

**Sons Of The American Legion
Detachment Of Wisconsin
40th Annual Convention Minutes Sat. 2008**

THE 40TH ANNUAL CONVENTION HELD AT THE La CROSSE CONVENTION CENTER (ZEILKE SUITE) IN La CROSSE, WI. WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY THE DETACHMENT COMMANDER KIRK D. HOVE WITH THE PROPER OPENNING CEREMONY AT 9:00 A.M. JULY 19, 2008.

Roll Call Of Officers

TAKEN BY THE DETACHMENT ADJUTANT MICHAEL L. LAWLER

DETACHMENT	COMMANDER	KIRK D. HOVE	(158)	P
“	VICE COMM.	KERRY L. SEVERSON	(245)	P
“	VICE COMM.	ELLIOTT W. JOHNSON	(158)	P
“	VICE COMM.	MARVIN E. JOHNSON	(158)	P
“	VICE COMM.	RON HENDERSON	(336)	P
“	FINANCE	DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH	(406)	P
“	CHAPLAIN	RONALD F. FAUST	(245)	P
“	SGT.-AT-ARMS	RODNEY P. FALL	(108)	P
“	SGT.-AT-ARMS	COLIN MELTESEN	(129)	P
“	N.E.C. MAN	LAWRENCE A. RICE	(449)	P
“	ALT. N.E.C. MAN	PATRICK N. GRYSKIEWICZ	(093)	P
“	ADJUTANT	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
“	ASST. ADJUTANT	GARY LEE LEROY	(294)	P
“	HISTORIAN	STEVEN M. GRAIG	(051)	E
“	EDITOR	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
“	JUDGE ADVOCATE	STEVEN C. CHAMPENY	(209)	P
“	ASSIST. JUDGE ADV.	THOMAS A. KNOX	(449)	E
DEPARTMENT	COMMANDER	DAVE KURTZ		E
“	CHAIRMAN	DALE VANNES		P
“	COMMITTEEMAN	WAYNE CHRISTENSEN		E
“	COMMITTEEMAN	MARTY CZARNECKI		E
“	LIAISON	ROBERT STONE		E
S.A.L.	LIAISON	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P
“	COMMITTEEMAN	KIRK D. HOVE	(158)	P
“	COMMITTEEMAN	MICHAEL L. LAWLER	(437)	P

Past Detachment Commanders Present

KIRK D. HOVE, DENNIS F, STOCKFISCH, MICHAEL WAGONER, LAWRENCE A. RICE, MICHAEL L. LAWLER, STEVEN C. CHAMPENY, PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ,

Roll Call Of Squadrons

18 MILWAUKEE , 38 APPLETON, 48 BELOIT, 52 LA CROSSE, 93 TOMAHAWK, 108 CLEAR LAKE, 117 SHAWANO, 121 RIVER FALLS, 129 BLACK RIVER FALLS, 158 MAIDEN ROCK, 189 WATERTOWN, 209 ORFORDVILLE, 214 DARLINGTON, 245 CROSS PLAINS, 294 HARTLAND, 313 BLACK EARTH, 336 ONALASKA, 406 GENERAL KING, 416 GREENDALE, 437 MAZOMANIE, 449 BROOKFIELD, 481 WAUNAKEE

BY SQUADRON A QUORUM WAS REPORTED PRESENT BY ADJUTANT LAWLER

Roll Call District Chairman

FIRST DISTRICT			V
SECOND DISTRICT			V
THIRD DISTRICT	DANIEL OASEN	(481)	p
FOURTH DISTRICT	RUSSELL EVERSON	(018)	P
FIFTH DISTRICT			V
SIXTH DISTRICT			V
SEVENTH DISTRICT	MICHAEL CHRISTIANSON	(052)	P
EIGHTH DISTRICT	DALE VANNES	(117)	P
NINTH DISTRICT			V
TENTH DISTRICT	KARL ADANK	(158)	P
ELEVENTH DISTRICT	PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ	(093)	P
TWELFTH DISTRICT	ROBERT DANIELSON	(108)	E

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Reading Of The Past D.E.C. Minutes

MINUTES FROM THE PRE-D.E.C. MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 8/18/08 WERE PRESENTED AND READ BY THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GARY LEE LEROY, MOTION WAS MADE FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES BY, STEVEN CHAMPENY (209), SECONDED BY RON HENDERSON (336), MOTION PASSED.

