



American Legion Don Gentile Post 532 News Bulletin

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FROM THE COMMANDER: JOE BEE

Stepping Up: As Veterans, most of us belong to more than just the American Legion, most also belong to the VFW, Amvets and the NAUS Club. We receive magazines from each organization and I wish everyone could receive them, for the one thing they have in common is that in most of the articles or stories are about someone “Stepping Up”, going beyond what you would expect of the ordinary person. As I read the stories I feel all kinds of emotions, excitement, sadness and being in awe of what some are willing to do for themselves and their buddies, makes me feel humble. Those are young men and women doing the right thing in a bad situation, thank God for them.

At the post, it is not quite as demanding but we still have members and employees “stepping up” to get the job done and I thank all of you for that. We still have some room for more though, if you would like to be part of something great, just step up.

For God and Country

Joe Bee, Commander

1st VICE COMMANDER.....ROSS A. CAPERS JR.

We are working on changing our image within the circles of our younger brethren. More often than not, the perception among the younger generation is that veterans organizations (such as post 532) are places to get a cheap beer and exchange war stories. Focusing on this misconception with younger veterans and the wider community of youth outside our circles is the key to recruiting an active youth membership for the future of Post 532 and all veterans organizations.

The foundation of our membership was built by those who served prior to our younger veterans. The “Pillars” that hold up the virtual walls of Post 532 can only continue to rise if the youth of today stand to raise these walls as members with us. Membership is the primary focus of my role as 1st Vice Commander. My goal is to encourage everyone to reach out to those who may be eligible for membership and have yet to take the next step. We need to make a concerted effort to engage the youth within our families and community . Many veteran’s organizations are not thriving, these new “recruits’ are vital to our future. You are their link to becoming a member.

An article entitled “A Commander for Everybody” by (Matt Grills, published October 2011 in the American Legion magazine) detailed National Commander Fang Wong’s road to the American Legion. Fifty years ago, he was presented with the American Legion School Award Medal by Lt. B.R. Kimlau Post 1291 in New York’s Chinatown. National Commander Wong also received an envelope with \$15.00 which happened to be just enough to cover his next semester at Chinese Public School. The article goes on to say that Wong is a big fan of Legion’s youth programs.

“You plant a seed and you will get a harvest at a certain point. The young people who benefit from the Legion, they appreciate it. When they are ready they will come back and join”. Not everyone will be a national commander. But when Legionnaires reach out to children in their communities, they inspire another generation of leaders, Wong says. For the post’s \$15.00 I gave them 40 years of service”. He says “That is a good investment”.

“Early Bird” cutoff is Nov. 11th to qualify for the free dinner.

“Leadership is a potent combination of strategy and character. But if you have to be without one, be without strategy” (General Norman Schwarzkopf)

For God and County

Ross A. Capers Jr. 1st Vice Commander

LEGION OFFICERS 2011-12

Commander..... Joe Bee
1st Vice Commander.. Ross A. Capers Jr.
2nd Vice Commander.. Mike McCarter
3rd Vice Commander...Jim Rader
3 Yr. Exec. Officer.... Sam Lehman
2 Yr. Exec. Officer.... Fred Pentello
1 Yr. Exec. Officer... Denise Alexander
Adjutant..... Denny Furtaw
Finance Officer..... Bob Lytle
Chaplain..... Bernie Brogan
Sgt-at-Arms..... Larry Lupton
I.P. Commander Bernie Brogan

Canteen Manager..... Tonya Wilson

Greetings everyone.. I begin by thanking all our members for their continued support of our canteen.

We have some great entertainment lined up for your enjoyment every Friday night which coincides with our drawing at 9:00pm. Also don’t forget about our drawing on Thursday and our “Ace of Spades” on Mondays, both are at 7:00pm

Join us every Saturday as we host the “BUCKEYE” game with food, raffles, door prizes and drink specials, check out our for new 40” televisions behind the bar. A reminder that we are aware that not everyone’s comfort level is the same, but we will always try to appease all that we can.

