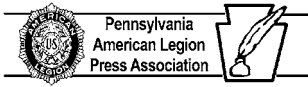


The Legion in the Woods



POST 245 NEWSLETTER

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MARCH, APRIL & MAY 2019

Centennial Celebration for Post 245

Once Upon A Time, on August 27th, 1919 Nittany Post 245 received their post 245 charter from national.

Then on October 19th, 1919, Post 245 was formally organized when some 20 veterans met in the Nittany Inn Parlors, now The Hotel State College.

After changing meeting sites several times, the little shack in the woods was established on October 1st, 1963 as the new post home. Then on October 21st, 1990 our current post home was constructed and opened for business.

We are excited to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of our recognized charter on August 10th, 2019



SAVE THE DATE!

We will be gathering ideas for the celebration and need YOUR help to plan and participate in this once-in-a-lifetime event. You are welcome to come to a planning meeting or share your ideas with members of the Post, SAL, Auxiliary or Riders or with Cystal or Bill. Our meetings will be held every other Monday beginning March 11th, 2019 at 6PM (except for Memorial Day). We look forward to working with you to make this a very special event and then to celebrate with you on August 10th!

Please utilize the newsletter for all meeting dates.

100th Anniversary Committee



Club Hours:

11 am - 11 pm, Daily

Kitchen Hours:

Grill: 11 am-9 pm daily

Fryers: 11 am - 10 pm daily

Happy Hour: Monday 7-9pm

EVENING SPECIALS NIGHTLY!

FRIDAY

Wings, \$7.50/dozen or
\$4.25/ ½ dozen, 5-10pm

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FROM THE COMMANDER,

Hi everyone hope you had a wonderful holiday. It was good to see family and friends at all the parties that took place. The Children's Christmas party, the Club Christmas party, and the New Years Eve party were all a success and brought smiles to all of us. With spring coming I'm looking forward to upcoming events. I hear they are planning some NEW and exciting events. So watch the TV at the bar and read your newsletter for more details.

The Post donated back to the community and youth services this year a total of \$6450.00. From Little League to National Wild Turkey Federation. It's good to see the youth learn how to play as a team and planting seedlings, making themselves strong and confident.

Don't forget it's Our 100th Birthday. We are meeting (watch the TV for dates and time) and gathering information to have a GREAT celebration. Anyone with pictures, articles and stories that they would like to share please contact the committee. It's going to be a fun time.

Corporation Meeting March 14 . We need 15 Class A members to have a meeting. Come out and support Your Club. Voting on three positions.

Things start to get busy in May. We will be needing volunteers for a lot of different events. Flag and Rifle squads. American Legion Baseball will be starting too. They play out at Shaner Field, it's good exciting baseball. The Post will be accepting nominations for Officers, with voting in Jun.

That's all from me for now. Have a good Spring, see you at the Post Home.

Support Your Post
Commander, Rich Seifert

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER...

I know many times in this period, I speak about spring and the rebirth of life. However, for such a birth of life to come about, there needs to be preparation. Preparation in digging up plants and tearing up half-destroyed foundations to replant and rebuild.

The same should be done in our spiritual lives. During this time Christians observe a time of Lent. Jews will observe a time of atonement. These practices include a time of sacrifice and forgiveness. For many of us forgiveness is a big sacrifice.

We are not just looking to forgiveness for ourselves, as that isn't hard enough, but the bigger sacrifice is in the forgiveness of others. It is in forgiveness that we get rid of the dilapidated past, to get ready to start our relationships anew. Relations with ourselves, our brethren, and our relationship with the Almighty. In all aspects, forgiveness is an act of love, and love brings about life.

There are no truer words spoken than that we are all sinners, and in need of forgiveness. Isn't it great to know that our God is a loving and forgiving God? Enjoy your spring, the new life that comes, and God's love.

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



Ron Quinn Jr., Post Chaplain

2019 Permanent door cards are now available.

Bar staff can get your card **if they are not busy with bar activities**

This is the last door card that you will receive.

If you lose your card, there is a \$10 replacement charge. These cards must be returned if you cease membership in the club or you will receive a \$10 charge.

NEWS FROM THE SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE...

