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NEWS FLASH

"Want to know what is going on in the Post? Want to know if snow has canceled bingo, a dance, or closed the Lounge? Want to know how to join the Electric Coop? This and more is available on the Post 40 website at www.glenburniepost40.org/.

Click on **NEWSFLASH** for quick news. Click on **SPECIAL EVENTS** to find out what activities are coming up, or click on **NEWSLETTER** to find the Post News. If you need something added to the web, contact Judy Litke at moonrockb@aol.com or call her on 410-760-6253."

If you have access to the Internet, please consider removing your name from our Newsletter distribution list and reading your newsletter online. Please contact Lynne Thompson at lynbingo2@verizon.net, and put "Remove Name" in your subject line.

LEGION UTILITY CO-OP PROGRAM

Fellow American Legion Members,
You can now get the **LOWEST PRICES FOR ELECTRICITY AND NATURAL GAS DIRECTLY ON THE INTERNET** at: www.emaec.org and using Agent Code EMA34. The system will ask you to click on American Legion and will ask for your Post # (which allows us to verify membership with Post officers. Prices are updated regularly and are consistently under other offers. Your post gets credit for the sign-up, and we have 16 Legionnaires, Auxiliary, and SAL ready to help those without Internet access. Electricity is discounted about 18%, and natural gas about 55 to 60%!!!

Remember that this is a member by member, post by post Utility Cooperative, with the buying power of in excess of 300,000 members. Take your electric bill, for example, and compare the rate. You will be **VERY** pleasantly surprised! Unfortunately, this is **NOT** available in SMECO territory or Chop Tank Electric.

Questions? Give me a call.
Jim Lenz, D.E.C. chairperson for the Electrical Coop.,
(410) 533-9209 Cell

NEXT LEGION MEETING: April 14, 2010 at 7:30 pm

POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

As most of you know, our Post is trying to adjust to the downturn in the economy; the increase in expenses and the decrease in revenue while maintaining the much needed services and support to our Veterans' and their families. Change seems to be a theme, and with that in mind, as the trend of electronic communication increases, I'd like all who have access to the Internet to consider removing their name from our Newsletter distribution list. The cost to print and send a newsletter continues to increase and although the printed newsletter is the only link some members have to the Post, others like me can easily obtain the information online. If you're like me and want to discontinue receiving a hard copy newsletter, please contact Lynne Thompson at lynbingo2@verizon.net and please put "Remove Name" in your subject line.

Congratulations to Bill Tomlinson who was elected as Trustee at our last General Membership Meeting on March 10th. However, the Post has vacancies for the positions of 2nd Vice Commander, Historian, and Trustee. At the March meeting, Bill Semar accepted a nomination for 2nd Vice. He immediately resigned as Trustee, and Ed Mick accepted a nomination for Trustee to fill that slot. No nominations were accepted for Historian. These nominations will remain open until the April general meeting and I encourage all of you to reflect on how you can serve our Veterans' and community by seeking service as a Post Officer or Committee Chair/Member. Please keep in mind that the annual nominations are rapidly approaching.

Are you aware that Post meeting minutes are placed on the Commander's board in the hallway leading to the lounge? Please take time to read them. Post leaders are addressing issues and needs of our Veterans' and Post home. The Executive Board approved donations to the Southern Maryland District Youth Camp and the Korean War Memorial, while at our last general membership meeting, the House Committee presented a bid to re-strip our parking lot and the motion was unanimously approved. The By-Laws Committee presented changes that were approved at the general meeting to present to membership for review and a formal vote in April. Please see the copy posted in the lounge as well as the copy included within this newsletter.

Let's keep working together while keeping the four pillars of the American Legion as our focus: Veteran Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children & Youth.

As always, please contact me with questions, concerns, ideas or compliments.

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For God & County, Jay Vogel



POST 40 OFFICERS

2009-2010

Commander:

Jay Vogel

1st Vice Commander:

Joe Dripps

2nd Vice Commander:

Judge Advocate:

Les Brumfield

Service Officer:

Gary Dunaway

Sgt.-At-Arms:

Tim Wilson

Adjutant:

Maude Smith

Finance Officer:

George Nelson

Chaplain:

John Lowe

Historian

Executive Members:

Bill Tomlinson

Dick Whitney

Open



TAPS

Harry Johnson, Sr.

