



# THE LAKE REGIONNAIRE



**FOR GOD AND COUNTRY**

**The AMERICAN LEGION LAKE REGION POST 703**

**Fox Lake, Illinois 60020**

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## COMMANDERS CORNER

Greetings Legion Family,

Well as we enter the Memorial Day weekend let us remember what this holiday is about. As Americans, we have no more important holiday than Memorial Day, the holiday where we come together and honor those who gave their lives in service to our country. It's the one holiday that makes all other holidays possible.

For too many, Memorial Day has become just another day off from work, or a day for barbecues, the Indy 500, special outdoor concerts, marathon of war movies, parties and swimming pools bashes. But for some families, it is a day to reflect and celebrate the lives of their loved ones lost in conflicts and wars in protecting and defending our country as well as our Allies from our enemies.

Memorial Day honors service members who died in service to our country or as a result of injuries incurred during battle. Deceased veterans are also remembered on Memorial Day for this day is set aside to remember those who paid the ultimate price for freedom and democracy.

May we never forget to salute, our flag in remembering and celebrating the lives of America's sons, and daughter's, fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters and many more. For those who sacrificed and shed the blood and tears in fulfilling their oath to their country.

As I come to the end of my tenure as your Post Commander I wish to take this moment to thank you, my Legion Family, for the support, dedication and selflessness sharing of their time and personal resources. I wish the future commander and officers the very best as they prepare for their future endeavors. And lastly think SAFETY this weekend. Celebrate but remember that it is a weekend to celebrate our hero's. Please do not add your name to the list of remembrance.

Quote to dwell on.

"I am determined to be cheerful and happy in whatever situation I may find myself. For I have learned that the greater part of our misery or unhappiness is determined not by our circumstance but by our disposition." — **Martha Washington**

Respectfully,

For God n Country  
Bob Gabriel  
Cdr, AL Post 703

## AUXILIARY NEWS

Happy Summer!!

The weather has finally found us. VA Fishing Day is June 1<sup>st</sup>. Please remember that our Fishing day is for our Vet's from the VA hospital. Burger's and Bikes will be June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Our Jr. Girls will meet on Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 4pm in the Senior Members will meet on Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Social time is at 6pm..

### **CONGRATULATIONS New Officers of Lake Region Unit 703 for the 2018-2019 year.**

**President: Cathy Berkowski**  
**Vice President: Felicia Grzesik**  
**Secretary: Jackie Black**  
**Treasurer: Judy DeRosa**  
**Chaplain: Carol Kiraly**  
**Historian: Lucille Bidzinski**  
**Sgt. @ Arms: Cheryl Wagner**  
**Asst. Sgt. @ Arms: Mary Ann Fischer**

Our Unit will be assisting 10<sup>th</sup> District with the Carnival at Lovell on Tuesday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. Please call VA&R Chairman Jackie L. @ 847-962-1030 if you can volunteer your time to help make the day great for our Veterans.

To all Auxiliary members Thank you for 3 wonderful years as Unit President. You have been a GREAT group of ladies!!!!

For God, Country and our Veterans,  
Ginger Johnson  
Unit 703 President

## SAL NEWS

Greetings Legion Family,

Our first VA Fishing Derby will be on June 1<sup>st</sup>. The Fox Waterway Agency is on board and will be providing us with 2 boats and crews to take the disabled vets on boat rides. The Auxiliary is working with us again this year, and I hear there may be a few surprise menu items! We will be needing help running food from the grill, serving food to the vets, and various other duties including clean up after the event.

Tickets for our first gun raffle will be on sale very soon. We are raffling off 2 handguns. We will be selling 300 tickets at \$10 each. The drawing will be held in the bar on July 7<sup>th</sup>. All proceeds will go to support Legion programs and the veterans.

Lastly, if you haven't paid your 2018 dues, please do so ASAP. We are currently over 100%, but have many members that have not yet paid.

For God and Country,  
Jeff Haddick, Commander Squadron 703

## Note from Editor

Please provide newsletter information to me (by email only) before the **4<sup>th</sup> Friday** of each month. Your emails should be forwarded to [mstelter@aol.com](mailto:mstelter@aol.com) . Thank you in advance for your support. Bob Stelter

## Did you know?

Did you know that our post 703 has an official Email address? [financegurus703@live.com](mailto:financegurus703@live.com) Send us an email with your questions or requests.

Since the time of the Revolutionary War, up until the present day, there have always been brave men and women willing, to sacrifice all in the battle of freedom and good, against tyranny and evil. This Memorial Day please do not forget these brave souls.

Submitted by  
Jerry Kandziorski  
Chaplain

## Drop Zone Bar Upcoming Events

Greetings Legion Family,

Fun event for the month of June happening in the Drop Zone bar are listed below:

**June 2<sup>nd</sup>** **John Piet** Live music in the bar from 3 pm to 6 pm

Robin Janisch  
Bar Manager

## Thank you Corner

**Mike Hellios** – Thank you for the mulch you delivered. Also, thank you to the Mulch Center for the mulch donation. The Post gardens look fabulous for another year due to your donation and your valuable time.

**RJL Landscaping** – Most of the landscaping to date was done by RJ. Our post grounds by the cannon and Memorial look outstanding great job RJ!

**Kitchen Staff** – Robin Janisch, Jerry Kandziorski, Arlene Marker and Marge Stelter all helped to prepare and serve the lunch that was offered to the public after the Memorial Day service.

Post 703 would like to thank all of the people listed above for their services provided to make the Memorial Day ceremony on the post property beautiful and for the delicious meal that was provided as well. It takes a village to raise a child and many people working together to make the day great for all of Veterans.

## Ha Ha Corner

A cab driver picked up a nun. She got into the cab, and noticed that the VERY handsome cab driver wouldn't stop staring at her. She asked him why he was staring. He replied: "I have a question to ask, but I don't want to offend you." She answered, "My son, you cannot offend me. When you're as old as I am and have been a nun as long as I have, you get a chance to see and hear just about everything. I'm sure that there's nothing you could say or ask that I would find offensive."

"Well, I've always had a fantasy to have a nun kiss me." "Well, let's see what we can do about that: No. 1, you have to be single, and No. 2, you must be Catholic," she responded. The cab driver, very excited, said, "Yes, I'm single and Catholic!" "OK," the nun said. "Pull into the next alley." The nun fulfilled his fantasy with a kiss that would make a hooker blush. But when they got back on the road, the cab driver started crying. "My dear child," said the nun, "Why are you crying?"

"Forgive me but I've sinned. I lied and I must confess; I'm married and I'm Jewish." The nun said, "That's OK. My name is Kevin and I'm going to a costume party."

**June 2018**

4	SAL Meeting	7:00 PM
11	Ladies Auxiliary Meeting	6:30 PM
13	Executive Board Meeting	7:00 PM
18	Legion Riders Meeting	7:00 PM
27	General Membership Meeting	7:00 PM

**July 2018**

2	SAL Meeting	7:00 PM
9	Ladies Auxiliary	6:30 PM
11	Executive Board Meeting	7:00 PM
16	Legion Riders Meeting	7:00 PM
25	General Membership Meeting	7:00 PM

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