



SOUNDOFF

November - December 2013

*George P. Vanderveer
Post 129 American Legion
(Established 1919)
2025 Church Road
Toms River, NJ 08753*

COMMANDERS MESSAGE

Leaves are starting to fall, seasons are changing and as we move forward into fall and winter I realize that there is never any slow time here at the Post. We had a very successful year out at the bunker bar with more great things in store for spring of 2014. If all goes well we will have the picnic area paved, the pole barn up and the pavers at the grilling area are ready to kick off another great season at the picnic grove and the Bunker Bar. A special thanks to Rick Maliniak for the great job of installing the pavers by the grilling area.

On September 11th we had the pleasure of honoring 18 former POWs from the Vietnam war era to celebrate 40 years of freedom since their release from captivity. Our Legion Riders escorted the

POWs from the Ramada Inn on Route 70 to our Post. There were over 80 riders that participated, what a sight to see. All the Legion family out front of the Post cheering and waving American flags giving these guys a real hero's welcome as they pulled into the parking lot of our post. The Silverton Volunteer Fire Company had their ladder truck with a large garrison flag flying at the very top of the extended ladder. What a great tribute for these heroes. A special thanks to the Legion Riders, American Legion members, American Legion Auxiliary, Silverton Fire Company, Tom King and the Shamrock Thistle Drum and Pipe Band for providing the entertainment for the event, and Ryans Catering and there staff for a great buffet, and to all that helped make this event a memorable evening for the POWs and their families.

On September 14th we had a bus trip to West Point for the

Army/Stanford game thanks to Ralph Morantz, Mike Catalano and staff for making it a success.

Members of our post also attended Watchfire in Seaside Heights on September 21st. This somber ceremony is presented by the SAL. Thanks for all that attended.

Special thanks to the Auxiliary for their efforts in making the Flea Market and Bunco a success.

Also on Friday, September 27th active duty personal began their 'Run for the Fallen'; leaving Cape May at 6:00 AM, stopping every mile at a designated marker honoring one of our heroes killed in action. On Saturday, September 28th the run ended here at Post 129 around 7:45 PM where everyone was invited into our Post home for dinner and refreshments. The next day they continued their run to the Vietnam Memorial in Holmdel. Members of our Post were present as they crossed the finish line. Thanks to all that attended and supported the event.

On Saturday, October 5th we had a Drive4Ur Community at Downs Ford where members of the Legion family participated in a fund raiser to raise \$6000 for our Post. For every test drive Ford Motor Company donated \$20.00 per test drive. I am proud to report that we had over 300 test drives that day so I think we hit our goal. Special thanks to Downs Ford for hosting the event and supporting American Legion Post 129 and all the Legion family members that

(photo via Christine Meyer Karl
on Post 129 Website)



Many of the former POWs pose at the Meet & Greet

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COMMANDERS MESSAGE

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participated and helped with the running of the event. And a special thanks to SAL Commander Dan Curran for without him this fund raiser would not have happened.

The Toms River Veterans Day parade is Monday, November 11th. We need marchers so please come out and support and honor our veterans. The parade steps off at 0930 by the Office Lounge. If

you are disabled, we will provide a ride on the DAV float. After the parade all are welcomed back to the Post for lunch. We reached out to the Oceanaires to see if they can come and do a few songs for us and hopefully they will be here. Also on Veterans Day we will be attending a memorial service at the Ocean County College at noon. All are welcome.

There will be a list of upcoming events posted on the bulletin board in the Post lobby so please stop by and check out all the events that we'll be having here at

Post 129. Also, please don't forget Sunday, November 24th because it is our Veterans Thanksgiving Day dinner. We have arranged to bus in veterans from all conflicts from the VA hospitals in the area. We can always use some help so please come out and lend a helping hand. You will find it's a very rewarding experience.

Thanks to all the volunteers that help with the running of the Post. Remember, you are the back bone of this organization. Without you it would be impossible to accomplish what we do here at this great Post. Remember, we are a family here and let's respect and support one another. Thanks again for all that you do.

Any questions or concerns please call or email me.

