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POST 245 NEWSLETTER

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MARCH, APRIL & MAY 2020

2020 Corporation Meeting – March 12, 2020

FROM THE COMMANDER,

Hoping everyone had a great holiday season. Now that the nice weather will be returning a lot will be going on at the Post. If you haven't heard the Post is sponsoring a Boy Scout Troop. They are excited to be part of Post 245 and have a place to call home. They meet on Mondays in the big room from 7 to 8:30. Several scouts are close to becoming Eagle Scouts with one that will have a Court of Honor sometime this year. They are already making plans to start cleaning up the wooded area behind the club. Being a New Troop they are in need of almost everything for camping. So I'm asking all our members if you are going to have a yard sale and have camping stuff for sale, give the Boy Scouts a chance to buy. Also if you would like to help, have ideas, or just stop by please come to a meeting. They will also be having fund raising events too. Please give them your support. The troop has already helped at the Veterans Day Dinner. Welcome to Nittany Post 245

The Post had a good year despite not making our membership goal. We donated almost 10 thousand back to the community. Thank You for your help. Speaking of membership it is drive time and we are close to our goal. We have received several new members from the Boy Scout's parents. Thank You!!

Memorial Day will be on us soon, we will be needing members for flag and rifle squads.

Support your Post by coming to meetings or volunteering to help at an event.

Have a great spring !!!! See you at the Post.

Commander, Rich Seifert



Club Hours:

11am - 11pm, Daily

Kitchen Hours:

Grill: 11am - 8pm daily

Fryers: 11am - 10pm daily

Happy Hour: Monday 7-9pm

**EVENING SPECIALS
NIGHTLY!**

FRIDAY

Wings, \$8.25/dozen or
\$4.50/ ½ dozen, 5-10pm

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2020 Membership Renewals

Post 245 membership renewals are lagging behind 2019 as of January 30, 2020. Please send in your renewals as soon as you receive them. If you have not received your renewal, you can renew by simply giving the bar tenders a check or cash and your name. I will process your renewal and send out your 2020 membership card.

Thank you for your assistance – Larry Hess - Adjutant

NEWS FROM THE SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE...



2020 looks like it will be a very good year for Post 245. We start off March with jeopardy on March 6th at 8, the club brunch on March 8th from 10 to 1, **Post 245 Corporation meeting on March 12th at 7**, Auxiliary home show bingo on March 15th from 1 to 4, Auxiliary Easter egg hunt on March 28th starting at 11.

That should be enough to wet your curiosity, right? So, come on out and take part in the activities at your club.

Larry Hess and Bob McCool
Co-Chairmans



NEWS FROM THE LADIES AUXILIARY...

Sure has been a decent winter but I know we are all looking forward to the upcoming spring weather. Let's hope that groundhog got it right!!!

We would like to extend a huge welcome to our newest members: Linda Odland, Lynne Corl, Connie Immel, Beatrice Decker, Shannon Fisher, Sherry Kincel, Stacy Snyder, Dianne Paghetti, Mary Woods, Virginia Simparosa, Alesandra Monismith, Lisa Green, Helen Grissinger, Bonnie Spotts, Angela Morris, Kathleen Renaud, Karen Dreibelbis, and Stephanie Dreibelbis. We also had one transfer - Stefanie Heverly. We are so happy that you have joined and hope to see you at a future meeting or event. The Auxiliary monthly meeting is held on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Our next meeting will be held **March 24th at 7:00 p.m.**

Home Show Bingo will be held Sunday, March 15th, 2020. The doors open at 1:00 p.m., with bingo starting at 2:00 p.m. The cost is \$6, which includes your bingo card and light refreshments. In addition, the kitchen will be open for any additional food items you would like to order. Check out the extensive menu of delicious choices with extremely reasonable pricing!! We will play at least 16 games of bingo, with the winner of each game receiving a prize valued at \$20 or more. There will also be door prizes, and we will hold a 50/50 drawing. There will be many vendors on site that will have cash and carry items available for purchase. Please come out and support these vendors that provide the bingo and door prizes and make this event possible.

