



Bensley-Rounds Post 280

Post Notes

Iroquois, South Dakota



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February 20, 2012

Next Meeting – March 1, 2012
Time: 7:00pm.
At Post Home, Iroquois, S.D.

“Just Ask One More”
2012 Membership: 91.18%

TAPS: Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Bernard Engel.

“Love your country. Your country is the land where your parents sleep, where is spoken that language in which the chosen of your heart, blushing, whispered the first word of love; it is the home that God has given you that by striving to perfect yourselves therein you may prepare to ascend to him.” ~Giuseppe Mazzini

COMMANDER’S CORNER

Next meeting is March 1, 2012 at the Post home at 7:00PM.

Post Breakfast on March 11, 2012 for the Boys State.

Committees were assigned at the last meeting. The Boys State Committee consists on Colin Royal, Merlin Rieck, and Herb Rusche. Good Citizenship will also be decided at that time.

The Election Committee consists of Merlin Rieck, Charemon Dunham, and Herb Rusche.

Elections are in April with installation in May. If you are interested in a Officer post contact one of the committee members.

Any member who signs up two (2) new members, I will pay your next years dues. PUFs will get the cash. - Deb Jennings, Commander

District 6 Meeting Set – Sunday, April 15, Mitchell American Legion Post Home, Meeting at 3:02 p.m., Social following meeting, Banquet at approximately 5:30 p.m. District Executive Committee will meet at 2:02 p.m. The Auxiliary will meet in the Mitchell Post Home basement.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership is doing well as we have 93 members paid for the 2012 year with a goal of 102. If you have not paid your dues please do so ASAP so we can get them in to the Department.

2013 dues will be going up to \$35 as voted by the membership present at the November meeting. This dues increase falls in line with the National dues increase to take effect on July 1, 2012 for the 2013 year. The Post dues will also increase as of July 1, 2012 for the 2013 year.

Remember, just ask the new members to join and ask the past members to renew their membership and Just Ask One More.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 29 – County Meeting @ Arlington
Mar 1 - Post Meeting
Mar 11 – Breakfast
Mar 11 – Daylight Savings begins
Mar 15 – Auxiliary Meeting
Mar 15-17 – American Legion Birthday
Mar 28 – County Meeting @ Badger
Apr 5 – Post Meeting
Apr 5 – Maundy Thursday
Apr 8 – Easter
Apr 15 – Breakfast
Apr 15 – District 6 Meeting @ Mitchell
Apr 19 – Auxiliary Meeting
Apr 25 – County Meeting @ DeSmet

AUXILIARY UNIT 280 NEWS

The next meeting is March 15, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Post Home.

Checkout the Website at: www.americanlegionsd280.org

Elections are around the corner in April with installation in May. End of year reports are now due also.

Girls State Committee was selected; members of the committee are Annette Dunham, DeLores Royal, and Marlys Peskey. Good Citizenship will also be selected at that time.

**THANK YOU TO
THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY**

(From the UTN 3072 02/15/12)

Words cannot begin to express my deep gratitude to all of you Legionnaires, Auxiliary members, SAL and Legion Riders for the many kind words, beautiful gifts, cards and special messages in so many ways this past weekend. Thank you so much for sharing this time with me and for all of your kindness and support through these 27 years and 4 months. A special thank you to Commander Mark, Denny, Warren and Judy for ar-ranging the reception and other surprises throughout the week-end. Thank you also to those who have sent cards and gifts through the mail. You truly have touched my heart and I am so thankful to be a part of this very caring American Legion Family. It has been a privilege for me to work for you...The American Legion of South Dakota. Karen Lund, Administrative Assistant, American Legion Department of South Dakota.

Did You Know?

- The American Legion was chartered by Congress in September 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization.
- On March 15-17, 1919, the first Legion caucus, held by members of the American Expeditionary Force, convened in Paris.
- The American Legion membership stands at over 2.4 million in 14,000 posts worldwide.

The winds that blow through the wide sky in these mounts, the winds that sweep from Canada to Mexico, from the Pacific to the Atlantic - have always blown on free men.
~Franklin D. Roosevelt

HATS IN THE RING

(From UTN 3072 02/15/12)

Edgar L. Herrick Post 42 of Arlington has endorsed Terry Hanson for State Vice Commander for Districts 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 for the Department of South Dakota.

**COMMANDER WEINMANN PRESENTS
NEW FUNDRAISER**

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Commander Weinmann presented a fundraiser to the Department Executive Committee for their approval. The proceeds from the fundraiser will be earmarked for upgrading State Headquarters. Commander Weinmann told the Executive Committee that office furniture, carpeting and other upgrades are needed to bring the American Legion Headquarters up-to-date. The Department Executive Committee approved the Commander's fundraiser.

The program is being called a "52 week raffle". Only 500 tickets will be sold at a cost of \$50 per ticket by June 1, 2012. Each ticket holder will be eligible for the drawing each week for \$150. You may win as many times as your ticket is drawn during the year. All profits from the fundraiser will be used to upgrade your Department Headquarters.

Tickets will be available from the District Commanders, Commander Weinmann and State Headquarters. All American Legion Posts and members are encouraged to support the program and have fun checking the *Up To Now* to view the winners.



"Here's your problem, sir. You had your right-wing news cable connected to your left-wing outlet."