



Post 157 News

East Grand Forks, Minnesota



Volume 22, Number 2

September - October, 2009

Commander Eddie's Column —

Greetings to all,

I hope you have been enjoying your summer. The weather has not been the greatest, but there is no snow on the ground. First of all, I will take this opportunity to thank our many volunteers, Post employees and Managers for all your hard work and effort. Without your help and support, we would not have as fine a Post as we do. A salute to each and every one of you. This next year, I will stay on as Post Commander for the 2009-10 year. I will consider all suggestions and ideas for the betterment and livelihood of the Post. Please remember to support and be active in our Post whenever you can.

I hope you enjoyed the picnic with great fun and food. We also sponsored a World War II Honor Flight benefit at the end of August. Thank you for attending and supporting this great undertaking for our WWII Veterans. Our corn feeds got off to a late start due to the weather; if it isn't hot, corn doesn't mature.

I would also like to thank the Ladies Auxiliary and the Sons of the Legion members for their time and effort in finishing the main halls' ceiling. They have done an excellent job. Again, thank you for a fine job done by all.

In closing, please remember all our troops here and abroad in harm's way. They need our thoughts and prayers at all times. Until I write again, may God bless and keep you in His care.

Semper Fi!

~Commander Eddie

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

East Grand Forks American Legion Auxiliary Unit 157
Seniors 83 Juniors 17 (for 2010)
Bev LeTexier, Chairman (218)773-2917

SUMMER!! I think I missed it a couple of weeks ago. Must be fall, as we are starting a new Auxiliary year.

We ended the 2009 year with 814 members. Ladies, if you haven't paid your 2009 dues, it's not too late to retain your continuous membership. You still have a couple of months but don't wait too long, as Department and National will be cutting off the date for eligibility. So far for 2010, we have 83 seniors and 17 junior members who have paid their dues. Our National organization, again, won't be sending out notices until the end of August or into September. PLEASE don't wait for a notice, just leave at the Club or mail to me. Our annual membership dinner is October 6 at 6:00 p.m. in the Legion Club Rooms. Plan to attend, as we will have our District President, Jean Pederson, as our guest speaker. Lots of door prizes, etc. The Legionnaires have already said they will cook for us again. NEW MENU!

District Convention was held in Roseau in June. EGF received traveling trophies for the following: Children and Youth (Shirley Johnson, Chairman); Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation (Lucy Jarombek, Chairman); Rapacz Membership Trophy, (Bev LeTexier, Chairman). I also received an angel pin and a heart (flag) pin for Public Relations. Thanks to *The Exponent* and Missy Thompson for allowing us to "blow our horn" with the articles that are submitted often. It is always great to receive recognition for our programs. Our chairmen work hard and when we get trophies, it means we REALLY did the right things.

Department Convention was held in Mahanomen in July. I will be receiving the Silver Brigade award for membership again this year. I do not know what the award is yet, but will let you know in the next newsletter. Special thanks to the new members, who signed up in 2009, for the opportunity to again receive this award. I have received it every year since it started. CAN YOU HELP? Contact me and I will gladly tell you the benefits, etc. of our organization. NEW MEMBERS for 2010 are SENIORS: Lois Menke, Marjorie Stocker, Denise Unseth, Ruth Lindgren, Janet Enger, Mary Monita, Shelle Michaels, Marly Kueber, Missy Lee, Laurie Vasicek, Michelle Vasicek, Cynthia Proulx, Linda Demers and Cathy Coulter. JUNIORS: Emmaleis McPherron, Rebekah McPherron, Addison Zjedlik, Anna Proulx, Emily Proulx, Claire Proulx, Samantha Proulx, Gracie Coulter and Bailey Korynta. Welcome to all of you!

Please keep the relatives of our Auxiliary Members in your prayers: Vi Huggins, son died; Betty Bleth, mother died; Joyce LaDouceur, mother died; Karen Johnson,

mother-in-law died.

PACKAGES FOR THE TROOPS: We are collecting items for packages to be sent to the troops. Sometime between Thanksgiving and Christmas, they will be mailed. If you can help again, this would be appreciated. PLEASE, NO JUNK. We had some items that were not usable in the last basket at the Club. If you don't want unusable items, I'm sure the troops don't either. I'm pretty picky when it comes to sending items, so I would like you to be also. No chocolate or anything that will melt. Christmas lights (small packages) were a hit last year, small books (Reader's Digest size). An article was given to me recently, and I am hoping it takes effect before the next packages are sent. This is for FREE postage to the troops overseas. I'm currently waiting for more information on this.