The children's Easter egg hunt will be held on Saturday, March 28th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event is open for children under 10 years old. The Easter bunny will be so happy to see all the little ones who come out for this event!!

On Sunday, May 3rd, 2020, there will be a cash bingo. The cost is \$20 in advance (you can get tickets at the club) or \$25 at the door. Doors will open at 11:30 a.m. with bingo starting at 1:00 p.m. Twenty games will be played and cash prizes range from \$25 to \$100 per game, with the grand prize for the final game being \$250!!! The kitchen will be open for anyone wanting to order food.

We hope to see some new faces at our next meeting and look forward to seeing everyone at a club event

Donita Gibboney, Auxiliary 2nd Vice-President

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER...

At the time of this writing, we are coming up on Valentine's Day. A time where gifts of love are given. However, it is just the beginning of a spring season filled with holy times in the giving of gifts of love. We see this in the holy times of Easter, Passover, Ramadan, and many others.

It got me thinking about all the gifts that our Creator gives to us, but are never unwrapped. Such gifts can be found within our scriptures. How many times have we just heard the cleric repeat the words of scripture, or have we read the same words over and over again. Many times our faith demands that we do as scriptures tells us.

Think of it this way. If you have ever taken an aptitude test, you may remember that you were given a choice between answers to a question. One answer was wrong, one was right, but not the best answer, and one is the absolute best answer. If you select an answer to life's questions as "because God told us so", you are giving a right answer, but it is not the best answer. It is through the unwrapping of God's scripture through study, examination, and application to our lives can we really discover the gift of love and reason that God is giving to us. In short, to get us the best answer.

Not only do we find God's gifts of love through the study of scripture, but also in the tools that our Creator gives us through science and technology. These tools are not in contest of God, but rather in a beautiful concert with God. Therefore, it accentuates the discovery of mysteries of beauty and love that are revealed to us through the creation.

It is the discovery of these gifts that also help us to find solutions to such problems as unemployment, loss of family and friends, homelessness, addictions, and other tribulations in our daily lives. There are not many greater gifts of love than those gifts that are received when we need them. The only greater gift is the gift that is given from those who can give to those that are in need.

So go forth and meet the expectations of life that God has given to us. Study scripture often, reflect on the readings, attend your places of worship, and pray daily if for nothing else to continue to keep your life faith centric. In these ways you will continue to receive gifts of God's love, and you will always discover the absolute best answer to select.

Thank you, and as always, God bless our country, our Legion, and Post 245.

Ron Quinn Jr., Post Chaplain



HVH BINGO NEWS!

On October 19th Nittany Post 245 sponsored a Bingo party for our veterans at the Hollidaysburg VA Home. A great time was had by all. Volunteers were Bill Long and two of our SAL members John Kite and Rick Dills.

Our VA BINGO schedule for the spring is as follows:

March 10, 2020 • April 14, 2020 • May 12, 2020 **

(this date May 12th is very critical for needing volunteers, 2 of our regular volunteers will not be available!)**

All times are @2:00 PM with the location being MacArthur Hall, Hollidaysburg, PA.

Please mark your calendars and a helping hand!

We are still looking for more volunteers to add to our list for future Bingos!

Contact Bill Long @692-8535 or text 814-441-6635.



NEWS FROM THE SAL...

Well spring is right around the corner. That is if Punxsutawney Phil is right. let's hope he is. Though the winner was pretty mild, I'm looking forward to spring. Here at Post 245 we did have some good times over the winter with Trivia nights, Football game nights & our SAL Cash party. Some of the SAL members went up to the Veterans home for Bingo night. The Veterans in the home are very appreciative for this. Here's hoping all have a healthy and happy Spring.

George Fye, S.A.L. Commander

For the 2020 / 2021 Fiscal Year for the SAL, effective July 1st, 2020, the SAL dues will be increased to \$ 25.00 per year. The dues for our minor members (under 21) they will remain at \$ 5.00.

This increase comes from the State Headquarters.