For God and Country

Rich Godfrey
Commander
732-604-8326
Rjg548@comcast.net

RIDERS MESSAGE

Since our last posting on SOUNDOFF the Legion Riders have been a busy group. For the first time since 2001, September 11th gave me something to think about other than terrible attack on our country. Our Post hosted 18 Veterans of our Military Service that were formerly POW's at the infamous Hanoi Hilton prison camp. In doing our part, the Riders along with other motorcycle groups led an 84 motorcycle escort from the Ramada Inn in Toms River to our Post for a Meet and Greet. These brave men were thanking us for not forgetting them

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All the former POWs signed a POW/MIA flag which will be proudly and prominently displayed at Post 129.

while they were held prisoners and for still remembering them for their service. Very humbling for all our Post members that met these great men.

On Thursday, September 12th many of our members went to 'Bike Week' in Ocean City Md. For any motorcycle enthusiast this is a great 'long' weekend.

On September 28th it was a great day to honor our fallen Veterans. 'Sgt. Major' Joe Reiher and Mike Schaffer started out the day taking their bikes to the Vietnam Memorial to honor the lone female killed in action in Vietnam. Later that afternoon Sgt. Major, Rich Gato, Ray Miller and I along with the Post color guard attended a ceremony at Central Regional High School for the dedication of Cpl Christopher Monahan on the schools Wall of Honor. Later again most of our Riders participated in Run for the Fallen. An event that I am sure that all our members are familiar with. Our Post stands out in this event every year. A day that was very worthy of our support.

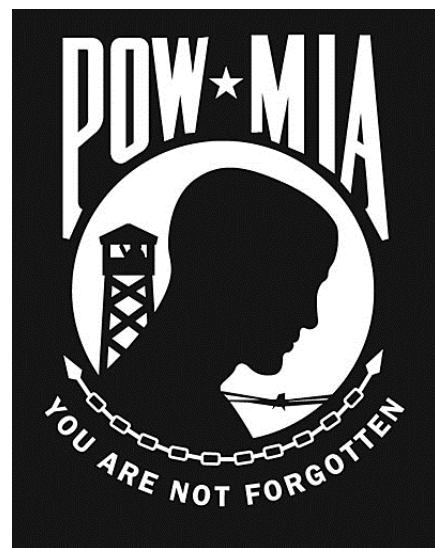
On October 5th the Riders par-

ticipated in the American Legion Riders 3rd annual ride to the N.J. Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Prior to that many of us took a test ride at Downs Ford on Route 37 to participate in a fund raiser sponsored by SAL Commander Dan Curran. Good Job Dan.

Last entry for the Riders was a Poker Run sponsored by the Blue Knights XV of Monmouth County. Many of our Riders are dual members of this group. The run was started in Hazlet but the end stop was our own Post 129 and the picnic area. The proceeds of this event went to the foundation of 1st Lt. Brian Brennan. Lt. Brennan in 2008 was a victim of a roadside bombing in Afghanistan. He lost both legs, partial loss of one arm and brain damage. This 23 year old at the time of his injuries recovered enough to fight the government to stay in the service of his country. His foundation aids in assisting families such as his while the victims of such injuries try and recover. In this ride over 300 motorcycles from as far away as New York, Pennsylvania, and one motorcyclist from Florida came to this event.

It was brought to my attention that an individual came to Commander Godfrey and asked what the Riders do for our Post. This hit me personally, and I realize that many persons think of us in a negative way. After all many of us have long hair, beards, mustaches, and overall 'biker' look. The one thing that I take from knowing so many members of the Post is that the majority of its membership understands what we do as Riders representing Post 129. We honor the living as well as the deceased Veterans of our Country in the best way we know how.

Respectfully,
Art Brown,
President
ALR Post 129



MEMBERSHIP

Thank you to all the Early Birds that sent in their dues. But we are falling behind this year. Ocean County is rated 18th in the State for dues renewals. Please send in your 2014 dues, we need the help so that we can continue with all the great programs that the American Legion Sponsors.

Your annual dues help support programs in your community and across the nation. American Legion programs and services include, Troop Support, Child & Welfare Foundation, Heroes to Home Towns, American Legion Baseball, Department Service Officers Support Network, Flag Advocacy & Etiquette, Junior ROTC & ROTC, Operation Comfort Warriors, Scholarships, Veterans Job Fairs, and many more.

Thank you for ensuring that The American Legion remains the most powerful voice in America on behalf of Veterans, Service members, their families, and communities across the nation.