Some noteworthy changes have been made that differ from last year, We will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, but we will open at 5:00pm until closing time. Also important, our employees Christmas Party will be on Tuesday, Dec. 13th. So the post will only be open from 11:00am to 5:00pm

On Christmas Eve we will be open from 11am to 5pm.

On New Years Eve we will open at 11:00 and close at 4:00pm to get ready for the 7:00pm New Years Eve party. We have scheduled the “Firebirds” for your entertainment. Price is \$15.00 Sgl. \$25.00 couple and includes food, party favors, and champagne at midnight. We will be closed New Years Day. God Bless

Tonya



Ladies Auxiliary Report

PRESIDENT LADIES AUXILIARY: PUAULA CHRISTMAN

Hello Ladies, Well, fall is officially here! The auxiliary has some exciting things planned for the remainder of the year and into the next year. Thanks to all of you who attended the "Support the Troops" LUAU and help make it a success. Special thanks to Jeanne and Erik Herderick, Vickie and John Malone, great job carving the pig John. Thank you Fred Pentello and Ginny Kearns for the entertainment and decorations. Dana Peterson... we so appreciate you. Plus many more who stepped up and helped, without your blood sweat and tears this event would not have been possible. On September 15th myself and five auxiliary members visited the VA hospital in Chillicothe for the birthday party. It is very heartwarming to see how these men and women look forward to these visits and the "small tokens" of appreciation that we bring to them. We do this twice a year, our next visit will be in January 2012. You are invited to come along... it will give you a sense of what we are all about.

October 18th is Central OH "Stand Down" that will be held at Vets Memorial. It starts at 8:30am and runs to 1:30pm. This is an event to help homeless men and women veterans. Veterans with proper ID will receive free hair cuts, winter clothing, legal aide, access to many local services, medical screenings, personal grooming kits, job placement, as well as a hot lunch. If you would like to volunteer your time to help with this event please e-mail to Volunteer@CentralOhioStandDown.org

November 11th is Veterans Day, the post will be providing free meals for the veterans and the Ladies Auxiliary has been asked to provide the desserts. As always, we need your help and support in doing what this Auxiliary does best.. Provide support and aid to our veterans, the men and women who are currently serving,, as well as their families and our community.

For God and Country
Paula Christman, President Ladies Aux. unit 532

First Vice President Vicki Malone

The Ladies Auxiliary is proud to welcome the following new members to our unit: Diana L. Jackson, Lillian D. Myers, Judy M. Hall, Taylor H. Steiner, Paula K. Mann, Zora Sue Smith, Elizabeth P. Hartwig, Marie H. Cook, Jodi D. Hobbs-Saunders, Kendra M. Roe, Norma J. Brown and Marilyn R. Cherup. We look forward to getting to know each of you and anticipate your involvement in the betterment of the Auxiliary.

Sincerely,
Vicki Malone, 1st Vice President

Second Vice President..... Jeanne Herderick

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD BAKERS!!!
 On Sunday December 4th from noon to 4pm we will be selling Christmas Cookies and Fudge by the pound. We are asking for your donations of baked goods, if you bake them yourself please just bake one type of cookie or one kind of fudge, no need to bake two or three types of cookies. We will have sign up sheets for our bakers at our October and November Ladies Auxiliary meeting and in November we will have the sign up sheet posted on the community bulletin board by the offices. Along with the goodies we will be offering gift baskets at an additional cost.
HO-HO-HOPE to see lots of cookies and goodies. Lots of shoppers too!
 What better way to get all your holiday baking in on place. Thanks you,
Jeanne Herderick, 2nd Vice President