Our condolences

CHAPLAIN SPEAKING

As of March 16th, Our Chaplain, John Lowe is in BWMC. Please keep him in your prayers.

Due to John's hospitalization, if you are ill, or hospitalized, or a member has died, please call the Post at 410-761-9869 and leave the information with a bartender.

Post 40

SHRIMP FEAST
SATURDAY, APRIL 24th

7:00 - Midnight

Music: Oracle Band

50/50, Money Wheel, Cake Wheel
& Raffles. Tickets \$35.00

Auxiliary Officers
2009 – 2010



President

Joan Kotowski

1st Vice

Darlene Miller

2nd Vice

Jeanne Platzke

Secretary

Judy Litke

Treasurer

Margie Hall

Chaplain

Lynn Happel

Historian

Susie Knapp

Membership

Donna Alexander

Color Guards

Dee Hall

Stacey Collins

Sgt-At-Arms

Darlene Collins

Executive Committee

Donna Alexander

(Membership)

Cass LaMar

Pat Unroe

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Easter to Everyone,
Spring is finally here. The birds are singing, the flowers are growing and hopefully snow is a thing of the past. Just want to say thank you to all who helped on the Casino bus trip and hope everyone who went had a great time. Also, thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to help stuff baskets or work at the Easter party. A special thank you to Jerry Wilcoxon for being our Easter bunny, again.

Remember the Auxiliary will be doing a Quarter Auction on April 11th for COTA (*Children's Organ Transplant Assoc.*) If you need information or want tickets, please contact me at one of the numbers listed below. In the past few years the Penny Parade has not been doing very well, so this year the Quarter Auction will be taking its place. Please think about coming out and joining us for some fun and helping a great charity at the same time. The Auxiliary does not keep any of the profits, it all goes to charity.

Our new Auxiliary shirts are now on sale. They come in 3 colors (Maui Blue, White, and Burgundy). Cost is \$22.00 for sizes S to XL and \$25.00 for sizes 2 X-3X. Contact me if you are interested in buying one or more.

We need your help in finding out any information on our Gold Star Mother, Mrs. Eleanor Wimbish. If you know anything about her or her relatives, please contact Donna Alexander 443-891-3582.

Just something to think about. It has come to my attention that when a problem arises, you go to everyone but me. That is not what you are supposed to do. If you have a complaint, question, comment or problem with anything that pertains to the Auxiliary, you should come to me or call me. The solution can be achieved a lot quicker.

For God and Country,
Joan Kotowski, ALA President
410-761-3872 or 420-903-0668

Auxiliary

Sick board

Auxiliary Members: Please notify me if one of our fellow members is sick or in the hospital. I will put their names on the Auxiliary sick board in the lounge. Thanks,
Lynn Happel
410-761-1442(home)
or 443-794-4747 (cell)

QUARTER
AUCTION

Sunday

April 11, 2010

2:00 to 5:00 pm.

Advanced tickets:
\$5.00 for 2 paddles.
At the door: \$7.00.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

Do you have any information or contact number for Mrs. Eleanor Wimbish? If you know anything about her or her relatives, please contact Donna Alexander 443-891-3582.

AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP

SENIORS - \$15.00, JUNIORS - \$6.00

Contact Donna Alexander 443-891-3582 with membership questions.
Mail ALL dues to: Post 40 American Legion Auxiliary, 500 5th Avenue,
Glen Burnie, MD 21061

**SON'S OF THE
AMERICAN
LEGION
OFFICERS**



2009 -20010

Commander

J.R. Hall

1st Vice

Ron Knapp

2nd Vice

Lenny Collins

Chaplain

Jonathan Alexander

Finance Officer

Dave Sprucebank

Historian

Bill Drabic

Sgt At Arms

Stanley Hall

Adjutant

Jimmy Alexander

**ELECTED SO. MD
DISTRICT OFFICERS**

First Vice Commander

Don Hall Jr

Second Vice-Commander

Dave Sprucebank

Judge Advocate

Neal Sprucebank

Sergeant at Arms

Jimmy Alexander

SON'S OF THE AMERICAN LEGION COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Hello to all Our Legion Family,

Where has the Legion year gone? Here we are already rolling into April and bringing our year to an end. At this month's meeting, we will be holding our nominations for next years officers. We also are looking to wrap up this year strong, and all of you members can help us out by paying your dues if you haven't yet. I know during the tough times people try to hold on as long as we can to our money, but the time has come. We need everyone to get membership taken care of so you can still enjoy being a member of our Great organization. In just three months the cards for next years dues will be out and we will be collecting for them.