Any member that is struggling with month-to-month bills and cannot pay their dues, please contact me at rjg548@comcast.net or call me at 732-604-8326. I can help.

For God and Country
Rich Godfrey
Commander



...every Thursday.

Doors open at 5PM...
...play starts at 7PM.

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50/50 - Mystery Prizes

CANTEEN NEWS

Eric Inauen

Every year, when Fall arrives, we get busier and busier. And Why Not? Great friends, great food, great entertainment and great beverages (for those of you who may get a little parched), all meet up at one **Fantastic Place--The CANTEEN.** As we talk about greatness, we must include our bartenders. From the time our doors open, which is 11AM daily, they constantly come up with new ways to make your day or night more pleasurable. A Big Thumbs Up to Wendy, Bernice, Robin, Lisa, Lori, Jen, Warren, Duke and Dave for the job that they do.

The Bar Staff (Rich Godfrey, Dave Kearns & Eric Inauen) would be remiss if they did not recognize PJ and Jimmy Murray for the many things they do, to help keep the Canteen running smoothly.

Hot Meals 7 Days A Week: Ryan's Catering offers a full four (4) page menu of appetizers and entrees everyday of the week. In addition, they have delicious specials which change daily. Ryan's continues to offer their "\$20 Saturday Night Special." Every week Members and their guests can select two (2) soups or salads, two (2) entrees and a shared dessert for the ridiculously low price of \$20. You are also allowed to mix and match. How do they do it? We don't know, and we don't want to know. Our kitchen hours are from noon to 7PM, Sunday through Wednesday, noon to 8PM on Thursday, and noon to 9PM on Friday and Saturday.

Friday and Saturday Nights: Every Friday Night the Canteen has a rock & roll band. The True Tones, Crosstones, Crystal Boogie, George Markey and The Cra-

zy Lester Band (from Great Adventure) are to name a few. On Saturday Night, along with our \$20 Saturday Night Food Special, the Canteen hosts Karaoke with DJ's like Guiseppe, Jersey Girls, D-CEE, KYLE and others. Whether you choose to dance, sing or just hangout and listen to the sounds, it is a great night.

Bunker Bar: This year's Indian Summer has been great for our Bunker Crowd. Our Members love the improvements to the bunker and picnic area. A Big Canteen Thanks goes out to Rick Maliniak for installing the pavers in the grill area.



Some people might ask, "is Post 129 done yet? The answer is, "of course not." The largest and most progressive Post in New Jersey is planning on building a Pole Barn next Spring in the picnic area.

NFL Sundays: For the 2nd year in a row, Members continue to flock to the Canteen to watch their favorite NFL Team on our 6 HD TV's. Upon arrival, everyone receives a free raffle ticket. A prize is given away at the end of each quarter. That's eight (8) giveaways to our lucky members every Sunday.

Our weekly NFL Contest is also a Big Hit. You can win 2 Free Dinners, and 2 Free Drinks by picking the most NFL winning teams for the week. All entries must be in by noon on Sunday. It is free to enter, but only 1 entry per Member
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(Legionnaire, Sal or Auxiliary). Stop by during the week, and see Wendy or any of our other bartenders for an entry form and information.

In appreciation of our Post 129 Family, the Canteen offers two (2) free halftime buffets, along with \$1.50 domestic draft beers every Sunday during the NFL Season.

Speaking of Appreciation: The bartenders of the Post are hosting a "Bartenders Appreciation Day Chilli Cookout." It is being held on Sunday, November 3, from Noon to 3PM. Tickets are \$5.00 per person. Along with the chilli and hot dogs, there will be burgers and salads. All Domestic draft beer will be \$1.50. All proceeds are being donated to autism awareness.

Remember: When you support Post 129, you support the greatest post in the USA.

SOUNDOFF...

Published...

...6 times per year and mailed to 2300 members.

Deadline...

...for the next issue (January/February) is December 15. Submissions can be e-mailed to:

soundoff.al.post129@outlook.com or via U.S. mail to:

Al Harbord, 1038 Audubon Drive, Toms River, NJ 08753.

Events...

...send your events for the calendar to Bob Scheiderman at: **knottoday1@comcast.net**

Advertising...

...business card advertising accepted for 6 issues (1 year). Single card \$75.00.

Double card \$140.00.

Other sizes available upon request.

