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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Hello Veterans,

August is here and I have one month behind me. I would like to thank Joe Brown once again. I had no idea how much day to day material and business he dealt with.



Okay, on to the good stuff. The Golf Committee is going great guns with a lot of response to their canvassing and mailings. There is always room for one more hole sponsor at \$100 or gift for the golfers.

We have a group looking into beautifying the outside of the Club, making it look more like a modern Legion. We'll report more when something comes of it.

The TV coverage was excellent for Memorial Day Legion Riders. It's always good for them and the rest of the Club. It looked really good! Didn't know Gilmore and his bike were so photogenic!

Reid Oberle, Bill Lyke and Joe Brown went to the State Convention in Mahanomen, MN July 18th-20th. They will be reporting back at our next Post meeting.

Let's say a prayer for the 19 firefighters who died and all our troops still in harm's way.

—Tom Quick, Commander
Cell 269-6729 or hm 289-6987
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AUXILIARY NEWS

Here is the kick off for the upcoming Auxiliary 2013/2014 session and we already have fun plans in the hopper for all of our members to enjoy, so stay tuned for announcements via newsletter or email. I would like to first thank Evelyn Lyke for her past year of devotion and guidance to our Unit. I would also like to thank all that helped in anyway with fundraising, companionship to a veteran, ideas and your membership to our organization. It all 'happens' because we make it 'happen'.



Many of you went to the Department Convention in July and I am anxious to learn what transpired. It is a fun time for many to reunite with old friends and meet up with the new Officers.

The photo from the Rochesterfest Grand Parade is of our own Ms. Poppy, Abigail Vermeersch. Her chariot was adorned with a beautiful sign designed by her mother (Lisa) and this photo was taken by her father (Troy). Abigail is the granddaughter of Ginger and Jerry Vermeersch. I have had the pleasure of working with Abigail during placing and removing the flags from the cemetery for Memorial Day and she showed such great enthusiasm during the Memorial

Day Parade riding in the box car. Abigail would love to help with any function you may have, so please let me know of upcoming events and I will see if that fits with her schedule.

One of our upcoming events will be The Rochester



American Legion Auxiliary October Bazaar and Bake Sale, slated for October 19th from 9 AM to 3 PM, held at the club. I encourage all who want to participate to keep this date in mind and contact me with questions. I know Bridget Buebendorf has many vendors ready and the season is right around the corner. I will be getting contact information out in the next newsletters.

Elections were held at our last meeting in June and our own District One Madam President Jill Mueller did the installations. If you have not met Jill yet I hope you do as she is a warm fun-filled gal with great vision for the upcoming year. With the new officers in place, our Executive Board will meet on August 20th, 2013 at 7 PM at the club. This is an important one as we discuss budget and our plans for the upcoming year.

Shirley Oberle and I will be working on a note to go inside each member's dues renewal envelope. This past year Shirley worked very hard and was rewarded with our Unit making goal for membership! Congratulations Shirley!

There is a picnic planned for District One (which we are all a part of) and it will be held in St. Charles in the park at the shelter on August 18th with Jim Kellogg serving (I believe) Turkey, Ham and Hotdogs at noon. Bring a dish to pass and your own plates.

If you need to contact me, you may call 507-288-1411 or at sharo2100@yahoo.com. In turn, anyone who wants updates emailed to them please send me your address and I will include you at that time.

August 14 is marked as VJ Remembrance Day which was the end of WWII. Let's take a moment to reflect and remember our veterans.

—Sharon Kingsley, Auxiliary President

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40/8 NEWS

Hello Voyageurs:
 The Promenade is Tuesday, August 13th.
 Bring a dish to pass for the potluck at 6 PM.
 Installation of officers at 7 PM. Anyone interested
 in being in a parade contact Jerry Towey 288-8052. We still
 need drivers and walkers.



—Richard Skillestad, 40 & 8 Correspondent

BAR NOTES

Dear Bugle Readers,
 Summer has just flown by! We now prepare for my
 favorite season, FALL!

We will soon be starting up the fish fry season in
 September. I will have a few changes to the menu on the
 fish fries but I think everyone will like them. The first fish fry
 will be Friday, September 13th and every Friday following
 that. If any groups want to raise money, I have some
 Thursdays and Saturdays available for spaghetti dinners,
 steak fries and maybe even a chicken dinner if I can come
 up with the money for the cooker!

To the veterans, thanks for all you did and do for our
 Country!

Volunteers, please contact me or a bartender if you can
 help us out with anything! Don't forget to thank Smitty,
 Jake and the rest of the Golf Committee for doing a
 fantastic job on the tournament set for Saturday,
 September 7th. This one will be spectacular.

As Always...GO GOPHERS!

