

February 2014 Newsletter

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Greetings Comrades,

Commander Scott Bill is currently on vacation to a southern location (much warmer then here) so I will be filling in and writing the newsletter this month.

Last weekend I attended the Department Mid-Winter Conference Banquet and was very impressed with Elementary School Department Teacher of the Year winner Peggy Skon, who was nominated by our Jr. Vice Commander Brad Kline. It was an honor to get to know Peggy and her family during the Banquet. I would also like to thank our own Comrade Jeff Jarosz for being the Department Teacher of the Year Chair, as he did an excellent job and represented our Post exceptionally well.

I have been very active this winter working with the Home Depot to potentially remodel our Hall. The Brooklyn Park Home Depot has agreed to supply volunteers for this project and at this point, we are just waiting for Home Depot Cooperate to approve a grant that will fund the materials. Along with the local Home Depot employees, we will also be looking for volunteers from our Post. If you have any interest, please e-mail us at palmerlake.vfw3915@gmail.com and we will contact you once we know more.

The 2014 Annual Poppy Drive is quickly approaching. This year's event is May 16, 17 and 18. Your help is needed in many areas including preparing a Post-wide mailing, selling Poppy Cards and distributing poppies at one of our designated locations. Please see the newly created Poppy page on our website http://palmerlakevfw.com/PoppyDistribution.html or Contact Stewart Whelan (763) 544-2918 or Tom Heinrich (thom.heinrich@gmail.com) for more information.

Next Post meeting is: 12 Feb 2014 at 7 PM

Next District meeting is: 08 Feb 2014 at 1000 Fridley VFW #363

Next Blood Drive is: 3 March 2014 from 1 PM to 7 PM

Yours in Comradeship, Scott Hanson, Sr. Vice Commander, Post 3915 palmerlake.vfw3915@gmail.com



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Comrades and Sisters,

We just finished Mid Winter Conference one weeks ago which was a big success. Lots of great classes, lots of old friends and the best was the banquette. Post 217 's teacher of the year did us proud. She had a short speech but said it all in a few words. The next big event is the State Convention in June in St. Cloud.

I'm a proud Vet to be a member of this Great Post. Come and join us third Wednesday at 7:00 PM every month. We could use your help.

REMEMBER...

The little things we do for veterans mean alot to them. God Bless!

Chuck Quigley Commander Post 217 Candy Pelz Auxiliary President



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Dear Sisters,

Hopefully you are all surviving the brutally cold weather! I know it has been a struggle for me! I just keep reminding myself we are tough Minnesotans - besides we can't leave cuz our feet are frozen to the ground!!

Mid-winter Conference was very enjoyable and informative. It is always fun for me to see fellow Auxiliary Sisters and VFW members from all over the state. There were a lot of fabulous poppy displays this year. Our display did not win an award, however Palmer Lake Auxiliary did receive 2 national awards for our participation in VFW programs. I will share more information from the conference at our next meeting.

My kudos go out to the Men's Auxiliary for having so many members attend the conference. Unfortunately the Men's Auxiliary does not get the recognition that they deserve at the state level. Let's all take the time to let them know how greatly they are appreciated at Palmer Lake. You guys are really super!

We will be hosting another Games Night at the VA Medical Center this month. All members are welcome to participate. The patients really appreciate our being there. Also Chili Cook-off is February 23rd. This is not an Auxiliary function, but is open to all members and guests. Bring your entry and / or your appetite and join the fun. Remember it's Daytona Race Day! Details are at the bar.

Recently an Auxiliary Sister was telling me about her plans to serve Meals on Wheels. Ends up she has been volunteering with this program for 6 years and has never claimed Community Service. Please Sisters - report your hours. It really is an important part of our organization.

The District 7 meeting is February 8th at 9am. All Auxiliary members are welcome and I know President Frankie would love to see you.

My Best Wishes to all of you. Be Healthy and Stay Warm!

Remember to report your community service! Please contact Marcie Short at 612-619-2333 or mshort7725@comcast.net.

Kim Mudge

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Members,

February 5 @ 6PM - Regular Schedule Men's Auxiliary Meeting February 8 - Turtle Lake Casino Trip Feb 23 – Chili Cook Off, Check in Entries 11:30 AM, Judging at Noon, Feast at 1 pm. March 7 - First Fish Fry of the Season

Special thanks to Men's Auxiliary member **Jeff Pallum** for volunteering his time and truck to help pick up a hospital bed for Lou. The Minneapolis Convention Center donated a hospital bed which Jeff transported early in January. **Terry Menke** donated a mattress to make the package complete. Lou is doing much better and may soon we will see him back at the Post. We are fortunate to have an abundance of great people to step up when needed. Thank you very much.