Rules Of The Convention

STANDING RULES OF THE CONVENTION AND UNIFORM CODE OF PROCEDURE WERE TO BE READ BY THE VICE COMMANDER RON HENDERSON (336), MOTION WAS MADE BY THE JUDGE ADVOCATE STEVEN CHAMPENY (209) TO SUSPEND THE READING OF THE RULES AND CODE OF PROCEDURE AS THEY ARE PUBLISHED AND DISTRIBUTED TO THE BODY, SECONDED BY RICHARD SHAW (052), MOTION PASSED.

Guest To The Convention

MARTIN F. CONASTER - NATIONAL DEPARTMENT COMMANDER FROM ILL.
SHARON COASTER – WIFE TO NATIONAL COMMANDER.
DAVID C. GOUGH – WIS. NATIONAL N.E.C. MAN
DENNIS BLUE FROM MINNESOTA - CANDIDATE FOR NATIONAL VICE COMMANDER CENTRAL REGION
LAURA BLUE WIFE OF DENNIS BLUE
MICHAEL WAGONER – SQUADRON /POST (52)- DEPARTMENT CONVENTION CHAIRMAN
BILLY ENTRINGER – 2008 BADGER BOYS STATE GOVERNOR
AMANDA KAVAJECZ AND TODD KAVAJECZ – 2008 JR. SHOOTERS
BIANCA AND DEVIN NELSON – COLORING CONTEST WINNERS.

GUESTS IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE

MICHAEL WAGONER – GAVE GREETINGS AND WELCOME TO THE DETACHMENT, HIS TEAM OF WORKERS LEGION, AUX. AND S.A.L. HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD TO MAKE EVERYTHING RUN SMOOTH FOR THE CONVENTION AND THAT IF YOU SEE ONE OF HIS TEAM EXTEND A THANK YOU TO THEM. THERE HAS BEEN TALK THAT CONVENTIONS MAY BE FOR FIVE YEAR STRETCHES IN THE SAME CITY. NEXT YEARS (2009) CONVENTION WILL BE IN MILWAUKEE WISCONSIN. THE SATURDAY NIGHT EVENT IS SET UP FOR TIME SPENT AT THE RIVERSIDE WATER PARK, DEPENDENT ON THE AMOUNT OF MEMBERS THAT SHOW UNLIMITED USE OF THE MINIATURE GOLF COURSE, 3 LEVELS OF GO CARTING AND OTHER INTERESTING FUNCTIONS ARE POSSIBLE. IF IT SHOULD LOOK LIKE RAIN BOWLING IS POSSIBLE FOR THE PLA-MOR LANES.

DENNIS BLUE – LEADING CANDIDATE FOR NATIONAL VICE COMMANDER CENTRAL EXTENDED GREETINGS AND WELL WISHES TO THE DETACHMENT AND NOTED HE WOULD WORK CLOSELY WITH CANDIDATE FOR NATIONAL COMMANDER TOMMIE CISNA, THEIR GOALS FOR NEXT YEAR WOULD BE TO ACHIEVE ALL TARGET DATES AND MEET 100% REPORT FORMS HE STRESSED THAT THE REPORT FORM IS VERY IMPORTANT TO FILL OUT. YOUR DETACHMENT DISTRICT COMMANDERS SHOULD HELP AND AIDE THE SQUADRONS IN COMPLETING AND HAVE THE REPORT FORM DONE AND SUBMITTED. COMMANDER HOVE PRESENTED MR. BLUE WITH A DETACHMENT PIN.

MARTIN CONASTER – ADDRESSED THE DETACHMENT NOTING THAT THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION ARE AN IMPORTANT ORGANIZATION IN SUPPORT OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND THAT THEY HAVE REACHED A HIGH CREDITABILITY AND PARTNERSHIP OF THE S.A.L THRU A LOT OF HARD WORK AND PROFESSIONALISM OF ITS MEMBERS. THIS ADDS TO THE INCREASED GROWTH OF THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY AND THEIR PROFESSIONALISM AS A TRUE FAMILY UNIT. ALL OF THE PROGRAMS THAT THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY DEALS WITH AND SUPPORTS ARE TRULY THE GREAT PART OF AMERICA. WE STILL NEED TO KEEP EVERYONE INFORMED AND KEEP LOOKING TO THE FUTURE.

COMMANDER HOVE PRESENTED THE COMMANDER WITH A CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION, STATE PIN AND 75TH PORTFOLIO.