CANTEEN ENTERTAINMENT

Halloween Party-Costume Prizes

November 1 Crystal Boogie
November 2 Jersey Girls
November 8 True Tones
November 9 D-Cee
November 15 George Markey
November 16 Guiseppe
November 22 Crosstones
November 23 Kyle
November 29 T B A
November 30 T B A

Ryan's Catering...

CANTEEN MENU...

...has become so extensive it is not prudent for us to publish it here in the SOUNDOFF anymore. Besides the four page daily menu there are always specials available. Stop by for great food and friends at Post 129.

HALL RENTALS

Call Christina Smith, Banquet Manager, at 732-551-2819 for hall rental and catering information or email ryanscateringatpost129@gmail.com

Our banquet hall is a new state of the art facility and an ideal location for your next celebration. The room is spacious and includes a dance floor. It will accommodate parties 50 to 250 people. It is also wi-fi enabled for your next corporate event.

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Saturday (Daytime*)

Saturday (Evening)

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Sunday (Evening)

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AUXILIARY MESSAGE

Hello Everyone –

It's hard to believe it has already been two months since the last edition of the Soundoff. Since then, Unit 129 has been a busy one. On September 11th, many of our members attended a POW recognition ceremony at the post. This event was such an honor to attend and pay tribute to these men that were prisoners of war at Hanoi Hilton. Thank you so much, **Commander Godfrey**, for putting this together. Our members also attended the SAL POW/MIA Watchfire in Seaside, as well as the Run for the Fallen ceremony at our post and in Holmdel at the Vietnam Memorial Wall.

The unit has also been busy hosting fundraisers and planning upcoming events. We held a pancake breakfast in September and October. Our next one will be held on November 10th and will feature apple cinnamon pancakes as well as plain. The cost is \$6. Thank you to **Lynn Keating** for chairing these breakfasts. I would also like to extend a special round of applause to **Jackson Coles**, an SAL member that cooked all of the sausage for us.

Our annual fall flea market was a huge success. Thank you to **Paula Harpe** and **Carol Rutzler** for taking this on and agreeing to run the spring flea market as well.

On October 4th, **Sue Darrow** ran another successful Bunco for us. Sue is the Bunco queen! Once again her patience was unwaivered as many in attendance were first time Bunco players. I would also like to give a shout out to **Silverton Fire Company's Ladies Auxiliary** for loaning us the use of their tables.

Once again, I would like to

thank all of our volunteers that have come out to help at our events. We cannot do it without you. If you can help at all, please do - Any amount of time is greatly appreciated. We need to all work together to make our fundraisers the success that they can be. If you can't volunteer, please try to attend our upcoming events to show your support. Upcoming events include: Children's Halloween Party – Oct 27; Pancake Breakfast – Nov 10 and Dec 1; Veteran's Thanksgiving Dinner – Nov.24; Craft/Vendor Fair – Dec 8; and children's Christmas Party – Dec 15.

It is with a heavy heart that I must announce the passing of one of our members, Mary Ann Nugent. She was a wonderful woman, her smile and laugh will

not be forgotten. May you rest in peace. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Tara Goldstein
Auxiliary Unit 129 President

Auxiliary Membership

Renewal forms have been mailed by National in September. Please remit your dues by November 15, 2013 to be an "Early Bird", if you haven't done so already. Make checks payable to: A.L.A. Unit # 129 and return with renewal form. Your continued support does make a difference.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurinda Miller
Membership Chairperson



All you can eat

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, November 10th 8am–12pm

Adults \$6
Children ages 5–10 \$4
This month's feature flavor:
Apple



American Legion Auxiliary Unit 129
2025 Church Road
Toms River, NJ 08753

For any additional information, call Lynn at 732-255-5749

New Year's Eve Celebration



American Legion Post 129, 2025 Church Road, Toms River, NJ 08753

Tuesday December 31st 8 PM—1 AM

This Event Sells Out Early—\$75.00—But Your Tickets Now

Tickets will be available Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at the Post Between 6 & 8 PM
or by calling Maryellen DelNero at 732-859-1532. Please Dress Appropriately, no jeans.