The Turtle Lake Casino bus trip is February 8. **Brian Melchior** will be checking everyone in 10-10:45 AM. The bus leaves at 11:00 sharp. The list is currently full, however we had 11 no-shows last year and encourage anyone that still may want to go to sign up as stand-by and be at the post during sign-in. Beverages will be provided on the bus. Thanks everyone for you fabulous support. This is a fun day!

Several members of the Men's Auxiliary attended the State Conference recently. **Gary Lind** is our representative. He and other Men's Auxiliary leaders continue to strive to work toward a better, more unified organization at the state level. Our 7th District Commander, Jaimie Bahl was also in attendance and was pleased with the turnout of the 7th District Post Auxiliaries. I'm sure you can see a proud photo of us on her Face Book Page.

The 7th District Bowling tournament was held recently. Post 3915 was represented by three teams, mostly Men's Auxiliary members. I am told that they did rather well. The official results are not out at the time of this newsletter and will be included next month; a good time was had by all including several spectators from the Post.

Welcome new members Leslie Pall and Jake Sward.

For membership issues or payment of you annual dues, please contact Del Lottman. For any member referrals, contact any of our members. Please remember to turn in your community service hours to Stuart Ruud, Jr. Vice.

Sincerely,

Dave "Booya" Thompson Palmer Lake VFW Post 3915 Men's Auxiliary Email: David.R.Thompson@hdrinc.com

Six Time All-American

PALMER LAKE VFW

Post 3915 February 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	February 1
	5:30 pm Member Drawing 7 pm - 9 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	5:30 pm Meat Raffle 5:30 pm Guest Drawing	Taco's - 2 for \$3 5:30 pm Auxiliary Drawing 7:30 pm - 11:30 pm Karaoke	Chili Dogs - \$2.00 4:30-6:30 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Dom & Rail Drinks 6:30 pm Bingo	7:30 pm Bargo 9:30 pm - 12:30 am DJ (After Bargo)	12 pm Cribbage 3:30 pm Meat Raffle
2	<u>3</u>	4	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	8
Ground Hog Day Super Bowl Party- Begins at 3 pm	5:30 pm Member Drawing 7 pm - 9 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	5:30 pm Guest Drawing	5:30 pm Aux Drawing 6 pm 3915 Men's Auxiliary Mtg. 7:30-11:30 pm Karaoke	4:30-6:30 pm Happy Hour \$2 Dom & Rail Drinks 6:30 pm Bingo	7:30 pm Bargo 9:30 pm - 12:30 am DJ (After Bargo)	10-11 am 7th District Meeting 12 pm Cribbage 3:30 pm Meat Raffle
9	10	11	12	<u>13</u>	14	<u>15</u>
	5: 30 pm Member Drawing 7 pm - 9 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Domestic & Rail Drinks	5:30 pm Guest Drawing 6:30 pm 3915 Ladies Aux Meeting	5:30 pm Aux Drawing 6:15 pm Housing Comm Mtg 7 pm Post 3915 Meeting	4:30-6:30 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Dom & Rail Drinks 6:30 pm Bingo	Valentine's Day 7:30 pm Bargo 9:30 pm - 12:30 am DJ (After Bargo)	12 pm Cribbage 3:30 pm Meat Raffle
16	17	<u>18</u>	19	20	<u>21</u>	22
Jerry's Karaoke 2-6 PM in the Hall	President's Day 5: 30 pm Member Drawing 7 pm - 9 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Dom & Rail Drinks	5:30 pm Guest Drawing	5:30 pm Aux Drawing 7 pm Post 217 & Aux. Mtg. 7:30-11:30 pm Karaoke	4:30-6:30 pm Happy Hour \$2 Dom & Rail Drinks 6:30 pm Bingo	7:30 pm Bargo 9:30 pm - 12:30 am DJ (After Bargo)	Washington's Birthday 12 pm Cribbage 3:30 pm Meat Raffle
<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	1
11:30 am - 1 pm Daytona 500 & Chili Cook- Off	5:30 pm Member Drawing 7- 9 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Dom & Rail Drinks	5:30 pm Guest Drawing	5:30 pm Auxiliary Drawing 7:30 pm - 11:30 pm Karaoke	4:30- 6:30 pm Happy Hour - \$2 Dom & Rail Drinks 6:30 pm Bingo	7:30 pm Bargo 9:30 pm - 12:30 am DJ (After Bargo)	12 pm Cribbage 3:30 pm Meat Raffle





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