Pine Hall Cemetery

5/16..... 7am Flags Raised (Full Staff)
..... 7pm Flags Lowered

5/25..... 7am Flags Raised (Half Staff)
..... 12 Noon Flags Raised (Full Staff)
..... 7pm Flags Lowered

6/14..... 7am Flags Raised (Full Staff)
..... 7pm Flags Lowered

~ In Memoriam ~

HERBERT C. GRAVES III • WILLIAM E. FOSTER

DO NOT DISCARD YOUR WHITE DOOR CARD.

The white door card is to be used from year to year. The door card is the property of Post 245 and must be returned if you cease membership in Post 245. If you lose your door card, it will cost you \$10 to replace it. Your American Legion, Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, Social and House membership cards are to be on your person when visiting the club.

NOTICE: There have been several burial plots donated to our post in the past several years. We hold the deeds to these and they are at the Memorial Park Cemetery. Our intention is to provide these to Veterans who do not have the expenses to afford a final resting place. If you know of a veteran or member for that matter who is need, please contact our post manager with a name and phone number.

FROM THE EDITOR... The deadline for the June, July, August 2020 edition is **Friday, May 15th, 2020**

Comments and suggestions are welcome and can be emailed to mayesb76@icloud.com

If you **DO NOT** want your newsletter mailed, please fill in the form below and send it in.

If you know of a member without computer access, please pass this information along to them. Becky Mayes, Editor

NO! I do not want the newsletter (4 issues per year) mailed to me.

Member Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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Attn: Newsletter Editor Or Email: Becky Mayes w/complete info at mayesb76@icloud.com

POST OFFICERS

Meets 3rd Thursday, 7 p.m.
Commander Rich Seifert
1st Vice Brian Green
2nd Vice John Hammond
Adjutant Larry Hess
Treasurer Chris Solo
Sgt.-At-Arms - Vacant
Chaplain Ron Quinn
Service Officer – Bill Long
Judge Advocate – Justin Bish

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

Meets 4th Tuesday, 7 p.m.
President Rhonda Spear
1st Vice Penny Dry
2nd Vice Donita Gibboney
Secretary Kathy Croyle
Treasurer Tina Johns
Sgt.-At-Arms Karen Jackson
Chaplain Jean Folk
Historian - Tina Hoy
Sp. Events Coord. – Brandi Hartman

SAL OFFICERS

Meets 3rd Thursday, 6 p.m.
Commander George E.Fye
1st Vice Galen Mellott
2nd Vice Mike Wirtz
Adj./Treas. Jigs Poorman
Sgt. At Arms Guy Williams
Chaplain Mike Boonie
Historian Rick Dills

POST 245, INC. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS - Meets 2nd Wednesday @ 6 p.m.

Class of 2020

Dan Verdoorn - President
Kim Selmer-Larsen
Lewis Watt - Treasurer

Class of 2021

Larry Hess
Chris Solo - Vice President
Vacant

Class of 2022

Barry Dickman
Rich Seifert - Secretary
Don Hartzell

Ex-Officio: Aux. President, Rhonda Spear; Social, vacant; SAL Cmdr., George Fye;
ALR-President, Scott Spear; Club Manager, Crystal Myers

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS 245 – Meets 1st Thursday @ 7 p.m.

President: Scott Spear
Treasurer: Jeff Gonet

Vice-President: Randy Weaver
Chaplain: Brian McMahon

Secretary: Rhonda Spear
Road Captain: Samantha Hartman
Randy Weaver

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP LISTS

BUDGET & FINANCE

Meets as required
Vacant

BUILDING & GROUNDS

Meets as required
Barry Dickman (Co-Chair)
Don Hartzell (Co-Chair)
Bud Yohe
Gerry Thompson

DONATIONS

Meets Monday before BoD @ 7 p.m.
Larry Hess (Chair)
Bob McCool (Co-Chair)
Karen Jackson, Rich Seifert,
Bud Yohe, Crystal Myers, Tina Johns,
Tom Palchak, Rick Rickley

MEMBERSHIP

Meets as Required
Larry Hess (Chairperson)
Rich Seifert

HOUSE RULES & BY-LAWS

Meets as Required
Dan Verdoorn (Chairperson)

