# Post & Auxiliary Calendar

September 9-11 King Weekend - N2665 County Road QQ, King, WI 54946

9th 11:30 am Lunch; 12:30 pm Tour; 5:00 pm Dinner (Dutch Treat) at Harbor Bar

10th 8:30 am Mini Golf Tournament for King members; 12:15 pm Set up Casino; 1-3:00pm Casino Day

11th 10:30 am Worship service at the Main Chapel; 12:00 pm Lunch; 1:00 pm Visit with the members

Donate items that can be used as prizes for Casino Day. The members buy with the money they won at Casino Day.

September 13 Post Meeting (2nd Tuesday each month) 6:00 pm dinner and 7:00 pm meeting.

September 17 Stand Down 2016 Milwaukee Veterans at the Richard's St. Armory, 4108 N Richardson St, Milwaukee

September 22-24 AMVET State Campout Quietwoods South Camping Resort 9245 Lovers Ln Brussels 920.825.7065

October 1 SEC meeting at Beaver Dam Veteran's Center Officer Meeting at 9:00 am prior to Hospital and Service Foundation

meeting - all Dept. Officers and District Commanders are required to attend.

Hotels are Americ Inn 325 Seipple Blvd, (920) 356-9000 \$85 per night. Cutoff date 8/31/2016

Super 8 – 711 Park Ave, (920) 887-8880 1Bde \$62.10 per night. Cutoff date 9/9/2016

Quality Inn & Suites 815 Park Ave; (920) 887-7171; 2 Beds \$89.89 per night. Cutoff date 8/31/2016

October 7th-9th White Clover Drive Wal-Mart and October 7th-8th at Festival Food's

AMVETS WI Department Auxiliary Fundraiser at Westward Ho; 4905 Cty Rd S, in Oshkosh. 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm November 5

> Tickets for the event will be \$10.00/person and \$15.00 per couple. Del Rays will be our entertainment. Additional \$10/person for the buffet. Food will be available throughout the entire event. Raffles will be running during the

**December 9 &10** Fall Dance and SEC meeting - Hotels in Waupaca

Ramada Grand Seasons 715.258.9212 20 rooms reserved 1 night \$90 or 2 nights \$82.

Make reservations by Dec. 9.

Comfort Suites 715.942-0500 20 rooms reserved \$80/night. Make reservations by Nov. 15.

Village Inn 800-626-6391 10 rooms reserved, 5 inside \$65 and 5 rooms outside \$55.



9/1	Jay Weinstock	Van Dyne WI	9/19	Michael Larson	Oshkosh WI
9/1	Glenna Meyer	King WI	9/22	Patricia Roblee	Oshkosh WI
9/1	Wayne Gabriel	Neenah WI	9/23	Gerald Gumz	Oshkosh WI
9/3	Bart Eichhorst	Sommerville AL	9/25	Daniel Lindenberg	West Allis WI
9/9	Daniel Blackwood	Oshkosh WI	9/25	Richard Huber	Oshkosh WI
9/16	Lynn Holey	Neenah WI	9/27	Barb Chesna	Oshkosh WI
9/16	Robin Sterletske	Brillion WI	9/28	Todd Blanchette	Oshkosh WI
9/9	Amber Nikolai	Oshkosh WI	9/30	John Schettle	Oshkosh WI
9/19	loe Spanbauer III	Oshkosh WI			

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#### September 2016



#### Jeff Bedward

## Commander's Message

I hope everyone is doing well as we transition from the hot days of summer to the cooler days of fall. I would like to thank everyone that helped at CarpFest. I was happy to see all the post members that showed up. There were enough people that showed up to cover the event so that we were able to have a lot of fun this year.

Our post is in need of someone to step up as our chaplain. If you are interested please let me know.

The next event coming up is the fall White Clover Drive on October 7th - 9th at Walmart and October 7th-8th at Festival Food's I will have a sign up sheet at the next meeting so anyone that can help please sign up. Keep your eyes open for potential vet to join our post.

#### **Definitions:**

Stealing someone's coffee is called mugging.