Hors d'oeuvres



Pre-Set Jumbo Shrimp Cocktail

Fruit & Cheese Platter

Scallop Wrapped In Bacon

Mini Quiche

Crab Cakes

Beef Tenderloin Canapes



Buffet

Tossed Spinach Salad w/Feta, Diced Apples, Cranberries and Candied Walnuts

Parmesan Crusted Chicken w/Roasted Red Pepper, Aoili Sauce



Carved Prime Rib w/Au Jus & Horseradish Sauce

Broiled Flounder w/Lemon Garlic Butter

Linguini w/Fresh Tomato, Basil & Artichoke

Oven Roasted Red Potato

Chef Selected Fresh Vegetables



Dessert

Chocolate Fountain w/Accompaniments

Coffee & Tea



Entertainment

Six Piece Band - Cristal Boogie



1 AM "Jersey Shore" Breakfast (Pork Roll & Cheese Sandwich Wrapped and Ready To Go)

SAL SQUADRON MESSAGE

Greetings Squadron 129

I would like to start off with a **Thank You** to everyone who participated in any way with the DRIVE4URPOST test drive fundraising event held October 5th at Downs Ford.

With participation from all Legion Family members, it truly was a Legion Family Effort!

I'm happy to say we exceeded our goal of 300 test drives. It was a great day!

2014 Dues are Due!

Your 2014 Membership cards are in!

Please submit your dues now!

You can drop them off at the canteen or mail them to the post.

Dues are \$20.00 for members 21 and over and \$15.00 under 21. Please make payment to: SAL Squadron 129 Membership 2025 Church Road Toms River, NJ 08753 Attn.: Bob Joerg - Membership Chairmen

To keep your membership privileges active, please make sure you are up to date!

Keep your squadron #1 in the State of New Jersey with Membership! We don't want to fall behind! Pay your dues today!

Meetings:

All members are welcome and encouraged to attend your squadron meetings. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month from 7:30 to 8:30. Please attend your meetings and support your squadron and post.

Dates to remember

11/11/13 - Veterans Day

12/14/2013 - POW/ MIA Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony Post 129 TR NJ

2/15/2014 - SAL Valentines Dinner/ Dance Post 129 TR NJ

Don't forget and join our squadron email list.

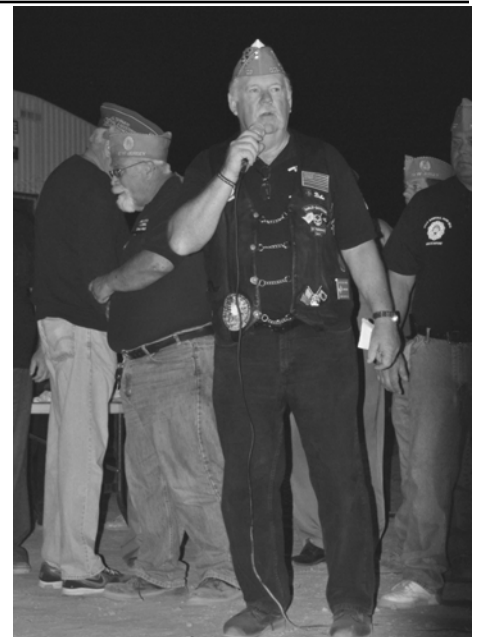
Send an email to squadron129@gmail.com and we will gladly add you!

Remember to thank a Veteran every day!

For God and Country

Dan Curran

SAL Squadron 129 Commander



SAL Ocean County Commander
Dave 'Duke' Haring
at WATHFIRE 2013 Ceremony



Auxiliary members working the DRIVE4URPOST at Downs Ford



*S.A.L. Squadron 129 And George P. Vanderveer
American Legion Post Invite All To Attend The*

3rd Annual
POW/MIA Christmas Tree
Lighting Ceremony

Saturday Dec. 14th, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

*Honoring and Remembering
Our Nations and New Jersey's
Prisoners of War / Missing in Action / From All Wars*



At
George P. Vanderveer American Legion Post 129
2025 Church Rd, Toms River, New Jersey
For Info Call Ron Cloos Sr. (732) 674-9554

Buffet Dinner to be served following the Ceremony

*(Due to limited space we wish to inform all Veterans Groups attending that the Post 129 Guard
will preside over the Ceremony)*

POST EVERLASTING



Carmen Fiore, US Army, Korean War
 Leon C. Downs, 81, USAF, Korean War
 Gene A. Drost, 67, US Marine Corp, Vietnam
 Waren Snell, 89, US Marine Corp, WWII
 Walter H. Osterwald, 84, US Navy, WWII
 Bob Scheiderman, Ritual Chairman

WANTED VETERAN LICENSED CONTRACTORS OF POST 129

There are several construction projects that are being planned for the spring season of 2014.

