



# The 189'er

The American Legion Pitterle-Beaudoin Post 189  
206 S. First Street  
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<http://www.americanlegionpost189.org>

February 2016

Post Phone 920-262-9189

**Post 189 Membership Meetings at 7:00 p.m.**

**First Monday each month, except in July & September,  
when we meet the second Monday of the month**

**2015-2016 Post 189 Officers**

- Commander.....Ken Zindars.....920-261-0442  
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- Sgt at Arms.....Louis Checkai.....920-261-3850
- Sgt at Arms.....Bill Connor.....920-261-3223



*In memory of*

- John Bloedorn** 09/17/2015
- Floyd Usher** 10/22/2015
- Lester Rose** 10/25/2015
- Wayne Danner** 12/27/2015
- Albert Dziadosz** 12/27/2015
- David Wertschnig** 01/14/2016
- Frank Minning** 01-26-2016
- Edwin Staude** 01-27-2016
- Glenn Friedl** 01-28-2016

Post #189 extends our sympathy to their families.

**COMMANDER'S CORNER**

**Be sure to put March 12 on your calendar for the Legion Birthday Party at Turner Hall. We will once again have great food and a great speaker. We're honored to have Bob Shappell join us once again.**

See you there! *Commander Zindars*

**GREEN BAY QUARTERBACK**  
**LYNN DICKEY TO BE AT POST**

Lynn Dickey will be at our Post on Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-8:00 PM. All current Post 189 Legionnaires are invited to meet Lynn and have him sign autographs. Sorry, NO guests, only current Post 189 members.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

- Walter Piel Air Force Vietnam Era
  - Lauris Leitzke Army Vietnam Era
  - Travis Unkel Air Force Gulf War
  - Richard Giese Navy Vietnam Era
  - Steven Flannagan Navy Vietnam Era
  - Bradley Webb Navy Vietnam Era
- Please welcome these new members to the Post. They were recruited because someone asked them.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- March 12, 2016: Legion Birthday Turner Hall**
- March 15, 2016: Legionnaire of the Year, Public Safety, etc. and others due at District.**
- May 21 & 22: Military Show at the Watertown Municipal Airport sponsored by the Watertown Vets Council**

**July 3 & 4: Legion July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration**

**RAFFLE TICKETS**

We still have raffle tickets to sell. This is our main source of income. Support your Post and purchase a ticket. Tickets are \$100, Grand Prize is \$5000, only 250 tickets sold. See Saeger, Schultz, Krueger, Peters, or Zindars Ins.

**NEW POST HOME**

The Post 189 Building Committee has been busy visiting existing buildings and looking at vacant land parcels to establish a list of potential sites for a future new post location. We have also had discussions on what we envision the needs and wishes for a future location would entail as well as potential costs.

The Post has established a Building Fund which has a present balance of \$46,658.27. We feel we will need at least \$250,000 to move forward. This can be accomplished by using existing funds, proceeds from the sale of our existing post, various fund raising efforts, possible revenues from rents if we purchase an existing property and, ultimately some generous bequeathals from Post 189 members.

Please give us your thoughts and ideas on how you feel we can accomplish these goals.

**DONATIONS MADE**

- \$200 - Tyler Hoffmann for his Eagle Scout project
- \$100 - Memorial Day Foundation-for wreaths on Americans graves in Europe. This includes 25 burial grounds honoring 124,908 U.S. war dead.
- \$200 - Anthony Chenits for “take a kid fishing”
- \$113.35 - the VFW for our share of postage for “care” boxes to serving vets.
- \$100 - Cross Point Community Church in Oconomowoc, for sponsoring the “Moving Wall”.

**VETERANS BENEFITS**

For benefits such as education, housing assistance, medical, etc, contact your Veterans Service Officer.

DODGE County:

Andrew Mueller 920-386-3798

[amueller@co.dodge.wi.us](mailto:amueller@co.dodge.wi.us)

JEFFERSON County

Yvonne Duesterhoeft 920-674-7240

[yvonned@jeffersoncountywi.gov](mailto:yvonned@jeffersoncountywi.gov)

**FREE WEEKEND**

Easter Seals is sponsoring a free weekend for Veterans and their families at Easter Seals Camp Wawbeek in Wisconsin Dells April 29-May 1, 2016. If interested call 1-800-422-2324.

**HONOR FLIGHT**

For WWII and Korean War Vets, if you have not taken a trip to Washington DC, you are missing out on an honor due you. Stars and Stripes Honor Flight flies out of Milwaukee and Badger Honor Flight flies out of Madison. For Stars and Stripes call 262-238-7740. For Badger Honor Flight call 608-616-0243.

**WE ARE NOW ON FACEBOOK**

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**AMERICAN LEGION WEBSITES**

Check out the American Legion websites:

Post #189 is [www.AmericanLegionPost189.org](http://www.AmericanLegionPost189.org)

State web-site is [www.WiLegion.org](http://www.WiLegion.org)

National web-site is [www.Legion.org](http://www.Legion.org)

Order Legion items at [Emblem.org](http://Emblem.org)

Find out what is happening with the American Legion, YOUR organization.

**MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
EQUIPMENT**

The Post has walkers, wheelchairs, canes, toilet seats, scooters, and lift chairs available for use, free of charge to anyone who is in need. Contact Service Officer Vern Schumann, 920-261-9477.

**FLAG DISPOSAL**

Tattered American flags can be disposed of at the Watertown Daily Times, Watertown Fire Dept., Aero Park, or the north side of the Legion Post.

**FLAGS FOR SALE**

The Post has 3 x 5 nylon outdoor flags available for \$20.00. We can also order most any size or type you might be interested in. The Post gets a 10% credit towards future purchases from the Legion catalog.



**THE BLUE STAR SERVICE BANNER**

30 Blue Star Banners were given by Post #189 in 2015, to family members of those serving in the military

**FLAG HOLDERS PRESENTED**



Vern Schuman, Blue Star Banner Chairman, and Steve Gillis, Color Guard Commander, present a Gold Star flag holder for the grave of Velda Wagner, to the children of Velda, who lost a son in Vietnam. They were also presented with a Vietnam flag holder for the grave of Michael Wagner, KIA in 1970. Front row lt. to rt. Terry Godfrey, Valerie Wagner, and Tom Wagner.

**VETERANS GRAVE MARKERS**

The County Veterans Service Office supplies a generic military grave marker for the graves of deceased veterans. It is plastic and has "US Veteran" imprinted on it. Also available are more specific markers, such as the war era, branch of service, or American Legion. Each is available in either bronze or Aluminum. Contact Adjutant Schultz at 920-988-0443 for further information

**BIRTHDAY PARTY TICKETS**

Get them NOW! \$14 each from Ron Krueger, Zindars Insurance, Bradow Jewelers, or at the Post on Thursdays.

**DONATION FROM ASSOCIATED BANK OF WATERTOWN**



Post #189 received a donation in the amount of \$1000 from Associated Bank of Watertown. Prior to Veterans Day the District had Military Display contest. The local Bank won the contest and could then choose their recipient. They chose American Legion Post #189. Here is a photo of a group of Legion members accepting the check from Patricia Volsch, Bank Manager.

**NEW MEMBER WELCOMED**



1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander Bob Saeger welcomes new member Bradley Webb.

**Be sure to support those businesses who sponsored this newsletter.**