

MAY / JUNE NEWSLETTER

HOG FEST in HISTORIC EDENTON

Now is the time for all good members to set forward, that one step, and let's work together for a successful weekend. Following is a list of activities and the person to call if you are willing to help:

- 1 – Pull bleachers from Nashville, NC – Saturday, 4/26/08 – Leave Post between 8 & 9 AM. Call E.C. at 482-4057 if you are willing to go. Need 6 pickups with drop pin hook-up. Post will pay for fuel.
- 2 – Ticket Sales – Call Jerry at 482-0106 or 482-4057.
- 3 – Beer & Wine Garden / Concessions – Call Jack at 482-8848 or 482-4057
- 4 – Parking – Call David at 482-4288 or 482-4057
- 5 – Cook-offs – Call Steve at 482-4179 or 482-4057
- 6 – Lawn Mower Races – Call E.C. at 482-4057
- 7 – Kids Pedal Tractor/Tricycle Races – Call Linda @ 482-8848 or Sherri @ 482-5505
- 8 – Arts & Crafts Show & Sale – Call Brenda at 482-7706
- 9 – T-Shirt Sales – Call Jerry at 482-0106 or 482-4057
- 10 – Pull bleachers to Suffolk, Va. – Wednesday, May 7 or sooner – The next user will pick them up there. Will need help Friday, May 2nd to set-up stage for concert. Not sure of the exact start time but it will be in the AM. Come on out and have coffee and friendship. Good things don't just happen, it takes good people to make them happen, and we have good people. Don't leave all the work to just a few people. If you can only work a couple of hours just let us know. If you need a sit down job, just tell us. There all types of task to be performed. Let's put on a grand show because we have people coming to our grounds and town from all over the country. As you consider what you are willing to do remember, "If it's to be it is up to me".

WEBSITES

Post 40 has a web site at www.nclegion.org. Once on the site you go to NC Post and then scroll down to Edenton. In working with the web master we try to keep the web page current.

The Chowan County Regional Fair web site is www.chowanfair.com. There are links there to other events sponsored by the Post.

You are encouraged to view these sites. If you have suggestions please let us know. We have a member who has volunteered to build a data base of member's emails, if members so desire, and to forward items of interest about veteran issues and Post happenings. If you wish to be kept informed by email then contact Bud at buds27t@hotmail.com.

POST & UNIT REGULAR MEETINGS

The first Tuesday of the month is the magical day. May 6th and June 3rd are the dates to circle on your calendar. We eat at 7:15 PM and the meetings begin at 8:00 PM.

The May 6th meeting is very important, as it is when we elect 2009 Legion Year Post Officers. Those that have been nominated are: Commander – Dale Wright

1st Vice Commander – Joe Patrick and David Barnes

2nd Vice Commander – Pryce Hohenstein

Adjutant – E.C. Toppin

Finance Officer – Gerald Rahal

Service Officer – David Barnes

Chaplain – Jimmy Jarrell

Assistant Chaplain – David Barnes

Sgt. At Arms – Ron Harper, Bill Schmidt and Lois Schmidt

Historian – Haurice Toppin

Judge Advocate – Peter Rascoe

3 Year Term – Executive Committee – Joe Lee, Pryce Hohenstein and Steve Leary

Nominations for all offices are still open. If you wish to be considered for an office you need to contact a member of the Nomination Committee or be prepared to be nominated from the floor on May 6th. As you

see some have been nominated for more than one position. A person can only hold one elected office at the time on the Post level. A Post officer can hold a Department elected position such as District or Division Commander.

June 3rd will be a joint meeting for the purpose of installing 2009 Post officers. Your attendance is a show of support for the new officers and your Post.

CARSON & BARNES CIRCUS

For several years we have tried to partner with a quality circus and finally those efforts have paid off. The Carson & Barnes Circus is a large 3 ring circus and when we say large, they advertise the largest big top in the world. They will bring real excitement to the American Legion Fairgrounds on Sunday, May 18th with two big shows, 1:30 PM and 4:30 PM. Make your plans now to bring the kids and grandkids. Several businesses in the area will have complimentary tickets for the kids. Track them down and thank the business for the free ticket.

There will be a need for help in the parking lot. Call 482-4057 if you will be here to help park cars.