BILLY ENTRINGER – BADGER BOYS STATE GOVERNOR THANKED THE DETACHMENT FOR THEIR SUPPORT; COMMANDER HOVE PRESENTED THE BBS GOV. WITH A STATE PIN AND 75TH PORTFOLIO.

AMANDA AND TODD KAVAJECZ – JR. SHOOTERS THANKED THE DETACHMENT FOR THEIR SUPPORT; COMMANDER HOVE PRESENTED BOTH OF THE JR. SHOOTERS WITH A STATE PIN AND 75TH PORTFOLIO.

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Credentials

CHAIRMAN DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH REPORTED THAT BY TALLY THERE WERE 40 DELEGATES REGISTERED AND THAT IT WOULD TAKE 21 TO ELECT.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT BY RICHARD SHAW (052), SECONDED BY KERRY SEVERSON (245), FROM DISCUSSION REPORT WAS AMENDED TO ALLOW FOR THE ADDITION OF A LATE DELEGATE ARRIVAL 41 DELEGATES PRESENT 22 TO ELECT. ALSO MR. STOCKFISCH NOTED THAT THE DETACHMENT MEMBERSHIP WAS 3003 AND BASED ON THIS AND THE NEW STRUCTURE FROM NATIONAL THE DETACHMENT IS ALLOWED 9 DELEGATES AND ONE AT LARGE. THE OUT GOING, INCOMING COMMANDER, ADJUTANT AND N.E.C. MAN ARE AUTOMATIC, BY DISTRICT (500+ MEMBERSHIP) ONE, THREE AND SEVEN ARE ALLOWED ONE EACH THIS LEAVES TWO DELEGATES TO ELECT FROM FLOOR WITH SIX ALTERNATE DELEGATES. MOTION PASSED.

Convention Committee Appointments

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE APPOINTED BY COMMANDER HOVE AS CHAIRMAN / MEMBER:

AMERICANISM	ERIC TORSTENSON / BOB HOFFMAN
CHILDREN AND YOUTH	ELLIOTT JOHNSON / RON HENDERSON
CONSTITUTION BY-LAWS / RESOLUTIONS	DENNIS STOCKFISCH / GARY LEROY/ STEVE
CHAMPENY	
FINANCE	DENNIS STOCKFISCH / GARY LEROY / STEVE
	CHAMPENY
MEMBERSHIP	STEVEN CHAMPENY / RICHARD SHAW / KERRY
	SEVERSON
VETERAN AFFAIRS	RODNEY FALL / KELLY POWERS / JOE HULMGER
CREDENTIALS CHAIRMAN	DENNIS STOCKFISCH

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE APPOINTMENTS BY KARL ADANK (158), SECONDED BY RICHARD SHAW (052), MOTION PASSED.

COMMANDER HOVE APPOINTED THE ELECTION COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AS STEVE CHAMPENY, HE IN TURN SELECTED HIS ELECTIONS TELLERS, DAVID BLUE AND MIKE POOK.

MOTION WAS MADE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE APPOINTMENTS BY RICHARD SHAW (052), SECONDED BY PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ (093), MOTION PASSED.

COMMANDER HOVE CALLED FOR A RECESS UNTIL 10:30.
SESSION RECONVENED BY COMMANDER HOVE AT 10:30.

Special Order Of Business (Elections)

COMMANDER HOVE TURNED THE PODIUM OVER TO ELECTIONS CHAIRMAN STEVEN CHAMPENY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ELECTIONS. CHAIRMAN CHAMPENY INTRODUCED HIS ELECTION TELLERS IF THEY ARE NEEDED, MIKE POOK AND DENNIS BLUE. CREDENTIALS REPORTED AN UP DATE THERE WERE 44 DELEGATES PRESENT; IT WOULD TAKE 23 TO ELECT.

Commander

WITH KIRK D. HOVE (158) HAVING ANNOUNCED HIS CANDIDACY, NOMINATIONS WERE CALLED FOR FROM THE FLOOR,. NO OTHER NOMINATIONS WERE PRESENTED, MOTION WAS MADE BY SQUAD. 52 TO CLOSE NOMINATIONS, SECONDED BY SQUAD 449 MOTION PASSED. MOTION WAS MADE BY SQUAD. (449) THAT KIRK D. HOVE BE ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION, SECONDED BY SQUAD, 52, MOTION PASSED, KIRK D. HOVE BY ACCLAMATION WAS ELECTED AS WISCONSIN DETACHMENT COMMANDER FOR THE 2008/2009 YEAR.