Pasteurize: Too far to see

Whoever invented "Knock – Knock" jokes should get a no – bell prize
The other day I held the door open for a clown. It was a nice jester.
No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.
Energizer Bunny Arrested: Charged with battery.

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Post Chaplain ~ Will be appointed



With a number of our members absent due to the National Convention, no Auxiliary meeting and other reasons attendance was down slightly for the August but important business was discussed anyway. The major item was the report by Finance Officer Steve Chesna on the results of this year's Sawdust Days and the breakdown of income among the participating organizations. Steve reported that sales and income were up significantly this year. (Because it is our long standing policy to not report specific financial data outside of the normal business meetings, no dollar amounts will be included here. To obtain figures members should see Steve at a meeting or contact him directly.) It was reported that next year the City has already stated they would be increasing fees for Sawdust Days and this is expected to have a significantly negative impact on our future income.

Other items discussed included the approval of donations to the Back Pack for Kids program and signup for the AM-VETS Day at the Timber Rattlers game. Also the members agreed to donate unused meat from Sawdust Days to a local Food Pantry instead of trying to save it for next year's event. A signup sheet for the Buttes des Morts Lions' Club Carp Fest was also distributed so members could sign up for helping.

## Membership

Our AMVETS new year for membership starts on September 1st. By now all annual membership forms have been mailed to you. If you have not received your membership renewal form please contact me. The membership cards will be handed out at our October meeting. We have had a good year and hope that this next year will be just as good, if not better.

Keep it in mind that we are always looking for new members. Invite someone and offer to bring them to the meeting with you. Get an membership form and hand it to them before you leave. Follow up with them by inviting them to attend another meeting or to participate in an event.

Angie Hill 1st Vice Commander

### Retired Person's Perspective

- 1. I'm not saying let's go kill all the stupid people. I'm just saying let's remove all the warning labels and let the problem work itself out.
- 2. I changed my car horn to gunshot sounds. People move out of the way much faster now.
- 3. You can tell a lot about a woman's mood just by her hands. If they are holding a gun, she's probably very unhappy.
- 4. You know that tingly little feeling you get when you really like someone you've just met? That's common sense leaving your body.
- 5. I don't like making plans for the day. Because then the word "premeditated" gets thrown around in the courtroom.
- 6. I didn't make it to the gym today. That makes 1,500 days in a row.
- 7. I decided to change calling the bathroom the John and renamed it the Jim. I feel so much better saying I went to the Jim this morning.
- 8. Dear paranoid people who check behind shower curtains for murderers: If you find one, what's your plan?
- 9. Everyone has a right to be stupid. Politicians just abuse the privilege.

Old age is not as bad as I thought. It's a good feeling when you just don't give a hoot anymore and you feel happy just to wake up in the morning.



# Ladies Auxiliary News

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Dear AMVETS, Auxiliary Members and Friends,

September is just around the corner! In August, I went to the AMVETS National Convention in Sparks, NV. What a wonderful experience! Two of our Department of Wisconsin Auxiliary officers were sworn in as National Auxiliary Officers. Marvell Ruppel as National 1st Vice President and Joan Sirek as National Americanism Officer. The state of Wisconsin won 6 awards including 1st place for Child Welfare, 1st place for the President's scrapbook and 1st place for the scrapbook cover. Other awards were for Community Service Paws for a Cause, Linda Taylor Award and John Tracy.

Mark your calendar

September 9-10 King Weekend Friday, September 9th is the hospital tour and set up for the casino day. Help is needed for setting up.

September 10th is miniature golf. Help is needed to escort members around the course and keep score. In the afternoon there is Casino day. Dress attire for Casino day is white shirts and black pants. The members at King look forward to seeing us there every year. We are looking for items to give at casino day. Puzzles, books, scarfs, hats, mittens or anything in good condition that can be given as a gift. Many of the members use their "winnings" to buy holiday gifts for their family members. On Sunday,

September 11 there is a church service in the morning and then we will be going in the halls and handing out bananas and singing Carrols to the members. If you have a chance please come out. The members really enjoy us being there!

September 23-25 is the State Campout at Quietwoods South Camping Resort in Brussels, WI.