—Todd Ihrke, Bar Manager

**DEB PETERSON, OUR OFFICE ASSISTANT,
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BAR - HAPPY HOURSMonday - Friday 10 am to 8 pm, Saturday 10 am to 1 pm
KITCHEN HOURSMonday - Friday for Lunch 11 am to 2 pm, BINGO Saturday 11 am to 4 pm

AUGUST 2013



**Check Out
Our Daily Kitchen
LUNCH
SPECIAL**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> Check Out Our Daily Kitchen LUNCH SPECIAL </div> </div>				Turkey Croissant 1	Steak Sandwich <i>Spaghetti Dinner</i> 5-7:30 PM <i>Baby Boomer Boogie Band</i> 6-10 PM 2	<i>Cribbage at Noon</i> 3
<i>Poker 3 PM</i> 4	Cook's Choice <i>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen</i> 8 AM <i>Poker 7 PM</i> <i>Operation MN Nice</i> 7 PM 5	Sloppy Joes <i>Executive Committee Mtg.</i> 7 PM 6	Buffet (Kitchen Open) <i>Burger Nite</i> 5-7:30 PM <i>Bam Karaoke</i> 6-10 PM 7	Lasagna <i>Legion Riders</i> 7 PM 8	Beef Stew <i>Taco Bar</i> 5-7:30 PM <i>GL Karaoke</i> 6-10 PM 9	<i>Cribbage at Noon</i> <i>Kitchen Open</i> <i>BINGO</i> 1-?? PM 10
<i>Poker 3 PM</i> 11	Cook's Choice <i>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen</i> 8 AM <i>Poker 7 PM</i> 12	Turkey Dinner <i>Promenade</i> 7 PM <i>Rendezvous</i> 7 PM <i>40 & 8 Screening Comm Mtg.</i> 6 PM 13	Buffet (Kitchen Open) <i>Burger Nite</i> 5-7:30 PM <i>Kickback Karaoke</i> 6-10 PM 14	Steak Sandwich <i>Purple Heart</i> 7 PM 15	Smothered Pork Loin <i>Spaghetti Dinner</i> 5-7:30 PM <i>Bill Moore One Man Drumming</i> 6-10 PM 16	<i>Cribbage at Noon</i> 17
<i>Poker 3 PM</i> 18	Cook's Choice <i>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen</i> 8 AM <i>Poker 7 PM</i> 19	Meatloaf <i>Post Screening Comm Mtg.</i> 6 PM <i>Post Mtg.</i> 7 PM <i>Auxiliary Executive Comm Mtg.</i> 7 PM 20	Buffet (Kitchen Open) <i>Burger Nite</i> 5-7:30 PM <i>GL Karaoke</i> 6-10 PM 21	Pulled Pork Sandwich 22	Spaghetti <i>Taco Bar</i> 5-7:30 PM <i>Colt 45's</i> 6-10 PM 23	<i>Cribbage at Noon</i> <i>Kitchen Open</i> <i>BINGO</i> 1-?? PM 24
<i>Poker 3 PM</i> 25	Cook's Choice <i>KWVC Breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen</i> 8 AM <i>Poker 7 PM</i> <i>Vietnam Vet Mtg.</i> 7 PM 26	Pot Roast <i>Marine Corps League</i> 7 PM 27	Buffet (Kitchen Open) <i>Burger Nite</i> 5-7:30 PM <i>Karaoke Group</i> TBD 28	Chow Mein 29	Lasagna <i>Spaghetti Dinner</i> 5-7:30 PM <i>No Music</i> 30	 31

PULL TAB BOOTH OPEN DAILY

SCRATCH TAB MACHINE

Sunday1 pm to ?? Available TimeWhen Club is Open
 Monday - Saturday11 am to Closing

GAMBLING EXPENSES

Gambling report month of June 2013
 American Legion Post 92
 Roger K. Vangness, Gambling Manager
 Post 92 Rochester MN Lic. B-00254

ALLOWABLE EXPENSE	AMOUNT
PAYROLL	\$5,338.18
FEDERAL PAYROLL TAX	\$1,747.24
MN PAYROLL TAX	\$380.00
COMBINED RECEIPT TAX	\$13,722.00
ADVERTISEMENT	\$340.00
LEGAL SERVICE	\$356.00
OFFICE SUPPLY	\$705.99
UTILITIES	\$246.58
PULL TABS	\$3,215.12
MEAT TRAYS	\$280.00
SHORT BANKS (games pulled)	\$938.00
TOTAL ALLOWABLE EXPENSES	\$27,269.11

LAWFUL PURPOSE	AMOUNT
MN ENERGY RESOURCES	\$135.00
ROCHESTER PUBLIC UTILITIES	\$2,181.00
US TREASURY (form 730)	\$502.94
VETERANS IN DISTRESS (2)	\$550.00
AMERICAN LEGION EMBLEM SALES	\$912.55
DISONS CLEANERS	\$17.82
ROCH CENTURY GIRLS SWIMMING	\$500.00
SOLDIERS FIELD VETERANS MEMORIAL	\$5,373.00
TOTAL LAWFUL PURPOSE EXPENSES	\$10,172.31

**TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THE
 MONTH OF JUNE 2013** **\$37,441.42**

KOREAN WAR VETERANS CLUB

Several items to report on, as this has been a very busy month.