Vice Commanders (4 Required)

WITH THE ANNOUNCED CANDIDACY'S OF RICHARD SHAW, KERRY SEVERSON, ERIC TORSTENSON AND RON HENDERSON, NOMINATIONS WERE CALLED FOR FROM THE FLOOR KELLY POWERS, KEN DRURY AND DAVID BLAZER WERE SUBMITTED. MOTION WAS MADE BY SQUAD. (48), TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS, SECONDED BY SQUAD. (449). MOTION PASSED. CAUCUS TIME WAS ALLOWED AND BALLOTS PASSED OUT BY FINAL BALLOT VOTE THE FOLLOWING WERE ELECTED TO THE OFFICES OF VICE COMMANDER FOR THE DETACHMENT OF WIS. KERRY SEVERSON, RON HENDERSON, ERIC TORSTENSON AND DAVID BLAZER.

MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED TO DESTROY THE BALLOTS.

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Finance Officer

WITH THE CANDIDATE OF DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH BEING ANNOUNCED NOMINATIONS WERE CALLED FOR FROM THE FLOOR, NONE WERE SUBMITTED. WITH NO OTHER NOMINATIONS MOTION WAS MADE BY SQUAD. (52) TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND ELECT DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH BY ACCLAMATION TO THE OFFICE OF FINANCE OFFICER, SECONDED BY SQUAD. (158), MOTION PASSED.

Chaplain

WITH KARL ADANK, RONALD FAUST AND STEVE EDBERG BEING ANNOUNCED AS CANDIDATES NOMINATIONS WERE CALLED FOR FROM THE FLOOR, NONE WERE PRESENTED. MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED AND MOVED TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS. CAUCUS TIME WAS ALLOWED AND BALLOTS PASSED OUT BY FINAL BALLOT VOTE RONALD FAUST WAS ELECTED AS DETACHMENT CHAPLAIN. MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED TO DESTROY THE BALLOTS.

Sergeant-At-Arms (2 Req'd.)

WITH COLIN MELTESEN BEING ANNOUNCED AS A CANDIDATE, NOMINATIONS WERE CALLED FOR FROM THE FLOOR. RODNEY FALL WAS SUBMITTED (ACCEPTED) RICHARD SHAW (ACCEPTED), WITH NO OTHER NOMINATIONS MOTION WAS MADE TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND VOTE BY BALLOT, SECONDED, MOTION PASSED. CAUCUS TIME WAS ALLOWED AND BALLOTS PASSED OUT, BY FINAL BALLOT VOTE THE FOLLOWING WERE ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF SGT-AT-ARMS, RODNEY FALL AND COLIN MELTESEN.

MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED TO DESTROY THE BALLOTS.

N.E.C. Man

WITH LAWRENCE A. RICE AND PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ BEING ANNOUNCED AS CANDIDATES NOMINATIONS WERE CALLED FOR FROM THE FLOOR, NONE WERE PRESENTED. MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED AND MOVED TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS. CAUCUS TIME WAS ALLOWED AND BALLOTS PASSED OUT BY FINAL BALLOT VOTE LAWRENCE A. RICE WAS ELECTED AS N.E.C. MAN.

MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED AND PASSED TO DESTROY THE BALLOTS.

Alt N.E.C. Man

WITH NO CANDIDATES BEING ANNOUNCED NOMINATIONS WERE CALLED FOR FROM THE FLOOR, PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ WAS SUBMITTED (ACCEPTED) AND WITH NO OTHER NOMINATIONS WERE PRESENTED, MOTION WAS MADE TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND ELECT PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ BY ACCLAMATION TO THE OFFICE OF ALTERNATE N.E.C. MAN, SECONDED, MOTION PASSED.

Delegates To The National Convention

CHAIRMAN STEVEN CHAMPENY NOTED THAT THE DETACHMENT WAS ALLOWED A TOTAL OF 9 DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION PLUS ONE AT LARGE FOR A TOTAL OF 10. AUTOMATICALLY THE INCOMING COMMANDER KIRK HOVE // ADJUTANT MICHAEL L. LAWLER AND N.E.C. MAN LAWRENCE A. RICE WOULD BE EXPECTED TO ATTEND. THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS ARE ALLOWED TO PLACE DELEGATES EACH BASED ON THEIR MEMBERSHIP, DISTRICT (1) (3) (7), THE DELEGATE AT LARGE WILL BE (PAST NATIONAL COMMANDER DAVID FAUST (245).