Well, here we are with two months of the year gone. We hope that all had a good time at our second Comedy Club that we held on February 16th. We also hope all enjoyed Whey Jennings when he performed on March 1st. We will continue to have Jeopardy once a month in the coming months. We also have it scheduled for the summer months. Please look at your newsletter for the dates.

WOWY will return for our Sock Hop on April 19th from 8 to 11 PM. Make plans now to attend and get your dancing shoes out.

We have formed a committee for our 100th Anniversary Celebration on August 10th. This will take the place of our club picnic. Our meetings are every two weeks on Monday night starting on March 11th at 6PM in the big room except for Memorial Day. If you want to help us plan for this event, please come and join us, we need help and ideas. Please look at the newsletter for dates.

Thanks,

Larry Hess – Chairmen

Bob McCool – Co-Chairmen



BINGO NEWS!

We began our new Bingo schedule at the Hollidaysburg VA Home on February 19th @ 2:00 PM. All of the following dates will be at the same time and location. March 19, April 16, May 21, September 17, October 15, November 19 and in December we will donate \$100.00 to the VA Home Veterans Christmas Party.

Post 245 sponsored a bingo at MacArthur Hall on November 20th. Volunteers were Bill Long, Bill Klucher, Dean Dreibelbis and Rick Dills from the SAL. No Bingo in December, we donate \$100 to the VA for the veterans Christmas party.

Additional Bingo volunteers are needed!
Anyone wishing to volunteer please
contact Bill Long @692-8535.



NEWS FROM THE SAL...

The SAL and American Legion Post 245 as a whole had a positive 2018. 2019 began with a great Cash Party hosted by the Auxiliary and Sons. Proceeds from the event are funding the replacement of the old tables in the pool room and by the folding door to the Dining Hall. At the writing of this update, the final planning is being completed for the NASCAR party.

WE NEED HELP FROM OUR YOUNGER MEMBERS. While we are thankful for your support of our activities by buying tickets to it. The only way we get better is for you to be part of running the event. We are looking for you to be part of the SAL by serving as an officer.

Past SAL Commanders

~ In Memoriam ~

MAX F. CONFER, CUBBY BAIR, HAROLD CRECRAFT, CHARLES H. SODER,
JAMES R. DUNGAN AND WALTER L. PATTON



NEWS FROM THE LADIES AUXILIARY...

What a long winter it has been. We hope you are staying healthy and warm. I'm sure we will all welcome spring when it finally arrives.

We would like to extend a huge welcome to our newest members: Patricia Golembeski, Christine McKinney, Donna Parker, Christie Watson, Mary Miraldi, Crystal Campbell, Mary Ann Baird, Margaret Myers, Christine Woytowich (transfer), and Mary Lou Carothers. We are so happy that you have joined and hope to see you at a future meeting or event. Please remember that the Auxiliary holds a monthly meeting the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Why not join us and learn about what we do for the club and members of the community. PLEASE NOTE THE NEW MEETING DATE – WE HAVE MOVED FROM THE SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH TO HOLDING OUR MEETINGS THE FOURTH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH. Our next meeting will be held March 26th at 7:00 pm.

The next Home Show Bingo will be held Sunday, March 17th, 2019. 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, April 13th, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Easter bunny will be so happy to see all the little ones who come out for this event!!

There are many Auxiliary members that have yet to renew their memberships for 2019. Don't let your membership lapse – send a check for \$20 to the American Legion Post 245, 1950 Pine Hall Road, State College, PA 16801 - attention Penny Dry. We have many awesome events coming up in the next couple months that you don't want to miss!!!

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

FROM THE EDITOR... The deadline for the June, July, August 2019 edition is **Friday, May 17th, 2019**

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 Gerry Thompson
Chaplain Ron Quinn
Service Officer – Bill Long
Judge Advocate – Justin Bish
Historian - Vacant

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
Post Liaison – Vacant

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 Liaison – Vacant

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

Class of 2019

Barry Dickman
Rich Seifert - Secretary
Don Hartzell

Class of 2020

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

Class of 2021

Larry Hess
Gerry Thompson
Chris Solo - Vice President

Ex-Officio: Aux. President, Rhonda Spear; Social, vacant; SAL Cmdr., George Fye;
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

HOUSE RULES & BY-LAWS

Meets as Required
Dan Verdoorn (Chairperson)