On May 15th we will again be holding our Veterans Free Lunch for the third year in a row. However, this year I have talk with the American Legion Auxiliary and they will be helping us with it all. Just stop by the Legion and sign up for the luncheon and let us know if you will be attending alone or bringing a guest with you.

Also on May 15th the Southern Maryland District Sons of the American Legion will be having a Shrimp feast at Greenbelt Post 136. They will have Shrimp, Beef, Corn on the cob, salads and more. Tickets are \$20.00 each. Please see Dave Sprucebank or JR if you are interested.

I would also like to Thank everyone who bought one of the calendars to help us raise money for Joe Gladden's campaign. We sold over 40 at and around our Post and on behalf of Joe, Thank you and good luck for the next six months. Remember to check the lottery number. Joe is the leading candidate for Eastern Regional National Vice Commander for next year and we at Squadron 40 support Joe and know he will do a great job. I look forward to seeing you at the Post.

Please Remember our Soldiers, Veterans and Children,

Don "JR" Hall Jr

SAL Commander Squadron 40

**VETERANS
APPRECIATION
LUNCH
SATURDAY
MAY 15TH**

NOTICE! NOTICE! NOTICE!

If you have not paid your 2010 dues by Legion rules you are now delinquent. Effective April 15th anyone that has not paid their 2010 dues is ineligible to win the daily or weekly Pot Of Gold.

Hello To All Legion Members and Family,

I wish to thank all members for allowing me to serve you and Post 40. I received calls from many people in the area looking to donate medical supplies; people needing medical supplies and members requesting assistance on benefits. I am diligently gathering information that will provide you the necessary guidance to your questions and benefits. Each month you will receive valuable names, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of persons that can help you with your needs. I will also publish information about your benefits in the upcoming newsletters.

Gary Dunaway, Service Officer

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This month's tip: American Legion Department service officers (DSO) offer free advice and guidance for veterans who need to deal with the Department of Veterans Affairs.

For Help with Claims:

Valerie Cochran
American Legion DSL
31 Hopkins Plaza, Baltimore, MD 21201
Phone: 410-230-4420, Fax: 410-230-4421
E-mail: valerie.cochran@va.gov

For Help with Policies:

Thomas Davis
War Memorial Building, Room E
101 N. Gay St., Baltimore, MD 21202-4095
Phone: 410-752-1405, Fax: 410-752-3822
E-mail: tom@mdlegion.org

AMERICAN LEGION POST 40 BY-LAW COMMITTEE MEETING 1/23/2010 10:45am

Attendees Dick Whitney, Bill Tomlinson, Gary Dunaway, Bill Semar

The format will be page #, Article#, Section#, old sentence then new wording

CONSTITUTION

Page 2: Article II delete Section 1. As there is only one section

Page 2: Article IV rename Section 3. To *Section 1*.

Page 2: Article IV rename Section 4. To *Section 2*.

Reads: A quorum is required as defined under Article V, Sec 3. The Executive Committee Section 3 of the Constitution.

Correct: A quorum is required as defined under *Article VII, Section 3*.

Page 3: Article IV rename Section 5. To *Section 3*.

Page 3: Article IV rename Section 6. To *Section 4*.

Page 3: Article IV rename Section 7. To *Section 5*.

Page 5: Article XII Section 1. 2nd line Executive Committee which shall consist of the duly elected officers (10) and the Past Post Commander as provided in Article VI Section 1. The Committee shall also consist of (3) elected trustees. The term of office shall be for (1) administrative year.

Correction & Change: Executive Committee which shall consist of the duly elected officers (*as set forth in Article V, Section 1.*) and the Past Post Commander as provided in Article VI Section 1. The Committee shall also consist of (3) elected trustees and the Glen Burnie Post 40, Department of Maryland Executive Committee Member (s). The term of office shall be for (1) administrative year.

