



The American Legion

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C O M M A N D E R & 1 S T V I C E C O M M A N D E R R E P O R T S

"Can I have your attention please"

Dear Legionnaire, S.A.L, & Ladies Auxiliary, the holidays have come and gone, I hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas and New Years Party's. I would like to thank the S.A.L for putting on a great meal for the ones less fortunate on Christmas day and for also putting on the employees Christmas party. Another thank you goes out to the Ladies Auxiliary for volunteering their time to dish out the free Arby's provided by the Post for your Adult Christmas Party. Job well done! I also want to thank my Canteen Manager Darla Mull and my Bookkeeper Denise Lamb for the job they have done this past year, along with our Barmaids, Joe Booth, Kitchen, & Janitorial staff, and of course our Finance Officer/Adjutant Ron Lhamon. Now we must look toward a new year. Our winter Conference is Jan. 17th & 18th, I will give you a report at our meeting January 23rd. We have a membership round up April 2nd, lets see if

we can make up 100%. I would also like to take this time to remind ALL of our members that at no time should you open a door for anyone inside the canteen, and this includes a family member or someone who you know is a member, if you are caught doing this, your membership could be jeopardized, and we do not want that to happen, so please leave the doors for the employees, or an officer of our Post, and always make sure your guest are signed in. Thank You. God Bless! Your Post Commander, Bill Hall

Brown Jug" again for the 41st year. Speaking of dues, they are all due NOW. If your dues are not paid, your KEY CARD will be deactivated and you will be charged a reactivation fee, to avoid this charge, you have to have your dues paid now. We have almost 1500 members in Post 96, but I am not seeing too many in our meetings. I know it might be a little inconvenient to attend the meetings at 8 p.m., but please try to attend so you can see what is going on and express your comments or complaints, hope to see you in attendance. If you did not know I am also the Gifts For Yanks Chairman and I would like to thank everyone for their Christmas Drive contributions. We did pretty good. My thanks and I am sure all the Veterans in the VA hospitals thank you. Until next time, thank you, John Dotson, 1st Vice Commander

Hello! John Dotson, your 1st Vice Commander. Hope you had a very Merry Christmas and have a prosperous 2009. I would like to thank all members who paid their 2009 Early Bird dues. Your participation helped us reach our quota goal. Thanks to all members in 2nd District for renewing to put 2nd District in the first place and win the "Little

2 N D V I C E E N T E R T A I N M E N T

2nd Vice Entertainment
Every Saturday 8-Midnight.

A quick bit of info from Darla

The Canteen has a new house D.J. "Hollywood Frank" every Mon. Wed. Thurs. & Friday nights from 7-11, he will play your request, and will get you a free drink if you can properly answer his trivia questions. Come join us!

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Greetings from the S.A.L. We hope everyone had a memorable Christmas holiday and wish you well as we enter this new year. The Son's jumped feet first into January with the years first fish fry on the 2nd. On Sunday the 4th, we served sauerkraut, pork and mashed potatoes for the members. If you haven't been here on Sundays, you need to come down and see what we're doing—soups, casseroles, or sandwiches, plus lots of raffles and camaraderie! We would like to thank everyone who supported our 6th annual "Community Christmas Dinner" held here on Christmas day. Together, we served nearly 400 dinners, distributed 20 food boxes, as well as the toys from Santa and an enormous amount of clothing. Lots of plan-

ning and hard work went into this dinner, and we certainly couldn't pull it off without the assistance from so many generous people and businesses.

Some of our upcoming events are as follows:

Jan. 4th — S.A.L. 2nd District Winter Conference—1:00 p.m. @ Post 446 in Anna, OH

Jan. 16-18th—Mid Winter Conference—Columbus, OH

Jan. 27th—Squadron meeting—6:00 p.m. @ Post 96. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!

Feb. 6th—S.A.L Friday Night Dinners—Menu will be announced later

Feb. 24th—Squadron meeting—6:00 p.m. @ Post 96. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!

Remember—every Sunday afternoon we are serving free lunch to our members. We can always use a hand. Please stop in and see what we're doing and you'll understand what we're all about! If you'd like to get more involved, call, e-mail, or just stop in and see us. This is a great place to meet up with old friends, and make new ones! Until the next time, please remember that "kindness is the oil that takes the friction out of life." Continue to support your post with your presence and your service to others.