AUXILIARY OFFICERS 2011-12

- President..... Paula Christman
- 1st Vice President..... Vickie Malone
- 2nd Vice President..... Jeanne Herderick
- Secretary Gladys Caudill
- Treasurer Sandy Blackburn
- Auxiliary Executive Committee
- Sylvia Kelly Angie Pulsinelli Venus Bee

THE AUXILIARY PLANNER

October

- 7th: Auxiliary Executive Meeting— 7:30pm
- 12th: Ladies Auxiliary Meeting — 7:00pm
- 15th: District Fall Conference at unit 164 Grove City, Registration @ 9:00am Mtg. @ 10:00am
- 16th: Kids Halloween Party from 1 to 3pm
- 18th: Central OH Stand Down Vets Memorial from 8:30am to 1:30pm
- 23rd: Early Bird Dinner 1-4 pm

November

- 7th: Auxiliary Executive Meeting 7:30pm
- 9th: Auxiliary Membership Meeting 7pm
- 11th: Veterans Day, Free dinner to Veterans

December

- 4th: Cookie Sale
- 11th: Kids Christmas Party 1-3pm

NEWS From the KITCHEN

Stop by and say "hello" to our new part-time short order cook, Brianna Newkirk. Brianna is a high school student with aspirations to pursue psychological studies. This is Brianna's first job and she is doing it with excellence. Also a reminder that beginning October 3rd there will be a slight change in kitchen hours. Monday thru Thursday 11am to 7pm on Friday we will remain open till 8pm.

With colder weather on the way soup will be available everyday, and hot meals every night except Tuesday which is still SUB night. Friday will continue to be fish or shrimp dinner. We ask that you let a waitress take your order rather than coming to the door to order, except on the rare occasions when no waitress is working. You are also encouraged to bring in your friends, neighbors or family members for lunch or dinner.

A foot-note: if at anytime, anyone has questions, concerns or comments about the food, the service or anything else concerning the kitchen, please direct them to me only, not to the servers. We look forward to continuing serving our members and their guests.

Dana Peterson, Kitchen Manager



Sons of Squadron 532 News

SAL SQUADRON 532 COMMANDERBRUCE BROWN

Well it is football season again and looks like it could be a long season for our BUCKEYES.

I would like to thank everyone who worked so diligently who helped with the joint LUAU event sponsored by the SAL and the Ladies Auxiliary. Too many to name individually, but you know who you are and we are very grateful that you stepped up and helped make it a successful event. Speaking of stepping up, hate to wear out the phrase...but the SAL has every other football game on Saturday as well as other post functions and could sure use a little help from our members. It seems the ones who help are the same ones all the time. So please...get involved.

A reminder that our membership meeting is always the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7pm. We would love to hear your new and fresh ideas or complaints as far as that goes. The meetings are the place to air them.

On a sad note, we lost our very first Squadron 532 Commander, Bill Adams passed away in September. He will be missed around here, he has been coming to this post for many years. I was not a member yet when Bill became the first Squadron Commander, I am grateful for him and I vow to carry on with the legacy that he started.

For God and Country

Bruce Brown, Squadron 532 Commander

SAL OFFICERS 2011-12

Commander	Bruce Brown
1st Vice Commander.....	Mike Harris
2nd Vice Commander.....	Shane Hughes
Adjutant	Jerry Bryan Sr.
Finance Officer	Bruce Brown
Chaplain	Tom Getz
Advisor	Jerry Bryan Sr.
Sgt-at-Arms	Ron Newcome

SAL Executive Officers

1 Year.....	Erik Herderick
2 Year	Dick Crawford
3 Year	Mike Hickman

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Newsletter, Calendar and other info.

More Legion News and Reports

Post 532 Service Officer: DEL MEEK

For informative help with filing your VA claim and or information about your rights and entitlement to benefits, contact Del at the following number or e-mail address.

