



AMERICAN LEGION POST 27 Farmington, Utah

March, 2011 Newsletter

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE - Jim Hefner: Comrades, Our Post members did one funeral last month, a cold, windy one in Bountiful. We also interviewed the Boys State candidates at NUAMES and Davis High. Our Post members got to see the National and Department Commanders at the American Legion Birthday dinner at the Ogden Veterans Home on March 5th. We were well represented. The Farmington Cemetery Veteran's Memorial is in the bid process, and ground breaking could be the end of this month. I invite and encourage you to come to the next meeting on March 10th.

Post Officer elections are in April, and we are taking nominations. If you are interested, please contact me (801) 940-1211 or Paula (801) 444-7189. Serving in a leadership position can be very rewarding. Training for all positions is being scheduled through our Department, which is new for 2011.

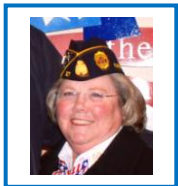
POST BUSINESS / INFORMATION

American Legion Boys State and Oratorical Contest: 2nd Vice Cdr. William Huber: Our winner at the District 2 Oratorical Competition, Travis Crowe (NUAMES), competed at state level on February 12th in Salt Lake City. The competition was very impressive. Angellica Lopez from Bingham High will be advancing to Nationals in April. We wish her the best of luck in representing Utah for the American Legion.

Boys State is scheduled for June 6-11, 2011. Interviews at NUAMES were held last week, Davis High this week, and Viewmont High to be scheduled in the next week or two. Students who will have completed their junior year of high school and have at least one more semester of high school left to complete are eligible for Boys or Girls State. Please forward candidate information to me at William.a.huber@comcast.net. All candidates must be interviewed by local Posts before the applications can go forward. ***The deadline for applications and fees is April 1, 2011.*** Last year, all eleven students sponsored by Post 27 received scholarships from Weber State University. Legionnaires who wish to participate as full or part time counselors, please contact me. This is a great and rewarding opportunity for you, as well as the students.

New Members: A hearty welcome from Post 27 to our newest member and new American Legion member David Layton from Bountiful, (Viet Nam Era to Post 9/11 period/U.S. Army). We have already seen him at meetings, the District 2 Oratorical Competition as a time keeper, and participation in Military Funeral Honors. His wonderful wife, Kathy, was one of the judges for the Oratorical Competition. Thanks again.

Adjutant Paula Stephenson:



If you need the newsletter to be in BIGGER PRINT, please let me know. I can easily do it for the few that need it.

Attached is the information about our Department of Utah Convention, June 24-26, in Park City.

We are trying to broaden our horizons (literally) for some of our Post meetings. December will be our Christmas Party at the same location as last year, September will be a picnic in the

Farmington area, and April we want someplace interesting. Any ideas? Call me at 801-444-7189 or email at stphnsnc@aol.com. Thanks.

Finance Officer-Post 27/Commander, District 2 John Sheets:



Comrades, over the past two years we have had the great advantage of having the donation of a number of United States flags. We were able to receive donations for the flags, allowing us to use the funds for multipurpose in our Post. I have just received additional U.S. flags which will help us maintain a positive cash flow for several months. I will provide an inventory report of the numbers of flags in our possession If you know of businesses that need a flag, we have several large 8'x11' flags and smaller 3'x5' flags suitable for home use. A donation for the flags will be \$5 to \$10 for

the 3x5 flags and more for the larger flags. A number of the flags went to Scout units for fund raiser purposes in neighborhood display of flags on patriotic holidays, which benefited the Scout organizations as well as the Post. Contact me at (801) 628-9370.

Sergeant-At-Arms Frank Lennartz: This month we are adding yellow-gold ascots with American Legion emblems to our Military Honor Guard and Color Guard uniforms. We will try to get some photos. It is hard to compete with other Posts who have regular sources of income where the Post buys complete uniforms, so we do what we can. We always look sharp and represent Post 27 and the American Legion very well.

Training Officer Paula Stephenson:



Bronze medallions (5-inch, 3-inch, 1 ½ inch) for civilian headstones signifying a deceased's status as a Veteran are now available. Information and an application (VA Form 40-1330) are available at www.va.gov > Veterans Services > Burials & Memorials > Headstones & Markers. If you do not have access to a computer, please contact me at (801)444-7189, and I will mail you the application and instructions. If you need help, we have volunteers that can assist you. **NOTE: A sample will be on display at our regular meetings throughout the winter.**

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Thursday, March. 10th, 6:30 pm, Rm 114, Davis County Courthouse, Farmington

CALENDAR OF EVENTS/DATES OF INTEREST:

- Mar 10 - Post 27 Monthly Meeting, 6:30 P.M., Davis County Courthouse, Room 114, Farmington
- Mar 12 - District 2 Meeting, 10:00 A.M., Layton Post 87, 128 S. Main, Layton, all are welcome.
- Mar 14 - World War II Speaker Series, Salt Lake City Library, 7:00 P.M., Auditorium; 6:30 P.M. Big Band music, Speaker Roy Stapp, Air Force pilot—50 missions - Europe
- Apr 1 - Deadline for Boys and Girls State applications
- Apr 11 - World War II Speaker Series, Salt Lake City Library, 7:00 P.M., Auditorium, 6:30 P.M. Big Band music, Speaker Paul Huber, 9th Infantry Division, Europe
- Apr 14 - Post 27 Monthly Meeting, 6:30 P.M., Davis County Courthouse, Room 114, Farmington or another location to be determined
- Jun 24-26 - Dept. of Utah Annual Convention, Park City at Newpark Resort & Hotel (Kimball Junction)



Cdr Hefner, Oratorical Winner Travis Crowe, Runner-up Deanna Dotta, District 2 Cdr Sheets

District Oratorical winners with Post 27 and Post 134



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