## Mount Horeb American Legion Frank E. Malone, Post 113 Newsletter, Summer 2016

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#### Commander's Corner

This has been a very busy summer already. In the next several articles I'll lay out some of the events we've been involved in over the last couple months. If I've left anything or anyone off please forgive me.

#### What have we have been up to:

Mount Horeb Summer Frolic activities included the Gun Raffle, Ride Ticket Sales, Beer Tickets Sales, the Parade and the Color Guard for the start of the Timber Sports on Sunday.



#### **Upcoming Events**

July 4

Flag Holiday Program

4th of July Chicken Cookout Mount Vernon

July 9

**Military Funeral Honors** 

July 15

Member Meeting – Legion Hall

July 14 - 17

**Department Convention** 

July 22 - 23

**Relay for Life** 

July 23

Brats in the Lot

August 11

Annual Picnic and Flag Retirement Ceremony

August 11 - 14

**Operation Badger Base** 

#### Flag Holiday Program

Memorial Day, Flag Day, the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and Labor Day

Teams have been installing and uninstalling flags all over town on the designated holidays. Taking their que from Previous Commander Craig Mortvedt who suggested "we paint the town Red White and Blue." What a beautiful site to see. We are at capacity this year with 250 flag subscriptions sold. Let's see how many we can get next year.





#### **Installation of Officers**



Pictured are the officers taking new roles in the Legion.

From left to right in the picture are Jerry Hook, Joe Packard, Paul Hodgson, Jim Wendt, Mike Turner, and John Berryman.

Officers of the Post are Commander Jerry Hook,
Adjutant Joe Packard, Vice Commander Scott Klassy, 2nd
Vice Commander Jim Wendt, Finance Officer Fred Doebler,
Chaplain Paul Hodgson, Historian Eddie Goplin, Service
Officer John Berryman, Judge Advocate Geoff Shields, 1st
SGT at Arms Ralph Buechner, 2nd SGT at Arms Mike
Turner, along with additional members of the Executive
Committee Craig Mortvedt and Wayne Sutter.

## **Memorial Day**

The Memorial Day Ceremony at the High School has gotten so big that they have to hold it in the gym instead of the Auditorium. What a great community we live in.

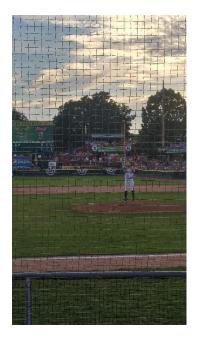
I didn't take any photos at the Ceremony at Ingleside, Jim did a great job again this year. All the residents appreciate it especially the Veterans.





# Madison Mallards Military Appreciation Night

We filled a bus with Legion Members, family and friends 18 June and watched a great game. We even had the opportunity to participate in the opening ceremony – Commander Jerry Hook threw out the "first pitch" and all the Veterans got a chance to go out on the field during the National Anthem.



## **Apartment Remodel**

Several Legion Members led by Paul have been busy tearing everything out of the apartment upstairs. You can tell by the photos below that there was a lot of work that went into the demolition, thank you to everyone that helped, Things are ordered and it won't be long before we start putting it all back together. I would be remiss if I didn't mention the large financial assistance we received from Jim Kalscheur's foundation, they gave us \$10,000 this year and \$10,000 next year for the remodel.



#### Brats in the Lot

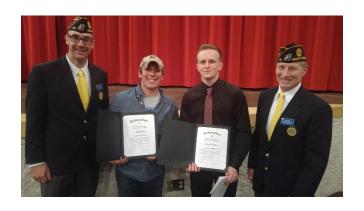
We had a great day selling brats at Miller and Sons Grocery Store on the 18<sup>th</sup> of June. We made more money than last year and plan to make even more July 23<sup>rd</sup>. Pre order your brats for dinner then you don't have to cook that day or that evening if you don't want to.



## **High School Senior Awards Night**

We awarded two four year scholarships and recognized 2 individuals that were volunteering to serve in the armed forces.





# Badger Boys and Girls State local Orientation

We sent 7 boys and 4 girls to Badger Boys and Girls State. The local orientation went extremely well and the Mount Horeb Boys and Girls all had an excellent time at Ripon College for the Boys and US-Osh Kosh for the Girls. It was the 75th Anniversary for Badger Boys State this year so it was another milestone year..



## Dane County Installation of Officers

Geoff Shields is installed as the Finance Officer for the Dane County Council of the American Legion by Denise Rohan, Candidate for National Commander June 30th at Post 501.



# A couple upcoming Events for all Veterans

## 1. Operation Badger Base

Operation Badger Base - (brochure attached) Several Veterans Service Organizations came together to host Badger Base. Badger Base is a celebration of military service. It will be held on the grounds of Harley Davidson Madison and Ho Chunk Gaming Madison - 6200 Millpond Road August 11th to the 14th. It will feature the Wall that Heals, The replica of The Tomb of the Unknown with Changing of the Guard and Wreath Laying, The activities are free and open to the public. Each day they will have bands. They are looking for volunteers to assist shuttling people, selling tickets, manning a Legion Booth, collecting trash, etc... If you are interested in volunteering let me know.

They're selling gun raffle tickets to help pay for this event. They are also selling wreaths for the wreath laying ceremonies.

#### 2. Walk for Veterans

Walk for Veterans during the 98th Annual Department Convention Saturday, July 16, 2016 8:00 AM National Commander Dale Barnett will be joining us for The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin 98th Annual Department Convention. On Saturday July 16th you can join him for a 1 mile Walk for Veterans or take part in a 5k run/walk. The event is open to the public and the walk will begin at the Madison Marriott West in Middleton, WI and will go to the start of the run course 8001 Terrace Avenue, Middleton, WI 53562 (about a ½ mile from the Marriott. The 5k will begin when the National Commander arrives from the Marriott.