Del Meek, CPA
614-335-5241
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Obtain your DD-214 online through National Personnel Records Center (NPRC)

Web Address: <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/evetrecs/index.html>

TAKE NOTICE

We are now doing the newsletter 3 months at a time, for obvious reasons, cut costs on mailing and copying. However, it is rather difficult to make up a menu two and three months in advance, so October menu is included in this issue. November and December menu has not even been thought of yet, but when they do get thought of, and that thought gets put on paper, we will make a whole bunch of copies and leave them here in the canteen for you to pick up the next time you come in. Can't come in? call the post and ask, what's for dinner? Number is 614-539-4748

The Lawyer Next Door

The nastiness of divorce knows no bounds. It's often better if the parties can instead agree on a dissolution, Ohio's version of "no fault" divorce. In a dissolution, one party's attorney prepares the documents needed. The other party signs an affidavit/waiver stating that they realize they can hire their own lawyer at any time. However, the document states that they are using one lawyer in order to save money and because nothing is contested.

Franklin County also has local rules of court. It is those internal regulations that require any and all divorcing couples to live separate and apart for 30 days prior to filing. That assures that the duo plans to split for keeps, rather than filing a case in reaction to a mere spat. The dissolution begins with a petition. There are no plaintiffs and defendants, only people petitioning the court to dissolve the marriage. These are forms required listing assets, liabilities and health-care insurance policies. Most important is a separation agreement. It details virtually every aspect of the separation of people, property and the care of minor children. It is an enforceable contract, and is the basis of a "contempt" motion when one party stifles the other under the contract.

Finally, a date for the dissolution hearing is set 6-8 weeks after the filing. Before issuing a divorce Decree, the Court will ask the divorcing couple if they have tried counseling, if they understand everything in the documents, how long have they lived in Ohio-and apart and a number of other questions—Is the woman currently pregnant? Even older women are asked this question. That is because the old common law contains the "Doctrine of the Fertile Oocagtegenarian." Because Elizabeth in the Bible was impregnated with John the Baptist at age 80, the law passed down from England assumes that a woman can get pregnant up to age 80. It only comes to play today in the law of Trusts, but is still asked in divorce cases often regardless of age.

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American Legion Post 532 Honor Guard Services

*The following Soldiers , Sailors , Airmen and Marines
Have been Transferred to the High Command*

7/01/11	Edwin Emery	U.S. Army	Sunset
7/13/11	William Scott	U.S. Navy	St. Joseph
7/13/11	Gordon C. Eagle	U.S. Army	G.C. Cemetery
7/19/11	Francis Pontones	U.S.M.C.	Sunset
7/23/11	Charles Radich	U.S. Army	St. Joseph
7/23/11	James Payne	U.S. Air Force	Obetz
7/28/11	Martin Tracy	U.S. Navy	St. Joseph
7/30/11	Raymond Durfey ***	U.S. Navy	Cremated
8/02/11	Alonzo Sharp	U.S. Army	
8/02/11	Howard Fyffe	U.S. Army	Obetz
8/04/11	George Schrecengost	U.S. Army	Greenlawn
8/05/11	Ronald Hamilton	U.S. Army	Field of Honor
8/18/11	Jerry Tabor	U.S. Navy	Sunset
8/18/11	Harold Hoover	U.S. Army	
8/20/11	Daniel Gantt	U.S. Army	
8/29/11	Edward Weber	U.S. Army	Greenlawn
9/15/11	Leslie Perry	U.S. Army	Wesley Chapel
9/17/11	Robert L. Stewart	U.S. Army	Greenlawn
9/27/11	Walt Britton	U.S.M.C.	Sunset

*** Denotes Past Commander Post 532

We are looking for two or three more veterans to join our post Honor Guard. We are certified by the Department of Defense and considered one of the more elite Honor Guards in Central Ohio. Our motto is "We Honor those who Served."

Applicants must be neat in appearance and be available for duty on weekdays. We supply your uniform including shoes. If you are interested, call Bernie Brogan or Ross Capers to set up an interview to see if we would be a good fit for each other.

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