One of our Auxiliary Members (who lives in another state but still belongs to EGF) is seeking donations for an American Legion Club in Gulfport, MS. After the hurricane, their Club had to be moved to another location and it's not a good place, so they are trying to raise some money to get another location. If you are interested in helping an American Legion Club, please give me a call and I will give you the name and address where you can send your donation.

A BIG THANK YOU to the people who donated coats, etc. for Seniors. TRIAD (which our Auxiliary is a sponsor of) has been collecting coats, scarves and mittens for seniors who are in need. The response has been great and hopefully the needy seniors will be able to have a warm coat this winter. Special thanks to C & R Cleaners for cleaning the coats.

SEPTEMBER: Meeting at 7 p.m. in the small dining room. Commander Eddie will be there to speak to us. This is Junior Activities Month.

OCTOBER: MEMBERSHIP DINNER IS ON THE 6TH AT 6 P.M. IN THE CLUB ROOMS. Lots of prizes, good food and a special guest, our District President Jean Pederson from Roseau. Dinner is free with your 2010 paid membership. Bring a NEW MEMBER and be in for a drawing for CASH! One chance for every new member you bring (senior members only for the drawing). New member will also receive CASH.

DUES ARE DUE. I HAVE NEW 2010 CARDS. DROP OFF AT THE CLUB OR MAIL TO ME. THANKS!

~Bev LeTexier

Dancing

Sundays, 5 - 9 p.m.

September

6 Auctioneers
13 Ramblin' Fever
20 Cathy Erickson
27 Little Bohemian Band

October

4 H & V Melodies
11 Red Lemon
18 O'Dell Braaten
25 Auctioneers
31 Children's Halloween Party 1- 3 p.m.

BINGO

Sunday: 1:30 p.m.
Monday: 7:15 p.m.
Thursday: 7:15 p.m.

Meetings

American Legion

Third Wednesday

Auxiliary

First Tuesday

Sons of American Legion

Fourth Wednesday

40 & 8

Chef deGare: Dick Wessling

Second Wednesday

Screening

Third Monday, 3:30 p.m.

Web Site Established

A Web site has been established at almn157.com. We will have the newsletter on this site and will be adding other things as needed. Check it out! If you wish to not receive the newsletter by mail, please e-mail me at terryburaas@aol.com. Thank you!

Web Site Established

A new VA site has opened in Grand Forks at 3221 32nd Ave S. Contact the Fargo VA if you wish to have your appointments at the Grand Forks site.

Meals

Monday: 5 - 7 p.m. Spaghetti \$4.00

Tuesday: 5 - 8 p.m. Burgers

Wednesday: 5 - 7 p.m.

Meatballs every Wednesday

Liver & Onions:

September 6 & 20

October 4 & 18

Chicken Fried Steak:

September 13 & 27

October 11 & 25

Thursday: 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Tacos, etc.
5 - 7 p.m. Tacos, etc.

Taco: 75¢

Soft Shell: \$1

Small Salad: \$2.75

Large Salad: \$3.75

Baby Burrito: \$3.50

Burrito: \$3.50

Chips/Cheese: \$1.50

1/2 Nachos: \$3.50

Nacho Plate: \$4

Friday: 5 - 7 p.m.

Chicken: \$7.95

Walleye or Shrimp: \$9.25

Steak: \$10.25

Saturday: 5 - 7 p.m.

Chicken: \$7.95

Shrimp: \$9.25

Steak: \$10.25

Sunday:

Breakfast: 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Burgers: 2 - 7:30 p.m.

Every Day:

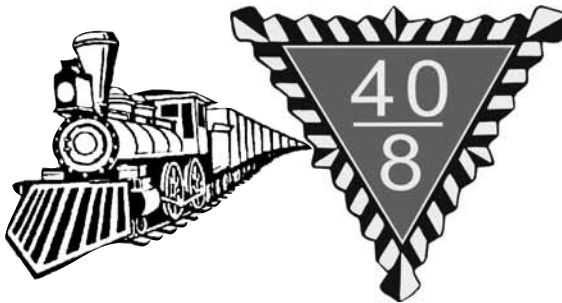
Breakfast: 7 - 10:30 a.m.

For those interested, we are receiving the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Times weekly at the Club. Please feel free to read them at any time as they are on the trophy case by the telephone.

American Legion Post #157
1009 Central Avenue NW
East Grand Forks, MN 56721

Non-Profit Org.
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
Permit Number 15
East Grand Forks, MN 56721

"Address Service Requested"



Promenades are September 8 and October 14. We are in need of some new members, so if you know anyone who would like to be a member, contact myself or Terry Buraas at the club.

~Chef De Gare Dick Wessling



TAPS

Kenneth R. Jordheim 36 years

Albertus "Al" Kresel 49 years