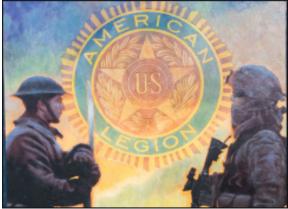


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For God and Country

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CALENDAR

September 19, 2020 POW/MIA Silent March

November 11, 2020 Veterans Day

January 19, 2021

Next Scheduled Membership Meeting

February 27, 2021 Chili Cook-Off

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Greetings, I hope this letter finds you all in good health. I would like to start by thanking Commander Larry Lewens for his service to our Post as Commander and his continued service as Executive Board President. Job well done, Hand Salute.

This year has created a lot of challenges for our Post mainly as to how we conduct meetings and elections of officers. This year we conducted our first virtual election (see the chart on the right) Thank You Bill Erickson for running the election.

We are extremely fortunate to have Adjutant / IT Manager Paul Ciarelli as a member of Post 21, he has created a world class website for our post that has made it where we can post our events, advertise businesses and it has helped increase our hall rentals. Paul is also working on a virtual newsletter for the members, so if you are email active please send your email address to <u>adjutant@alpost21.com</u>

> Thomas J. Visintainer Sr. Commander

PAST COMMANDERS MESSAGE

Congratulations on your election Commander, please convey my best wishes to Crystal Carter, Phil Morris Steve Tindall, and Bill Dones on their elections as well and all the new people on the Executive Board. On a more personal note, thank you Tom, Crystal, Phil, and Dave for your support, guidance and friendship this past year. Paul Ciarelli your friendship and the work you put in to grow the Post makes me proud to be a member of Post 21. To the membership of Post 21, thank you for your support this difficult year. For God and Country

> Larry Lewens Past Commander

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

\$3.33 cents per month. It doesn't sound like much, but now, maybe more than ever, membership dues play a vital role in the operations of not only Post 21, but of our state and national organizations as well. Everyone's budgets are strained due to loss of income. Here at Post 21, while 58 Below is back in operation, that is not a sure thing. Hall Rentals are trickling in, but we are not getting nearly as many requests as we have in the past 6 months. Our income is not what it was that short time ago. You can help out by getting new members, choosing PUFL (Paid Up for Life), or donating your services.

ARE YOU PAID UP FOR 2021?

If you already paid your dues THANK YOU. If you have not paid your dues, please consider doing so in the next couple of weeks.

Crystal Carter 1st Vice Commander / Membership

FROM THE ADJUTANT

WE'RE CHANGING THE WAY WE COMMUNICATE.

Newsletters and most other matter that used to be mailed will now be sent via email. Why, because a typical mailing costs almost \$200 and up to 10 hours of volunteer time. We hope you agree that those resources would be better spent on our primary mission of helping veterans.

However, we WILL NOT leave you in the cold. If you truly are not internet active, come to a meeting, or contact us some other way and we'll work it out.

If you did not receive any newsletters or information about the upcoming elections since the beginning of the year, then you need to do one of two things:

1) Check to make sure that our emails are not going into your junk mail folder,

2) we need to get your email updated.

The best place to update your email is in the myLegion.org database. If you can't log in to <u>www.myLegion.org</u>, please contact us with your email address by coming to a meeting, by mail, or by leaving a message on the post voicemail (262-657-7464) and we will update it for you.

Ladies Auxiliary meets the 4th Tuesday of every month 7:00 PM at Post 21 For membership information Please contact President Donna Lewens: <u>dlewens@outlook.com</u> <u>Unit 21 Elections will be at the next meeting!</u>

> Sons of the American Legion meet on the 3rd Wednesday of every month. SAL Commander Elijah D. Boger

TAPS -LET US NEVER FORGET

Jon Sutter Marines, Past Commander, March 2020

Mike Duczak SAL, Untiring Volunteer January 2020

The American Legion Paul Herrick Post 21, Kenosha, WI 504 58th Street - (262) 262-657-7464

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Adjutant

Paul Ciarelli - <u>adjutant@alpost21.com</u> or <u>socialmgr@alpost21.com</u> Another good way is to use the "Contact Form" on our website, <u>https://www.alpost21.com</u>. You can also send email to anyone of us by using the address to the left. Concerning myLegion.org, you will not regret signing up because of all the great information for members.

I hope to meet you at the next meeting. I'm getting tired of the same old Sea/War stories!

Paul Ciarelli Adjutant

One more thing: There must be someone out there interested in writing articles for the website! We use Word

press, or you can send submissions to me.

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