SERVICE FIRST

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mon., Mar. 3, 6:45 p.m.	Auxiliary Executive Board meeting	
7:30 p.m.	Post and Unit meetings	
Sat., Mar. 8, 7:30-	-	
10:00 a.m.	WAVP Breakfast, VFW hall	
Sun., Mar.9, 6:00 p.m.	Legion Birthday Potluck	
Thu., Mar. 27, 6:00 p.m.	Bremer County Auxiliary, Waverly	
Sun., Apr. 6	Third Dist. Aux. Jr. Conference,	
	Waverly	
Mon., Apr. 7, 6:45 p.m.	Auxiliary Executive Board meeting	
7:30 p.m.	Post and Unit meetings	
Sat., Apr. 12, 7:30-		
10:00 a.m.	WAVP Breakfast, VFW hall	
Thu., Apr. 17, 7:00 p.m.	Bremer County Legion, Sumner	
Sat., Apr. 26	Third Dist. Spring Conference,	
	Parkersburg	
Mon., May 5, 6:45 p.m.	Auxiliary Executive Board meeting	
7:30 p.m.	Post and Unit meetings	
Sat., May 10, 7:30-	2	
10:00 a.m.	WAVP Breakfast, VFW hall	
Mon., May 26	Memorial Day	

AMERICAN LEGION BIRTHDAY PARTY

Sunday, March 9, is the day for our celebration of the birthday of The American Legion. Social gathering begins at 5:00 p.m. with potluck dinner at 6:00 p.m. Bring one hot dish and one cold dish (only one of the two for one person), and bring your own table service. Birthday cake, ice cream and beverage will be provided.

Some special programming will be included this year. The 2013 Boys State delegates and their parents will be invited as our guests. Also some awards will be made.

THIRD DISTRICT AUXILIARY JUNIOR CONFERENCE

Sunday, April 6, the Third District Auxiliary Junior Conference will meet at the Waverly American Legion Post # 176, 208 Eighth Avenue Southwest, Waverly. Registration and lunch begin at 11:30 a.m. The Call to Order is at 1:00 p.m.

Lois Slaba from our Unit is the Third District Junior Chairman and in charge of the Conference.

BREMER COUNTY LEGION MEETING

The next meeting of the Bremer County Association of American Legion Posts is Thursday, April 17, 7:00 p.m., at the Thomas E. Woods Post 223 Legion Hall, 113 East First Street, Sumner. All members of this Post are encouraged to attend.

THIRD DISTRICT AMERICAN LEGION AND AUXILIARY SPRING CONFERENCE

The Third District Spring, 2014, Conference will be in Parkersburg, Saturday, April 26, 2014. The Parkersburg Harry Peters Post and Unit # 285 are hosts for the conference. The events begin with registration (\$2.00 per person) and

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coffee at 7:30 a.m. Legionnaires and the Auxiliary will meet in the Parkersburg Veterans Memorial Building, 205 Colfax Street, Parkersburg.

Noon Luncheon with a choice of chicken or Swiss steak will be served in the Parkersburg Veterans Memorial Building, 205 Colfax Street, Parkersburg. Reservations are payable in advance. The Luncheon tickets are \$9.00 each or \$10.00 each for late Luncheon tickets (after April 15). Make check payable to: Parkersburg Post #285, write *District Luncheon* and *Chicken* or *Swiss steak* on the memo line; and mail to: *Duane Anderson, PO Box 285, Parkersburg, IA 50665-0285.*

There will be a hospitality beginning at 5:30 p.m. Friday, April 25 in the Parkersburg Veterans Memorial Building, 205 Colfax Street, Parkersburg.

Lodging will be at AmericInn, 2101 Commerce Drive (Highway 14/175W), Grundy Center, Phone: 319-824-5272.

HAWKEYE BOYS STATE

We have made reservations for two to attend Hawkeye Boys State at Camp Dodge June 15-20. Our two delegates will be selected from candidates selected from High School Juniors in Waverly-Shell Rock High School who apply to our selection committee. Two will be selected and one or two alternates will be designated. We hope to accomplish this by our March meeting. Richard Miller is our Boys State Chairman. For more information contact him at 352-9085 or chiefao51@aol.com

CHILI AND OYSTER SUPPER

Our annual event has either been suspended for one year or may have arrived at the end of an era. We are grateful for the work of all the dedicated volunteers and the patronage of all of the community members to support our great programs for many years. *Marvin Behrens, editor*

POST MEMBERSHIP

The goal for our post for 2014 is 127. On February 21 our membership was 118, 92.91% of goal. Dues are \$35.00 per year. Please pay yours as soon as possible. Anyone whose dues are not paid on or after February 1 for 2014 is no longer a member in good standing.