Page 5: Article XII, Section 2. Reads: ... as set forth in Article V, Section 3.

Correct: as set forth in Article V, *Section 1*.

Page 5: Article XII, Section 3. Rename Article XIII. To *Article XII*

Page 6: Article XIII delete Section 1. As there is only one section.

BYLAWS

Page 8: Article III, Section 1 delete the word "three" (as there is only two duties added)

Page 8: Article XIII delete Section 1. As there is only one section

Page 8: Article IV, Section 4. Rename Article XIII. To *Article XII*

Page 8: Article VI delete Section 1. As there is only one section

Page 9: Article VII, Section 13, Rename Article XIII to: *Article XII*

Page 10: Article VII, Section 2. Rename Article XIII to: *Article XII*

Page 10: Article X delete Section 1. As there is only one section

Page 11: Article XI, Section 6. Reads: A 2/3 vote of the total of the Executive Committee is required for approval of employment or discharge.

Change to: A 2/3 vote of the Executive Committee is required for approval of employment or discharge. (deleting "of the total")

Page 11: Article XI, Section 11, 5th line: ... The Commander, an a quorum set...

Change to The Commander, *and* a quorum set...

Page 11: Article XI, Section 11, 6th line: Rename Article XIII To: Article XII

Page 12: Article XI, Section 14, Rename Article 11 or Article 12 to: *Section 11 or Section 12*.

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNERS 5:00 pm.

- April 2nd Crab Imperial (Price to be announced) (AUX)
 April 16th Open Faced Beef/With Gravy, French Fries, Cole Slaw \$7.00 (Legion)
 April 30th Fried Chicken Mac Salad and veggie (SAL)

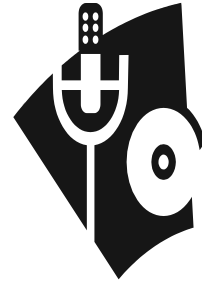
MUSIC IN THE LOUNGE

Join Us for Karaoke & DJ Music 8:00 - Midnight

FRIDAY NIGHT

SATURDAY NIGHT

Fri. April 2	Reasons Karaoke	Sat. April 3	Reasons Karaoke
Fri. April 9	Reasons Karaoke	Sat. April 10	Johnny B. DJ
Fri. April 16	Moonlight Karaoke	Sat. April 17	Moonlight Karaoke
Fri. April 23	Johnny D's Karaoke	Sat. April 24	Johnny D's Karaoke
Fri. April 30	Reasons Karaoke	Sat. May 1	Reasons Karaoke



NEW POST 40 LOUNGE HOURS

Sunday	12:00 pm - 12:00 am
Monday Thru Thursday	11:00 am - 12:00 am
Friday and Saturday	11:00 am - 2:00 am

The Lounge Grill has been removed, but the bartenders will still be serving food.

*Steamed Shrimp
Every Saturday
Night.*



Birthdays & Anniversaries 2010

If you are a Member of Post 40 and would like your birthday or anniversary remembered in the Post 40 newsletter, Please mail this form to Post 40 and address it to Lynne Thompson. You may also Email the editor. Please *put birthday or anniversary in the subject line of your email*, or place the form in the newsletter box at the Post.

NAME _____

BIRTHDAY (Month & Day) _____

NAME _____

BIRTHDAY (Month & Day) _____

ANNIVERSARY

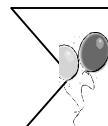
NAMES: _____

(Month & Day) _____ Years Married: _____

PLEASE NOTE: If you would like to have your birthday or anniversary listed in the newsletter, please fill in the form above and send it in a month ahead of your birthday or anniversary.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations for positions of 2nd Vice Commander, Historian, and Trustee will remain open until the April general meeting.



*Post 40 wishes
A Happy
Birthday To*

<i>John Kotowski</i>	<i>April 4</i>
<i>Eleanor Ayres</i>	<i>April 7</i>
<i>June Sturgeon</i>	<i>April 8</i>
<i>Steve Horseman</i>	<i>April 14</i>
<i>Carol Gettier</i>	<i>April 17</i>

*A Happy Anniversary Wish to
Darlene & Lenny Collins
April 11th, 23 yrs.*

*Steve & Lorie Sheely
April 20th, 10 yrs.*