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. Luke Arble

BUILDING & GROUNDS

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

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, Jigs Poorman
Chris Solo

LCB RULES & REGS

Meets as Required
Dan Verdoorn (Chairperson)

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

MEMBERSHIP

Meets as Required
Larry Hess (Chairperson)
Rich Seifert

NEWSLETTER

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



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	3/1	9:30pm-12 MID	Whey Jennings Band / Not Open to the Public \$2.00 Cover / 2 Colored Wristbands / Check for 21 / Sign In Guests / Check for Membership
	3/2	9am.....	Men's Dart Tournament
	3/10	10am.....	Sunday Morning Club Breakfast Brunch
	3/11	6pm.....	100th Anniversary Meeting
	3/14	7pm.....	Post 245 Corporation Meeting
	3/16	5pm.....	Men's Dart Banquet
	3/17	.....	St. Patrick's Day
	3/17	1pm-4pm.....	Ladies Auxiliary Home Show Bingo
	3/25	6pm.....	100th Anniversary Meeting
	A P R I L	4/5	8pm.....	Jeopardy / Trivia Game Show
4/8		6pm.....	100th Anniversary Meeting
4/12		5pm ?.....	Penn State ROTC Dinner
4/13		11am-1pm.....	Ladies Auxiliary / Children's Easter Egg Hunt
4/13		.....	Penn State / Blue White Game
4/14		10am.....	Sunday Morning Club Breakfast Brunch
4/19		8pm-11pm.....	WOWY Sock Hop / Doors Open 6pm / Open to the Public **
4/20		10am.....	Post 245 / Spring Clean Up Day
4/21		.....	Easter
4/22		12:30pm-5:30pm...	Red Cross Blood Drive
4/22		6pm.....	100th Anniversary Meeting
4/24		6pm.....	Lynda Shuey / Party
4/26		5pm.....	SAL Social
4/27		10am.....	Post 245 / Spring Clean Up Day / Raindate
4/27		ALL DAY	Patio booked all day / Benefit Ride
M A Y	5/3	8pm.....	Jeopardy / Trivia Game Show
	5/4	4pm-8:30pm	SAL Pig Roast / Cash Party / Ticket Holders Only /Club Closes @ 10 PM **
	5/12	.....	Mother's Day
	5/12	10am.....	Sunday Morning Club Breakfast Brunch
	5/13	.....	100th Anniversary Meeting
	5/18	.....	Armed Forces Day
	5/18	7am.....	Flags Raised (Full Staff) Pine Hall Cemetery
	5/18	7pm.....	Flags Lowered Pine Hall Cemetery
	5/19	12pm.....	Armed Forces Day / 28th Division Shrine Boalsburg Military Museum
	5/26	2pm.....	Memorial Day Service / Shiloh Cemetery
	5/26	3pm.....	Memorial Day Service / Pine Hall Cemetery
	5/26	4pm.....	Memorial Day / Luncheon
	5/27	.....	Memorial Day
	5/27	7am.....	Flags Raised (Half Staff) Pine Hall Cemetery
	5/27	12 Noon	Flags Raised (Full Staff) Pine Hall Cemetery
5/27	7pm.....	Flags Lowered Pine Hall Cemetery	
American Legion Riders / Bike Nights resume in June of 2019 / Dates to be Determined Please check back on Facebook and the Post Website for updates.			
J U N E	6/2	5pm.....	Past Commanders Dinner / Cocktails 5pm / Dinner 6pm
	6/3	6pm.....	100th Anniversary Meeting
	6/7	.....	Special Olympics / Penn State / SAL
	6/8	8pm.....	Jeopardy / Trivia Game Show
	6/14	6pm.....	Flag Day Ceremony / Boalsburg Military Museum
	6/14	7am.....	Flags Raised (Full Staff) Pine Hall Cemetery
	6/14	7pm.....	Flags Lowered Pine Hall Cemetery
	6/16	.....	Father's Day
	6/16	10am-1pm.....	Father's Day SAL Brunch
	6/17	6pm.....	100th Anniversary Meeting
** NON SMOKING EVENTS			

Organization Meetings: (Post: 3/21, 4/18, 5/16) (Auxiliary: 3/26, 4/23, 5/28)
(SAL: 3/21, 4/18, 5/16) (Riders: 3/7, 4/4, 5/2)