

The American Legion, General Leonard Wood Post 162, Hillsdale NJ



We Are What We Do

Adjutant's NEWSLETTER

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2008 is off to a GREAT START! It is our intention to continue. Commander Horvath wrote the January "Commander's Communique" and plans to write every other month. Adjutant Curran will write the 'Adjutant's Newsletter' on alternate months. Sorry we (I) didn't produce a November or December issue, schedules were overloaded and mostly no-one seemed to miss it since there was no feedback. Have we said that we would like to hear from our members who are not able to attend our monthly meetings? Please e-mail us (if not from home then try your Library, most offer FREE service. Ask the librarian how to send a message if you don't have an e-mail address yourself.

Use "[Legion 162](#)" in the subject so it doesn't get tossed as 'junk'.

SEND TO: adjutant@americanlegionpost162.org

You can also go to: WWW.AMERICANLEGIONPOST162.ORG then see what we have posted there—lots of info and more is being added as fast as we can.

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 6th REGULAR MEETING: YOU WILL SEE A VERY SPECIAL SLIDE SHOW ON LST s (Landing Ship Tank)...IT HAS BEEN CALLED THE SHIP THAT WON THE SECOND WORLD WAR. A Q&A SESSION WILL FOLLOW !
Yes, I Know—This is only for those that can get to the meeting, Sorry. Need a lift? Call us.

UPCOMING EVENTS INFORMATION

The American Legion Jersey Boys State & Girls State

We will vote on the extent of Post 162's participation this year at our February meeting. Last year we sponsored four boys and two girls. It has been proposed to try for three and three this year. This program is open to High School Juniors (11th grade) and we advertise for Hillsdale residents attending the surrounding area schools by contacting the school's Guidance Counselors. This is a one week stay at a college where they have practical experience learning how government works. It is FREE to the participants! We solicit local banks to ask for sponsors and draw from our 'town wide' request for funds to make up the difference.

For those of you out of the area with children in 11th grade—check with the legion post in their area and ask about this program. It is a national program and some go on to Boys or Girls Nation.

Memorial Day Parade and Poster & Essay/Poem Contests

We start this month with the process which decides a theme then asks the 4th and 5th Grade students to draw a poster on the theme and the 6th, 7th & 8th Grade students to write an essay or poem on the theme. The entries are submitted and Post 162 members do the judging) many volunteers are needed for this very interesting task. You will be amazed at the quality and feeling the students put into this project.

Prizes are awarded to the First Place person in each grade of each class in each school!

There are also 'Honorable Mention' prizes.

The parade is on the Memorial Day Holiday and line-up starts 'just AFTER' 10 AM in front of George White School. Cars can be reserved for those who cannot walk the route to the park on Broadway.

~ DATES ~

Regular Meeting:
(First Wednesdays)
Wed 6 Feb, 7:30pm
Exec-Agenda Mtg.:
(Last Wednesdays)
Wed 27 Feb, 7:30pm

BINGO Dates:

• **Thurs, 7th**
January '08

6:45 PM at Paramus Vets Home
Ending by 8:15. We need about a dozen legionnaires to help run each evening, come on over, it's FUN!, for everyone.

SPECIAL EVENT:

'LST' Slide Show
At Regular Meeting
Wednesday
February 6th 2008

2008
Membership
Over 172
members

2008 Membership **OVER-THE-TOP**

104 % as of 30 Jan '08. We have a total 172 paid members. The following numbers are subject to recount: There are 8 members that have not paid their dues for 2008 and are in 'suspended' status, pay \$30 to re-instate. Plus 4 that did not pay 2007 dues and are in 'dropped' status. Pay \$30 to re-join and lose your tenure or pay \$60 (2 years dues) to re-instate. Please act as soon as possible.

Thanks to our membership team of Mike Gela and George De Rosa and our NEW MEMBERS for covering the slack and putting us over-the-top!!!

We thank all our members for their support.

To join or re-instate: send a \$30.00 check, payable to "American Legion Post 162" to American Legion, P.O. Box 162, Hillsdale NJ 07642.

WE need each of you, THANK YOU!

Error Correction—(Oct. 2007)

In the article which began: "Each GOLD STAR worn on your Legion Cap denotes 5 continuous years Membership. The following Post 162 Members reach the following plateau with paid dues in the 2008 season:" The following 4 members were not listed, SORRY!

5 Years: Bonda Bordo, Frank Bordo, Frank Cafaro, Wesley A. DeSilva.

CELL PHONE TELEMARKETING CALLS

It has been brought to my attention that this has come to pass! You may be billed or minutes charged for these call just like any other call (some providers do not start charging until after the first few moments, hang up quick!).

To prevent this, call (from the cell phone) to 1-888-382-1222. It is the National DO NOT CALL list. It blocks that cell number for 5 years.

Pass this information on to others and many can live in peace.