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

The Memorial Day Service will be Monday, May 26th at 11:00 AM at the Chowan County Veterans Memorial at the corner of East Queen and Court Street behind the Court House. The guest speaker will be Lt. Col. Cindy Davis, USAF Ret. Special music will be provided by Tracy Smith, Associate Pastor, Rocky Hock Baptist Church. Come and show your support for the sacrifice of our brothers and sisters in arms. Anyone desiring to lay a Memorial Wreath should report by 10:30 AM.

WORK LIST

There was no intention of causing heart failure when a list of jobs that need to be accomplished around the Post was included in a previous newsletter. Most of those same task still exist, plus more, but it appears that we have to get hearts pumping again to show progress. Anytime you can help just drop by.

AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL

American Legion Baseball will begin the first week in June, depending on high school play-offs. The schedule is ready (see Calendar of Events) and it will be posted on the two previously websites and given to the Chowan Herald. For the home games there is a need for an announcer, concession workers and ticket sellers. If you are willing to help, call Jerry at 482-0106 or 482-4057. Also, support the team by becoming a fan of American Legion Baseball. The young men appreciate fan support. All home games will be played at Hicks Field, Edenton. All home games, at this time, are night games and will start at 7 PM.

PULL TABS

If you have been saving the pull tabs please try to drop them by the Post before June 10th so that we can get them ready to take to the annual Department Convention. You can drop them in the Flag Collection Box in front of the Post Home if no one is here.

BINGO & COOK TEAMS

Both can use help. We have a few people doing a lot of work to raise the funds for the various programs supported by your Post and for the upkeep of the Post. Neither of these are hard work when there is ample assistance. Most of the time is fun as we do the work we make and renew friendships, tell jokes and remember times gone by. Come on out and give it a try, you just might enjoy it and make a new friend. Bingo is every Monday evening and help is needed from 6:30 PM until about 10 PM. Training is free. If you want to join the cook team call 482-4057 for a schedule of catering events.

BREAKFAST GATHERINGS

The member's breakfast gatherings have been very enjoyable. The dates for the next two are Saturday, May 10 and Saturday, June 7. Both gatherings will be in the back building because the front building is rented

for weddings. Make your plans to come out. The Commander will report on happenings and then there will be an opportunity for input from those in attendance. The plan is to continue these get togethers the Saturday after the monthly regular meeting. The regular meeting is the first Tuesday. Coffee will be ready by 7:30 AM and we will eat at 8 AM. No charge has been set as yet. The donation can has collected enough to about cover the cost so far.

STAR SPANGLED GIRLS

For those of you who did not take the time or make the effort to come our and support the efforts of the Post to provide for the community, YOU missed an excellent program. It is definitely your loss.

DISTRICT 1 MEETING

The next meeting of District 1 will be Saturday, May 10 at 11 AM at Post 126 in Hertford. At this meeting there will be elections for District officers for the 2009 Legion year. Ron Green is again going to be a candidate for District 1 Commander. Let's be there to support our candidate.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apr. 26 – Sat. – Pull bleachers for Hog Fest

May 2 --- Fri. – Set up for Hog Fest

May 3 & 4 – Hog Fest in Historic Edenton

May 5, 12, 19 & 26 – Bingo

May 6 – Post & Unit Reg. Mtgs.

May 10 – Members Breakfast

May 10 – District 1 Mtg.

May 13 – SAL Reg. Mtg. – 6 PM

May 18 – Carson & Barnes Circus

May 20 – Post Executive Comm. Mtg.

May 26 – Memorial Day Service – 11 AM

May 27 – 40/8 Reg. Mtg.

June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 – Bingo

June 3 - Post 40 Family Officer Installation

June 7 – Members Breakfast

June 12 – 15 – Department Convention

June 17 – Post Executive Committee Mtg.

June 24 – 40/8 Reg. Mtg.

American Legion Baseball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location
6/8	Wilson	Hicks Field
6/14	Rocky Mount	Nash Central H.S.
6/16	Ahoskie	Hicks Field
6/18	Greenville 160	South Central H.S.
6/20	Edgecombe	Hicks Field
6/22	Greenville 160	Hicks Field
6/24	Wilson	Flemming Stadium
6/26	Ahoskie	Bertie H.S.
6/28	Greenville 39	Pitt Community College (Double Header starting at 4 PM)
6/30	Rocky Mount	Hicks Field
7/5	Edgecombe	Municipal Stadium, Tarboro
7/10	Playoffs begin with top 4 teams for Division 1 East Champion	