For God and Country,
The Officers of Squadron 96

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January 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Open to the public for lunch 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Open to the public for Friday fish fry's 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. You must show proof of your membership card to purchase alcohol.</p>				<p>1 Free Pork & Krout Kitchen Closed!</p>	<p>2 Sweet & Sour Chicken over Rice & Fruit or Fish Sand & Soup</p>	<p>3 Seafood Night</p>
<p>4 S.A.L host Sunday's w/free food to members only and many raffles.</p>	<p>5 Beef & Noodles, Mashed Pot. & Veg. or Bologna Sand & Soup</p>	<p>6 Ham & Beans, Cornbread & Applesauce or Soup & Sub</p>	<p>7 Roast Pork & Dressing, Pot. & Veg. or Hamburger & Soup</p>	<p>8 Taco Plate w/ Salad or Tenderloin w/ Soup</p>	<p>9 Spaghetti & Meatballs, G. Toast & Salad or Hot Ham Sand & Cheese & Soup</p>	<p>10 Steak Night</p>
<p>11 S.A.L host Sunday's w/free food to members only and many raffles.</p>	<p>12 Swiss Steak, Mashed Pot. & Veg. or BLT Sand & Soup</p>	<p>13 Chicken & Noodles, Mashed Pot. & Veg. or Bologna Sand & Soup</p>	<p>14 Pork Chop, Scallop Pot. & Fruit or Ultimate Grilled Cheese Sand & Soup</p>	<p>15 Mushroom & Swiss Burger w/ Fries or Coney Dog & Soup</p>	<p>16 Spanish Rice w/ Salad or Cheeseburger & Soup</p>	<p>17 Steak Night</p>
<p>18 S.A.L host Sunday's w/free food to members only and many raffles.</p>	<p>19 Chicken Tender Chef Salad or Hamburger & Soup</p>	<p>20 Rigatoni w/ Meatballs or Ultimate Grilled Cheese Sand & Soup</p>	<p>21 Beef Stew w/Biscuits or Shredded Chicken Sand & Soup</p>	<p>22 Loaded Baked Potatoes & Fruit or Tenderloin Sand & Soup</p>	<p>23 Gizzards & Fries or BBQ Pork Sand & Soup</p>	<p>24 Chicken Night</p>
<p>25 S.A.L host Sunday's w/free food to members only and many raffles.</p>	<p>26 Spaghetti & Meat Sauce or Corned Beef Sand on Rye & Soup</p>	<p>27 Pork & Krout, Potatoes & Veg. or Stacked Turkey w/ Swiss Sand & Soup</p>	<p>28 Ham, Scalloped Potatoes & Veg. or Hamburger & Soup</p>	<p>29 Meatloaf, Pot & Veg. or BLT Sand & Soup</p>	<p>30 Sm. Sausage, w/Mac & Cheese or Cheeseburger & Soup</p>	<p>31 Steak Night</p>



We hope everyone had a very nice holiday. The Ladies Auxiliary meets at 7:00 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of every month in the American Legion conference room

and it is open to any Ladies Auxiliary member, in good standing, and who would like to attend. Our fish fry is always on the 4th Friday of every month, at 5:00 p.m., volunteers/helpers are always needed and are appreciated. Donations for bingo are also welcomed and much appreciated.

Your President, Brenda Phalen

- January 1, 2009—HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- January 16 & 17—Mid-Winter Conference in Columbus
- January 21 — Auxiliary meeting @ 7 p.m.
- January 23 — Auxiliary fish fry 5-7:30 p.m.
- February 14 — Valentine's Day
- February 16 — President's Day
- February 18 — Auxiliary meeting @ 7 p.m.
- February 27 — Auxiliary fish fry 5-7:30 p.m.

- Your Ladies Auxiliary Officers. . .
- President—Brenda Phalen
 - 1st Vice—Rosie Cowan
 - 2nd Vice—Carla Phalen
 - Secretary—Ruth Wukasch
 - Treasurer—Jeanne Sutton
 - Chaplain—Cassandra Keysor
 - Membership—Deb Conaway
 - E. Board—Jill Scales, Marjorie Bryan, Mona Shipley
 - District 2 President—Mona Shipley

February 2009						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 S.A.L host Sunday's w/free food to members only and many raffles.	2 Tuna & Noodles w/ Fruit or Sloppy Joe Sand & Soup	3 Swiss Steak, Pot & Veg. or Coney Dog & Soup	4 Tacos & Salad of Fish Sand & Soup	5 Beef & Noodles, Mashed Pot & Veg. or Hamburger & Soup	6 Chicken Breast, Pot & Veg. or Ultimate Grilled Cheese Sand & Soup	7 Rib Night
8 S.A.L host Sunday's w/free food to members only and many raffles.	9 Roast Pork, Pot & Veg. or Cheeseburger & Soup	10 Liver & Onions, Hash browns & Fruit or Chicken Sand & Soup	11 Lasagna & Salad or Ham Salad Sand & Soup	12 Chicken Al-a-king w/ Biscuits or BLT Sand & Soup	13 Swedish Meatballs, Pot & Veg. or Soup & Sub	14 Steak Night
15 S.A.L host Sunday's w/free food to members only and many raffles.	16 Baked Cajun Fish & Pot or Chili Cheese Dog & Soup	17 Meat Loaf, Pot & Veg. or Chicken Sand & Soup	18 Turkey Manhattan or Ham & Cheese Sand & Soup	19 Wings & Fries or Egg Salad Sand & Soup	20 Beef Manhattan or Sausage Sand & Soup	21 Spaghetti Night
22 S.A.L host Sunday's w/free food to members only and many raffles.	23 Beef Burritos or Ultimate Grilled Cheese & Soup	24 Tenders & Fries or Soup & Sub	25 Fish & Fries w/ Cole Slaw or Meatball Sub & Soup	26 Chicken Ranch Wrap or Tuna Salad & Soup	27 Roast Beef, Pot & Veg. or Hamburger & Soup	28 Pork Chop Night
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In these difficult financial times it is important that we assist our fellow Veterans less fortunate. You can do so by donating to our Local Allen County Veterans Food Pantry. Donations may be sent to the Lima Legionnaires Community Charitable Foundation a 501c3 public charitable Foundation.
All donations are tax deductible.