We are saddened to report that
One of Our Fellow Legionnaires
has been called to report
to the Great Commander on high

~

5 yr member

FRANK J. CAFARO
Transferred to Post Everlasting
October 28 2007
May His Soul Rest In Peace

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5 yr member

HARRY SCHAEFER
Transferred to Post Everlasting
November 9th 2007
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6 yr member

DILLMAN S. WILKINS
Transferred to Post Everlasting
January 13th 2008
May His Soul Rest In Peace



Corrections (Oct.2007) - I apologize for misspelling Larry Loeffler, Zoltan Horvath and Garret Pinke; also the date for the October Exec/Agenda meeting was the 31st.; and we had 10 at BINGO.

POPPYS * DONATION DRIVE

We have ordered 8,000 Poppies to hand out to those who donate to our 'Poppy Fund' during May of 2008.

History: 3,000 in 2003; 4,000 in 2004; 5,000 in 2005; 6,000 in 2006; 7,000 in 2007—WOW! You get the picture.

This did take a lot of effort by our members—It will take more members & more effort in 2008!

There will be a 'sign-up' chart at the 'Hut' so please check your calendar and see how many '2 hour' time slots you can cover and which location: A&P, Bagel Stores, Kings, Shoprite. NEEDY VETS need your participation!

MEMBER E-MAIL ADDRESSES

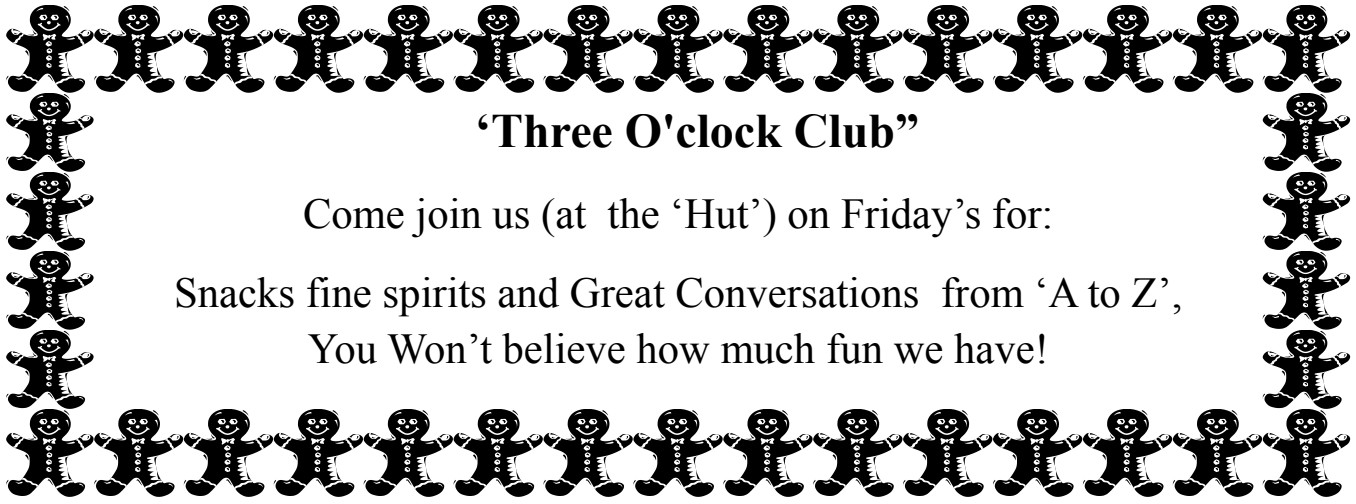
If you will send your e-mail address to the adjutant:
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we will use it to send you the Post 162 "Adjutant's Newsletter" and "Commander's Communiqué" (IN COLOR) and interim Post 162 business notices.

We will send using 'Blind Carbon Copy' so no-one can see your address and we will make every effort to prevent anyone from bombarding you with 'jokes' - unless you ask for them.

BINGO PHOTO ABOVE

January 7th 2008 started the year off GREAT with a TERRIFIC BINGO evening with lots of help. We have had various Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts come and help in the past. This night in addition to 11 Legion Members we also had the Commander's family. The photo shows them with three of the residents. Front Row: resident, Cleo Horvath, resident, Paxton Horvath, Laszlo Horvath, Lexis Horvath, Zoltan Horvath. Back Row: resident, Joe Meyers, Gene McVey, Jack Sadlon, Mike Gela, Peter Philips, Luis Perez, Gabe Marra, Jack Mertz, Kathleen Tureck (Clyde Sain's daughter), George De Rosa, Mrs. Maria Horvath, Rich Curran, Commander Zoltan Horvath.



‘Three O'clock Club’

Come join us (at the ‘Hut’) on Friday’s for:

Snacks fine spirits and Great Conversations from ‘A to Z’,
You Won’t believe how much fun we have!

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

John McCrae

(1872-1918)



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