COMMANDER’S MESSAGE

All Soldiers, Marines and Airman have at least one thing in common...The Selfless Obligation and Sense of duty to this Great Country that we call home. As Veterans and Members of your American Legion this Sense of Duty and participation does not grow any less important over time. Your Commitment to Service is just one of the many purposes as Legionnaires in which we support proudly.

On November 5th the Milton J. Brounshidle American Legion Post 205 opened its doors and hosted a Veterans Open House. Service Organizations were on hand to assist Veterans from all Eras of Service. The feedback we received about this event was that it was an overwhelming success. So much so, that we are already being asked when we will be doing this again.

I must extend a huge “Thank You” to the Open House Committee and all involved in the planning and successful execution of the Open House. Not only were we able to provide assistance to a couple of hundred Veterans who attended this event, but we also welcomed seven (7) new members to the Post 205 family. Great job to all who were involved.

Large Scale Events such as the Open House are very visible in the community. In this case you may have even seen this event on your local evening news? But we are not defined by Infrequent Large Single Events. In the coming year, Post 205 will be working to consistently Reach Out to Veteran and Children’s Organizations in our Community and we are looking for your Ideas and Involvement. Please bring your ideas and expertise to Post meetings (the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm).

It is my wish that You and your Families have a Healthy and Prosperous Holiday Season and an Even Better 2018!

Thank you for your continued service to the Greatest Country in the world! I look forward to meeting each of you in 2018!

May God Continue to Bless America!

Ted Balbierz - Commander
ENTERTAINMENT

Starting on January 2nd, we will be having a social evening on the first Tuesday of each month. We will meet at 7PM and just have a beer and get to know each other, maybe shoot a game or two of pool. This is a good way for new members to get to know the other members in the post. Sometimes you can network with other members that can be helpful in your career. I found a job through a member that lasted 35 years. Please try to join us for a couple of hours of camaraderie.

Wayne Baumgartner-2nd V. Cmdr. Entertainment Chairman

Birthday Wishes to the following
Jan. 3    John O'Connor
Jan. 4    Donald R Mundt
Jan. 6    George Brock, Dennis Woodard
Jan. 11   Douglas Fox
Jan. 16   Richard Rybski
Jan. 18   Dr. John Long
Jan. 19   Scott Gorton, Tom Hastings
Jan. 21   Andrew Rotola
Jan. 22   Thomas Peszko
Jan. 23   Allan Patterson
Jan. 24   Jeffrey Leonard
Feb. 1    Bruce Tirone
Feb. 2    Carl Marranca
Feb. 4    Wayne Baumgartner, Jim Slattery
Feb 6    Tom Lockhaven, Elizabeth Sawin
Feb 8    Steve Gross, Russ Kenjockey
Feb 9    Anthony LaFornara
Feb 10    John Shevlet Jr.
Feb 12    John Traina Jr.
Feb 16    Bill Rowe
Feb 17    George Hertel
Feb. 24   George Dispensa
Feb 26    Patrick Conner, Patrick Cunningham
Feb 27    Scott VanAlstine Sr.
Feb 28    John McCarthy

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1st V. Helen Schalk      874-7084
Sec. Marge Fisher        876-5224
Treas. Amelia Parrish    883-0434
Chaplain Marge Fisher    876-5224
Sgt @ Arms Pauline Bertini 862-9250

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, another year is behind us, They sure are going by fast. May the New Year bring you Prosperity, Good Fortune and above all, Good Health.

At this time I would like to thank everyone who brought a dish to pass at our Christmas Party. I hope everyone who attended enjoyed themselves.

This is also a reminder to pay your 2018 dues if you haven't already. It would be great if we could reach our 100% goal. Thank you in advance for doing this.


World War 1 Exhibit Grand Opening was held at the Buffalo & Erie County Downtown Public Library, 1 Lafayette Sq. It will be there for 2 years. It is worth the visit.

If you know of a member who is sick or in the hospital, please call Chaplain Marge Fisher @ 876-5224 so she can send a card.

God Bless You and keep you all safe and healthy.

Marge Manzella - President
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**WEBSITE UPDATE**

www.legionpost205.org

Look for the new MIA/POW page, featuring James Roza, under POST INFORMATION.

Memorial Sites and Bobby Henline Folders have been added to the PHOTO GALLERY

As always, any comments or suggestions may be submitted to webadmin@kentonpost205.org or call Ray Borawski @ 716-832-8969

A Sick & Welfare page has been added under Post information.

Pictures from the Open House have been added to the Post Gallery.

Ray Borawski

**MEMBERSHIP**

We are at 69% of our goal. We need about 88 Members to renew as of the writing. Please check you current Membership Cards to be sure the date says 2018. Even if you have paid, National may still send a notice, please disregard this notice because they are so behind updating their files. We need to keep up our Membership so we can show National how strong we are.

PC Carl J. Marranca

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