LEGION HALL RENTAL

Anyone wanting to rent the Legion Hall should contact Hubert Barber at 352-3112 (until April 1) or Martin Heering at 352-4509. Check with one of them for rates, availability, and terms of use.

WAVERLY AREA VETERANS TRIBUTE BRICK ORDERS

The annual order for individual pavers will be sent in on March 15, 2014. We must have the orders by that date in order to receive them and have them in place by Memorial Day. Any veteran who has ties to the greater Waverly area is eligible to purchase a paver or have a paver placed in his or her honor or memory. If you have any questions, contact Carl Benning at 352-3012 or any of the veterans service organization commanders. Thanks for your support!

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AUXILIARY UNIT # 176 NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Auxiliary Members and Friends,

We have a busy 3 months ahead. Last month we voted to cancel the Chili and Oyster Supper. The cost of meat and not enough workers available for the money we make were among the reasons for the change. Anyone wishing to make a cash donation in place of working and/or donating food may do so. Donations to raise money will be welcomed.

The Legion Hall has been rented to a church group on Sundays and some Wednesday evenings during the month of February and the first Sunday in March. That is a blessing!

Regular meeting is March 3, Executive Board is at 6:45 p.m. and meeting at 7:30 p.m. I hope we have better weather and better attendance.

Legion Birthday Party Potluck is March 9 at 6:00 p.m.

Bremer County Auxiliary meeting is a supper at 6:00 p.m., March 27.

Auxiliary Junior Conference is April 6 in Waverly. Registration and lunch begin at 11:30 a.m. and call to order is at 1:00 p.m.

April 7 regular Auxiliary & Legion meetings will be held.

Third District Spring Conference will be April 26 at Parkersburg.

Legion is also responsible for the Memorial Day Parade and lunch this year. We have a lot to look forward to in 2014.

Take care and God bless.

Vera Hoins, Unit President

MEMBERSHIP

Membership goal for our unit is 109. On February 21 our membership was 87, 79.82% of goal. Please pay your dues as soon as possible.

BREMER COUNTY AUXILIARY MEETING

Bremer County Auxiliary meeting begins with a dinner at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, March 27 at the Waverly Legion Hall.

THANK YOU

Hubert and Maxine Barber for many years of maintaining our building in tip-top condition.

Harry and Kathy Janssen for many years of printing our newsletter and preparing it for mailing, and also for the copying machine which is still in use for this newsletter.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

Our Post # 176 will be in charge of the Memorial Day parade and services in Waverly this year. That means setting up the program, equipment, etc.; getting a speaker; organizing the parade, firing squad and contacting many people. Ready?

ORATORICAL CONTESTS

Jack Potter, son of John and Leslie Potter of Waverly and a tenth grader in Waverly-Shell Rock High School in Waverly won first place in the Post 176 Oratorical Contest Monday, December 2.

Jack also won first place in the District contest January 12, 2014, in Gilbertville; and first place in the Area II contest at Tama Hall, Hawkeye Community College February 2, 2014.

Jack completed his year of competition by placing second in the Department (state) contest February 16 in Des Moines. It earned him a postsecondary scholarship worth \$1,500. He said that he will compete again next year. Congratulations, Jack!

WAVERLY AREA VETERANS POST REPORT

Check <u>www.waverlyvets.us</u> or local newspaper for latest information on fundraising and building planning.

DEPARTMENT SYMBOLS, SLOGANS AND

PROJECTS

The Auxiliary symbol is a Baseball.

The Legion slogan for the year is "Serving Our Communities" The Auxiliary theme is "Pitch In."

Department Commander James Demarest's projects are (1) The American Legion of Iowa Foundation, and (2) the National Emergency Fund.

Department Auxiliary President Ann Crawford's projects are (1) Say "Thank You!" to a Veteran every day, (2) Make A Difference Day—October 26, 2013, (3) Continue Quilts of Valor Project, (4) Make Activity Bags for VA Medical Centers, (5) Purchase Craft Kits for therapy at the VA Medical Centers, and (6) Contribute to the Auxiliary Emergency Fund.

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