I thank Clete Pollack for giving me a note indicating Chris Fogerty, Principal at Century High School, appreciated the KWVC picture of our club presented to him at the last monthly visit prior to school summer vacation. He also mentioned the good feelings all of us felt when the people attending the Rochesterfest Parade expressed respect and appreciation as our trailer passed by. Everyone enjoyed watching the parade and their patriotism with applause, salutes, and thank yous made each of us so proud to be Korean Veterans and a part of the Rochesterfest celebration. We thank the coordinators of this wonderful event.

On July 8th, 2013 **Rick Freshwater**, the son of Earl Freshwater, came to our Monday morning breakfast at Grandma's Kitchen and presented a large framed picture of the Korean War Memorial in Washington D.C. Rick's father passed away, but not before telling Rick that he wanted the

picture to be given to our Commander Cy Kubista of the Korean War Club in Rochester. We thank Rick and want Earl's entire family to know how much we appreciate the picture and will think of Earl as we look at it.

In a previous issue of the Bugle, I mentioned that KWVC member **GEORGE INGALLS** passed away – George will be missed by our club and as a board member. Recently his family donated a significant amount of money to our club as a memorial to George and we thank them for doing so.

On Tuesday evening, July 9th, 2013, Cy Kubista, Pete Peterson, and Ken Thamert presented the VFW Commander, Chad Stowers, a picture of our KWVC members at their membership monthly meeting. The inscription thanked the VFW for recognizing the 60th year of the end of the Korean War. At this event, the VFW honored 99 Korean War Veterans who were in attendance. The official armistice was signed on July 27th, 1953.

Our KWVC participation in parades continues, as we were in the July 4th Stewartville parade. The last parade we will take part in is the Chatfield Western Days parade on Saturday, August 10th, 2013.

It's not too early to mention and promote the Local Heroes Day which is sponsored by **Universal Marine and RV** and will be held at their facility from August 15th through August 17th, 2013. This is an annual event so please mark on your calendars.

The biggest Korean War event to ever be in Rochester will be the National Korean War membership meeting being held in Rochester in 2014.

To all of you Veterans who served anywhere in the world from 1950 to 1955, please consider joining our Korean War Veterans Club. Just come to Grandma's Kitchen restaurant any Monday morning about 7:45 AM to have breakfast with us and see what we are all about. A fantastic group of men!

For information about joining the Korean War Veterans Club contact Cyril (Cy) Kubista, Commander, (507) 254-4911 or Ken Thamert, Adjutant, (507) 289-0836.

—Ken Thamert, Adjutant, (KWVC)

FELLOW PATRIOTS



Hello...The Purple Heart Chapter that meets at Post 92 is having their first Viola fundraiser drive on August 10th. The Legion and the VFW have Poppy drives and the Viola is the flower of the Purple Heart organization. The VIOLA is the National Flower of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. Deep-hued and wide-blossomed, the purple floral symbol was adopted in January 1946 as was the proclamation designating August 7th through August 14th inclusive, adopted as Purple Heart Week in the United States. August 7th was chosen because that was the date that General George Washington created the Order of the Purple Heart Citation, and August 14th, which is the anniversary date of V-J Day. Viola "tag days" are generally held during this momentous week. Prestige and funds grow abundantly from publicity and the profitable proceeds.

Greetings fellow Patriots

Thank you for your service

—David J. Meyers - Cmdr Chapter 7451
 Military Order of the Purple Heart

SAL 92 SQUADRON NEWS:

Membership meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 7 PM in the poolroom. The next meeting will be held on September 12th.

It's that time of year again. Yes, it's time for dues again. Our dues are \$21 for adults, \$10 for Dual members, and \$8 for youth. Cards have been sent out as reminders. Dues can be paid at both the office or drop it off at the club. Again, **please**, don't forget that if the payment is for a youth, put the birth date on the information card and if you have an e-mail address, please include this. Our cost has gone up like everything else around us and we might try to look into doing reminders next year by e-mail. We might be looking for a few people who are good with the computer or will take time to educate my old ways to the up-to-date ways of doing things.

I have a few things we might want to do differently this year and like always, I am hoping people show up at our next meeting. I'd like to get plenty of other ideas from members and even get things voted on before making any changes.