HOUSE

Meets 1st Thursday @ 6 p.m.
Dan Verdoorn (Co-Chair)
Larry Hess (Co-Chair)
Bud Yohe, Rich Seifert,
Crystal Myers, Rhonda Spear,
George Fye, Chris Solo

LCB RULES & REGS

Meets as Required
Dan Verdoorn (Chairperson)

NEWSLETTER

Meets as Required
Larry Hess (Chairperson)
Becky Mayes (Editor)
Karen Jackson

SPECIAL EVENTS

Meets Monday before BoD @ 6 p.m.
Larry Hess (Co-Chair)
Bob McCool (Co-Chair)
Crystal Myers, Karen Jackson,
Bud Yohe, Tina Johns,
Tom Palchak, Rick Rickley



Are YOU interested in volunteering?

Please do the following:

1. Go to <http://www.post245.com>
2. Click on the [Volunteer Form link](#)
3. Print it out and fill it in and drop off completed form at club

American Legion Post 245 Upcoming Events

M A R C H	3/2	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	3/6	8pm	Jeopardy / Trivia Game Show
	3/7	5pm	Men's Dart Banquet / Happy Hour's 5pm / Dinner 6pm
	3/8	10am-1pm	Sunday Morning Club Breakfast Brunch
	3/9	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	3/12	7pm	Post 245 Corporation Meeting
	3/15	1pm	Ladies Auxiliary Home Show Bingo / Doors Open @ 1pm
			..... / Bingo starts @ 2pm
	3/16	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	3/23	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
A P R I L	3/26	4pm-8pm	Paint and Sip / A Private Party
	3/28	11am	Ladies AUX Children's Easter Egg Hunt
	3/30	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	4/3	11am-8pm	Big Room Booked all day for 40 / 8 meetings
	4/3	8pm	Jeopardy / Trivia Game Show
	4/4	11am	40 / 8 Function ..
	4/5	10am	Corn Hole Tournament / See Katy at the Bar
	4/6	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	4/13	1230pm-5pm ..	Red Cross Blood Drive
	4/13	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
M A Y	4/17	5pm	Penn State ROTC Banquet
	4/18	430pm	NEW / SAL / Club Night at the Races / 150 Tickets Only
			..... / Race @ 7pm
	4/20	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	4/24	5pm-7pm	SAL Members Only Social
	4/25	9am	Outside Spring Clean Up Day
	4/25	2pm-6pm	Elk's Club Cash Party / 150 Tickets
	4/25	8pm-11pm	WOWY Sock Hop / Doors Open 6pm
			..... / Open to the Public / Cost ? **
	4/27	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
J U N E	5/1	8pm	Jeopardy / Trivia Game Show
	5/3	1130am	Ladies AUX Cash Bingo / Doors Open @ 1130am
			..... / Bingo starts @ 1pm
	5/4	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	5/10	10am-1pm	Sunday Morning Club Breakfast BrunchN
	5/11	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	5/16	.....	SAL Pig Roast / Cash Party / Ticket Holders Only
			..... / Club Closes @ 10 PM **
	5/18	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	5/24	2pm	Memorial Day Service / Shiloh Church
J U N E	5/24	3pm	Memorial Day Service / Pine Hall Cemetery
	5/24	4pm	Memorial Day Luncheon
	5/25	.....	Memorial Day / Club Open / Kitchen Closed
	5/25	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	6/1	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	6/6	8pm	Jeopardy / Trivia Game Show
	6/8	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	6/14	6pm	Flag Day Ceremony / Boalsburg Military Museum
	6/15	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
J U N E	6/20	.....	Formal Dinner... PA 40 / 8 Meeting
	6/21	.....	Father's Day
	6/21	10am-1pm	SAL / Father's Day Brunch
	6/22	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting
	6/29	7pm-830pm	** Post 245 Boy Scout Meeting

** NON SMOKING EVENTS

Organization Meetings: (Post: 3/19; 4/16; 5/21) (Auxiliary: 3/24; 4/28; 5/26)
(SAL: 3/19; 4/16; 5/21) (Riders: 3/5; 4/2; 5/7)