 PM - 12 AM Karaoke
14 Flag Day 1 PM - 1:30 PM Ceremony at Post Monument	15	16 6 PM - 8 PM Horseshoes	17 7:30 PM - 11 PM Karaoke 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM Post 217 and Auxiliary Meeting	18 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Bar Bingo	19 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM Steak Fry 7:30 PM - 12 AM Y'all Come DJ	20 7:30 PM - 12 AM Karaoke
21 Father's Day	22	23 6 PM - 8 PM Horseshoes	24 7:30 PM - 11 PM Karaoke	25 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM Bar Bingo	26 7:30 PM - 12 AM Y'all Come DJ	27 7:30 PM - 12 AM Karaoke
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