I have been waiting to send off officer names this year. I will do so by the middle of August to give anyone an opportunity to get more active or be dropped. If anyone is interested, our donations are on the board above the SAL cabinet on the board, for the last two years.

We are still looking at doing a fish fry. I am just not going to say when the SAL night is going to start or begin because of Labor Day weekend. Sometimes it makes the beginning of the month a mess.

A reminder: if anyone is going to re-new their Sam's Club membership, to do this at the membership desk. Veterans get a \$15 dollar gift card. I just like trying to save money for anyone these days.

I would like to tell about a good deed I did because I like to think this kind of thing is contagious. There is a house that I drive by on my way to work and I happened to notice the American flag had seen better days. I stopped and offered to exchange the flag for one I had and the owner was extremely grateful. I just thought this is a way of helping our neighbors and making it count.

Hope everyone is having a safe summer, see you around!

—Dave Bilderback - 92 Squadron Commander



MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Marines & FMF Corpsman,


I would like to invite you to attend our next Marine Corps League Meeting on August 27th at 1900hrs. The Marine Corps League meets every 4th Tuesday of the month at the American Legion, Post 92. The Marine Corps League was started to help preserve the traditions, promote the interest and perpetuate the history of the United States Marine Corps and by fitting acts to observe the anniversaries of the historical occasions of particular interest to Marines. Both Active Duty and Honorably Discharged Marines and FMF Corpsman, aid voluntarily and render assistance to all Marines, uniformed and civilian, as well as their widows and orphans. We are a family, a brotherhood, of both young and old that support not only each other but its community. Come join us on Tuesday, August 27th and simply check us out. And afterwards we can get together and tell stories about how hard the Corps was "back in your day!"

If you have any questions, you can reach me at 507-254-6069 or at commandant@ThorMCL.org

Semper Fi

—Commandant Gilmore - Marine Corps League
Thor Detachment #606
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STORIES FROM
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The Post-Bulletin is looking for stories from area veterans for its 2013 Veterans Day magazine. If you would like to submit a story for review, send a 750-word or less typed page with photos to Sue Johnson at suefj1@gmail.com or mail to 6423 Granite Dr. NW, Rochester, MN 55901. Deadline is August 9, 2013. You can also leave them at the bar for Wayne Stillman.



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NEWS FROM 92 RIDERS

On July 4th, some of our Riders took a day trip to Arcadia, WI to visit Memorial Park. Let me say, if you haven't gone over to see their veteran's memorial, then you should definitely go for a visit. It is quite impressive and a scenic drive along the way. It's well worth your time to go (and you will have a chance to go if you keep reading all the way to the end of my column). You can see some photos of our day on the 92riders.org website. When we returned back that evening, the 92 Riders also participated in the Stewartville parade. The parade was fun, but it was darn hot on the bikes.



If you missed it, KTTC did a news story about the 92 Riders on July 4th. They came out at the start of our ride to Arcadia, WI and interviewed one of our officers, interviewed him again when we returned from the ride, and got some video footage of us in the parade. All in all, it was great exposure for the Legion Riders and the American Legion, too.

Coming up on August 10th, the American Legion Riders 2013 Minnesota Legacy Run will be coming through Rochester, with a scheduled stop at the Rochester Post. They are scheduled to arrive at approximately 3 PM and depart 30 minutes later. If you aren't aware, the MN Legacy Run is a motorcycle run throughout Minnesota with the proceeds to be donated to The American Legion Legacy

Scholarship. The scholarship was created as a result of Operation Iraqi Freedom and the global war on terror leaving many children of our active-duty military personal in single-parent households. The funds raised will ensure that higher education will be a reality for these families. If you are available, please stop down and show your support!!! Donations will also be accepted.

Lastly, the 92 Riders would like to send out a "save the date" notice for October 5th. We just approved an annual ride/drive to area veterans' memorials. There are so many veterans' memorials within a 150 mile radius of Rochester, and like most people, we never find time to go visit them. We decided to host an annual event where we will go visit these memorials and hopefully, get some of the public coming along too. Every year, we will pick a different destination. Depending on the distance and size of the memorial, we may visit only one or we may stop at several. This first year, we are heading back to visit Memorial Park in Arcadia, WI. We will post flyers in the club and get it listed on our website once we get all the details worked out. Mark it on your calendars; [you are invited to join us on October 5 to go visit Memorial Park in Arcadia, WI.](#)

If you are interested in joining the 92 Riders, check us out at our regular monthly meeting held on the 2nd Thursday of every month. Our next meeting is Thursday, August 8, 2013 at 7 PM in the Post 92 Club.

—Tony Loecher, Vice President 507-358-6389