At our recent Executive Board meeting, it was suggested that the

Post maintain a list of Licensed Veteran Contractors who are available to bid on various projects. Naturally, we will continue to utilize our volunteers when available. During the bidding process, we will attempt to use members of our Post whenever possible, providing they meet the necessary criteria.

Please contact Past Commander/Trustee Rich Gato at 732-330-2430 or by E-Mail rmgthefuzz@aol.com with your information and License number.

COMING IN 2014

Wednesday at the CANTEEN will be Specialty Night
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Romantic Piano Night

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New Year's Eve Celebration



Six Piece Band 'Cristal Boogie'

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Having difficulty socializing?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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We hope you get around TUIT very soon!



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SOUNDOFF



'HAPPY BIRTHDAY 'UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS'

Continental Congress Met at 'Tun Tavern' Philadelphia and Formed Two Battalion of Marines.

November 10, 1775, 1st Commandant: Major Samuel Nichols, 1775-1783

POST 129 BLOOD DRIVE-- NOVEMBER 3RD -- 3:00PM—8:00PM

Veterans' Day Parade--Toms River--Steps Off From Highland Pkwy--09:30AM

Shuffleboard League: Tuesdays, 7:30PM, Players Welcome.

Hospitalized Veterans 'TURKEY DAY DINNER', Noon—4:00PM, Help Needed

Shuffle Board League—Every Tuesday—November and December

Birthstone		November 2013			Yellow Topaz	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
"There is no better friend... and no worse enemy than a United States Marine"	<div>NFL Sundays at the Canteen Every Sunday Two free buffets between quarters Free raffle ticket for prizes</div>				1 BLOOD DRIVE 3PM—8PM All Saints day	2 Sadie Hawkins Day
3 <u>Daylight Savings Time Ends</u> <u>Replace Fire/CO Alarm Batteries</u>	4 General Mtg. Legion Auxiliary Mtg. 7:00PM	5 	6 John Phillip Sousa 1854	7 	8	9
10 Pancake Breakfast 8AM-Noon	11 Veterans' Day 	12	13 SAL Meeting 7:00 PM	14 B I N G O	15	16
17 Full Beaver Moon	18 Board/Trustee Mtg. 7:00PM	19 Gettysburg Address 1863	20	21 !BINGO! !BINGO! !BINGO! !BINGO! ?OGNIB?	22 JFK Assassinated 1963	23
24 Veterans Thanksgiving Dinner Noon—4:00PM Help Needed	25 Riders Mtg. 7:00PM	26	27	28  !BINGO! CANCELLED	29	30 Samuel Clemens 1835



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*I Heard The Bells On Christmas Day Their Old Familiar Carols Play,
And Wild And Sweet
The Words Repeat
Of Peace On Earth Good Will To Men!*

Henry Wadsworth

“MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO OUR AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY”

Birthstone		December 2013					Blue Topaz	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
1 Pancake Breakfast 8AM--Noon	2 General Mtg. Legion Auxiliary Mtg. 7:00PM	3 <u>Shuffleboard</u> Tuesday's 7:30PM Players Welcome	4	5 	6	7 Pearl Harbor Attacked, 1941 “..a day that will live in infamy.”		
8 Legion Auxiliary Craft & Vender Fair 9am-3pm	9	10	11 SAL Mtg. 7:00PM	12 	13	14 POW-MIA Christmas Tree Lighting 7:00PM		
15 Beware The Pogonip	16 Board/Trustee Mtg. 7:00PM Battle of the Bulge 1944	17  Full Cold Moon	18	19  Poor Richard's Almanac 1732	20	21 First Day Of Winter		
22	23 Riders Mtg. 7:00PM	24	25  Christmas Day	26 Kwanza Begins No Bingo	27	28 Woodrow Wilson 1856		
29	30	31  NEW YEARS EVE	<div>CANTEEN Live Band Every Friday Karaoke Every Saturday</div>					



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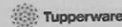
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