



Newsletter

September 2002 Manny Bacon Post 1758

News from Last Meeting

Welcome to our first monthly newsletter. These will be mailed out each month.

Let's get those membership renewals in. Its time to re-up! Let's get 100 %. So far we have 1 new member, 16 renewals and 8 paid up for life.

The commander Highly recommends any one who hasn't registered for the use of the VA Hospital to do so. Those who are registered al ready please try and use the medical facilities and programs available.

The fear is that if we don't use it we will lose it.

The post sent a card signed by all members in attendance at the September meeting to Mr. Bill Mauldin. Any member not at the meeting is encouraged to send a card of their own. (See story below)

A motion was made to put all monies generated thus far by the sale of 50/50 tickets into the building fund. Motion was seconded and carried.

A motion was made to sell poppies on Veterans Day at a place to be determined at a future date.

Motion was seconded and carried.

We have to thank some of the local business for allowing us to sell the 50/50 tickets. We thank the following stores.

R L Lake Deli on Beekman Rd

Stop & Shop on Beekman Rd

CVS Pharmacy on Rte 82

There was also some discussion as to why it is A&P gives us such a hard time. They will not allow us to solicit unless we have liability insurance. When we tell them we don't have any, they insist we have to have it. I personally got the feeling they didn't want us there even if we had it.

Just something to think about when you're deciding where you're going to shop.

A reminder that we have a brand new commander and he needs ALL our support.

The Adjutant reported that we should be receiving a check from the on line mall at our web site. More on that in the future.

Sadly I must report the transfer of John Ryan to post everlasting.

Please Help

The Famous World War 2 cartoonist Bill Mauldin is in a nursing home and is very ill. His cognitive functions are barely working. According to family members the one thing that cheers him up is hearing from World War 2 vets, the men for whom he drew those magnificent cartoons. The cartoons were always portrayed from the average GI's point of view. As you can Guess he caught allot of flack from high-ranking brass that wanted the cartoons in Stars and Stripes to paint a

rosier picture of the war. Bill refused and the guys in the trenches loved him for it. Now its time to put a smile on Bills face the same way he put smiles on GI's faces during there darkest hours. Please take a minute and send Bill a thank you card and if you're a WW2 era vet maybe a little note how one of his cartoons of Willie and Joe in Stars and Stripes made you laugh or smile.

Send cards to:

Bill Mauldin

c/o

Gordon Dillow

625 N. Grand Ave

Santa Ana CA 92701

Summer Fund Raising

The post sold 50/50 tickets over the summer and has so far raised several hundred dollars. The prize is half the money raised through ticket sales.

The drawing will take place at the community day carnival. We will have a table set up to sell tickets before the drawing. So if you're going to be at the event come by say hi and pull up a chair. We will be there all day. So far we raised \$197.00 in out right donations and \$500.00 in 50/50 tickets sold. (\$250.00 our half) \$447.00 total so far.

Officers Elected

New National officers were elected Aug 29th 2002

The new National Commanders name is Ronald F Conley from Pittsburgh PA.

He is an Air Force, Vietnam era veteran.

Our new County Commander is Peter Pavlic

The post Commander is John Lyons

1st Vice Commander is Joe Ryan.

Did You Know You Were A Recruiter?

We are all recruiters. The membership is our best source for getting new members. Getting new members is one of the greatest contributions to the post a legionnaire can make. If you know of any Family members or friends who are eligible please have them look into joining. New members have got to be our number 1 priority.

New Navy Ship Named USS New York

*The Navy announced that its next amphibious assault ship would be named the U.S.S New York to honor those killed on Sept 11.
The San Antonio class ships cost 800 million.
The USS New York is scheduled to enter service in 2006.*

*That's it for this month, As always our web site remains
"<http://americanlegion1758.tripod.com/index.htm>"*

*Hope to see you at the next meeting!
For God and Country*