October 1 SEC Meeting. The SEC will be at the Beaver Dam Veteran's Center.

October 26 at 4:30 pm at King, there will be a Halloween walking taco dinner. Dressing up for this is encouraged! There will also be a beef stew dinner at King on November 16.

Our next 4th district meeting will be in late October or early November. More information to follow.

December 9th and 10th is the Fall dance and SEC meeting in Waupaca.

Make your calendar, our next meeting is September 13th. 6 pm is the dinner (\$2 donation), joint meeting is at 7 pm with the Auxiliary meeting to follow. I would really like to have a great turn out in September! Hope to see you at some of the events and at our meeting!

#### **Life's Lessons**

Written by Regina Brett, 90 years old, of the Plain Dealer in Cleveland, Ohio.

Life isn't fair, but it's still good.

When in doubt, just take the next small step.

Life is too short – enjoy it.

Your job won't take care of you when you are sick. Your friends and family will. Pay off your credit cards every month.

You don't have to win every argument. Stay true to yourself.

## **Individual Post Programs Report Form**

This form is used to track your volunteer time/ \$ donations/ and hours that you have performed in each month. Turn the previous month's hours in at the next month's meeting. Each month we add up the volunteer hours in the months so that a tally will be counted at the end of the month and year and posts will be awarded for their most service hours in their community.

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Use this form to signed up a new member. Please invite and bring them with you to the meeting or meet them at their first meeting. Our meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Dinner at 6pm and the meeting starts at 7pm.

#### AMVETS

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DATE	

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#### TEMPORARY MEMBERSHIP CARD

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Your official Membership Card will be forwarded to you. If you do not receive your card within 60 days, contact your Post 1st Vice or Commander

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#### Ainsworth Hall

It is the newest of the four member resident buildings at Wisconsin Veterans Home at King located in Waupaca, . It was built in 1993 and named in her honor. This building consists of four floors, has 205 beds, and a designated Alzheimer's / Dementia unit with an enclosed courtyard.

Ellen Ainsworth was born March 9, 1919. She was a Wisconsin resident and graduated from the Minneapolis Eitel Hospital School of Nursing in 1941 and in March of 1942, entered the U.S. Army Nurses Corps. She served at the Station Hospital at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, until the end of the year when she was assigned to Sam's 56 Evacuation Hospital in Houston, Texas. The hospital was soon sent to Bizerte, Tunisia, in North Africa, and several weeks later was relocated to Anzio, Italy.

On February 10, 1944, while caring for patients in a hospital tent, she was hit by enemy fire and died six days later at the age of 24. She was the only Wisconsin servicewoman killed in action during WWII. Ellen was award posthumously three medals: the Silver

Star (the third highest award for bravery), the Purple Heart, and the Red Cross Bronze medals.

According to the award citation: "2nd Lt Ainsworth was on duty in a hospital ward, while the area was being subjected to heavy enemy artillery shelling. One shell dropped within a few feet of the ward, its fragments piercing the tent in numerous places. Despite the extreme danger, she calmly directed the placing of 42 surgical patients on the ground to lessen the danger of further injury. By her disregard for her own safety and her calm assurance, she instilled confidence in hr assistants and her patients, thereby preventing serious panic and injury."

To commemorate her bravery, a health clinic at Fort Drum, New York, the American Legion Post in Glenwood City and a conference room at the Pentagon have also been dedicated to Ellen. She is buried at the U.S. Military Sicily Rome Cemetery, Nettuna, Italy.

Submited by Cathy Tratz

# If You Ever See A Coin Placed On Someone's Grave, Here's What It Means

When a man discovered a nickel placed on a headstone, he realized there had to be a reason behind it. Compelled by what he saw, he took photos and decided to look into it. When he learned their meaning, his heart was so touched that he had to share the story with others.



"A coin left on a headstone lets the deceased soldier's family know that somebody stopped by to pay their respect.

Leaving a penny means you visited. A nickel means that you and the deceased soldier trained at boot camp together. If you served with the soldier, you leave a dime. A quarter is very significant because it means that you were there when that soldier died,"