



**February 2011**

**PALMER LAKE NEWS – POST 3915**

*CHARTER 1965*

Good Day Members,

The date is 16 Jan 1991 and I was playing broomball in St. Paul. When the game was over we went into the bar to socialize and there it was, the President was addressing the Nation- we were about to go to war in the Middle East. The object, remove Liberate Kuwait from Iraq. Before that night, I really never paid much attention to the Middle East; it was just a far off land for me.

Well it is now the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Operation Desert Shield/ Storm and I want to thank all the Veterans that served during this conflict. As I read more and more about these Veterans, I have become much more aware of the sickness and hardship they are facing. If you are one of those Veterans struggling,

stop by the Post and see if we can point you in the right direction to get the assistance you need. We have a great Service Officer who is always willing to help. We lost total of 293 Heroes, 148 to combat and 145 to non-battle deaths.

I wish to extend my personal gratitude to EVERYONE who assisted in the successful New Year's breakfast. I thought the event went extremely smooth and Packer Lou, Booya Dave, Chef Stu, and Sing-a-long Shorty rocked those omelets.

Enjoy Winter. Until next time.

Yours in Comradeship,  
Scott Bill, Commander, Post 3915

**CLARENCE LABELLE NEWS – POST 217**

*CHARTER 1930*

Comrades and Sisters,

Our Host Post 3915 has an important event scheduled for our meeting night in April. We are moving our meeting in April to the 4th Wednesday instead of the 3rd Wednesday. Please mark your calendars for this change. The April meeting will be April 27, 2011, at 7:00 PM. On May 18, we will go back to our regular meeting night. Come join us for a meeting.

Thanks to Candy Pelz of our great Auxiliary for making the Poppy display which won first place in its category at the Seventh District Meeting. On to Mid Winter Meeting and maybe another winner. Thanks again, Candy.

Our Sr. Vice Commander, Jim Dwyer, is going through some medical problems and he needs our prayers, so remember Jim and God Bless.

Needy Veterans are still in need of clothing, books, toiletries, etc. Have some, call me.

**REMEMBER**

There are no great men only great challenges that men take. WWII was such a challenge and our great Veterans won that challenge.

**God Bless our WWII Veterans!**

Chuck Quigley, Commander, Post 217, 763-424-6417  
Alice Naslund, Auxiliary President, 763-432-6737





## LADIES AUXILIARY NEWS

CHARTER 1966

Dear Sisters,

Happy Valentine's Day! Take a moment to give a Veteran a great, big hug and even bigger thanks for their service to our country and wish them a Happy Valentine's Day, too. Everyone likes a special Valentine! Here's a thought...

You can make a difference to active and retired service men and women – any day of the year. Simply write a note or sign a card to let our veterans know they are not forgotten. Your letter only needs to be addressed to "Valentines for Veterans" in care of the addresses you will find by following this link below for a list of all offices, or call the VA toll-free at 1-800-827-1000 for the address of the closest facility.

<http://www2.va.gov/directory/guide/home.asp?isflash=1>

Letters should be mailed to your nearest Veterans Affairs medical center, or drop them off in person. Consider stopping by the Brooklyn Park Vet Center at 7001 78<sup>th</sup> Ave. N, Brooklyn Park, MN 55445 or call them at 763-503-2220.

Join us at the Minneapolis VA Home for Game Night on Tuesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will coordinate a vanpool there and back, so please meet at the club for a 5:30 pm departure. Bring your smiles, positive energy, and your game-playing skills for this rewarding and fun-filled event.

Remember to report your **community service**! Please contact Marcie Short.

Please continue to donate items for our female troops under our SOFT program!

Please stop by for our Grill Night on Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm or our Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Yours in Sistership,  
Francesca Bill, Ladies Auxiliary President, Post #3915  
-Frankie-  
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## MEN'S AUXILIARY NEWS

CHARTER 2004

Members,

Keeping in spirit with the Holidays, we have donated to a number of good causes lately. Some examples are the Vets Home, Palmer Lake, Christmas presents to needy Veteran's families, BP/BC Historical Society, etc.

Coming up in February, we will be having a Turtle Lake Casino bus trip on February 12. There will be a signup sheet at the club and it is open to the first 50 people. Please sign up by the 9<sup>th</sup> so we can get the manifest to Turtle Lake in time! Cost is \$20 a person with \$5 back at the Casino. Free beer on the bus also. The bus will leave at 11:00 AM and return at 5:00 PM.

Lent is coming and with it our annual Fish Fry's. This is every Friday through Lent (7 weeks) and we need **A LOT** of help so please come out and give a hand an evening or two!

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.

We have a new shipment of hooded VFW sweatshirts for sale so stop in and pick one up if someone you know could use one.




Also, we are all trying to help build the Blood Drive donations that are held every 60 days at the Post. 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. The next Blood Drive is March 2 from 2:00-7:00 p.m. Your help is appreciated!

Future meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m.! Attend the meeting and be heard!

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

Four Time All-American  
**PALMER LAKE VFW**  
 Post 3915

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31 5:30 PM Member Drawing	February 1 5:30 PM Meat Raffle 5:30 - 6:30 pm House Committee Mtg. 7 PM - Bargo	2 Ground Hog Day 6 PM 3915 Men's Auxiliary Mtg. 7:30 PM Karaoke	3 6:30 - 10:30 pm Karaoke	4 7:30 PM Bargo	5 12 pm - 3 pm Cribbage - \$6 3:30 PM Meat Raffle 7:30 PM Karaoke
6 SUPER BOWL SUNDAY - Pot Luck starting at 3:00 pm!	7 5:30 PM Member Drawing	8 5:30 PM Meat Raffle 7 PM 3915 Ladies Auxiliary Meeting 7 PM - Bargo	9 7 PM Post 3915 Meeting 7:30 PM Karaoke	10 6:30 - 10:30 pm Karaoke	11 7:30 PM Bargo	12 Lincoln's Birthday 11 am - 5 pm Turtle Lake Casino Bus Trip - Sign up at Post 12 pm - 3 pm Cribbage - \$6 3:30 PM Meat Raffle 7:30 PM Karaoke
13	14  Valentine's Day 5:30 PM Member Drawing	15 5:30 PM Meat Raffle 7 PM - Bargo	16 7 PM Post 217 and Auxiliary Mtg. 7:30 PM Karaoke	17 6:30 - 10:30 pm Karaoke	18 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm Grill Night - Steak,Chicken or Salmon 7:30 PM Bargo	19 12 pm - 3 pm Cribbage - \$6 3:30 PM Meat Raffle 6 pm - 7 pm District Golden Dinner --Kraus Hartig # 6587 7:30 PM Karaoke
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