FROM ALLOWED CAUCUS TIME THE FOLLOWING WERE SUBMITTED BY DISTRICT AS DELEGATES:
1ST THOMAS A. KNOX (449), 3RD KERRY SEVERSON (245) 7TH RICHARD SHAW (052).

THIS LEAVES 2 DELEGATES TO BE NOMINATED FROM THE FLOOR, THE FOLLOWING WERE NOMINATED, DAN OASEN, DENNIS F. STOCKFISCH, ALL ACCEPTED. MOTION WAS MADE BY MICHAEL LAWLER (437) TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND ELECT BY ACCLAMATION ALL THE ABOVE NAMED MEMBERS AS CONVENTION DELEGATES SECONDED BY RICHARD SHAW (052), MOTION PASSED.

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Alternate Delegates

CHAIRMAN STEVEN CHAMPENY NOTED THAT THE FOLLOWING DISTRICTS ARE ALLOWED TO PLACE ALT. DELEGATES EACH BASED ON THEIR MEMBERSHIP, DISTRICT (1) (3) (7).

FROM ALLOWED CAUCUS TIME THE FOLLOWING WERE SUBMITTED BY DISTRICT AS ALT. DELEGATES:

1ST GARY LEE LE ROY (294), 3RD RUSS SEVERSON (313), 7TH RON HENDERSON (336).

THIS LEAVES 6 DELEGATES TO BE NOMINATED FROM THE FLOOR, THE FOLLOWING WERE NOMINATED, KELLY POWERS, TIM HANSON (052) TOM ENDRES (481), RODNEY FALL (108) , STEVEN CHAMPENY (209), DAVID RULAND (481). ALL ACCEPTED. MOTION WAS MADE BY RICHARD SHAW (052) TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND ELECT BY ACCLAMATION ALL THE ABOVE NAMED MEMBERS AS ALT. CONVENTION DELEGATES SECONDED BY KEN DRURY (336), MOTION PASSED.

District Chairman Appointments

ALL DISTRICTS WERE ALLOWED CAUCUS TIME TO EVALUATE A SELECTION FOR THEIR DISTRICT, THE FOLLOWING WERE NOMINATIONS SUBMITTED BY DISTRICT:

(3) DAN OASEN (481), (4) RUSS EVERSON (018), (7) KEN DRURY (336), (8) DALE VANNES (117), (10) KARL ADANK (158), (11) PATRICK *ALPHABET* GRYSKIEWICZ (093), (12) ROBERT DANIELSON (108), (13) DENNIS BLUE (MN.) ALL ACCEPTED. (1,2,5,6,9 NONE SUBMITTED).

WITH NO OTHER NOMINATIONS MOTION WAS MADE BY DENNIS STOCKFISCH (406) TO CLOSE THE NOMINATIONS AND APPOINT BY ACCLAMATION ALL THE ABOVE NAMED MEMBERS AS DISTRICT CHAIRMAN, SECONDED BY LAWRENCE RICE (449), MOTION PASSED.

WITH THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS CHAIRMAN STEVEN CHAMPENY RETURNED THE PODIUM TO COMMANDER KIRK D. HOVE.

Awards

THE FOLLOWING SQUADRONS WERE PRESENTED WITH THE NATIONAL CITATIONS OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR MEMBERSHIP STATUS BY THE AMERICAN LEGION BIRTHDAY: MILWAUKEE (18), APPLETON (38), BELOIT (48), COLUMBUS (62), CLINTONVILLE (63), NEILSVILLE (73), MONROE (84), OCONOMOWOC (91), CLEAR LAKE (108), ELROY (115), SHAWANO (117), RIVER FALLS (121), BLACK RIVER FALLS (129), SAINT CROIX FALLS (143), MADISON (151), WESTBY (155), GLENWOOD CITY (168), NORTH FREEDOM (172), GENOA CITY (183), WATERTOWN (189), DELAFIELD (196), MILWAUKEE (203), SOLDIERS GROVE (220), CROSS PLAINS (245), POYNETTE (271), HOLMEN (284), CEDARBURG (288), HARTLAND (294), OCONTO FALLS (302), JOHNSON CREEK (305), ONALASKA (336), ALMOND (339), GRAFTON (355), MUKWONAGO (375), VERONA (385), PLYMOUTH (387), FRENCH ISLAND (417), BARNEVELD (433), MAZOMANIE (437), MADISON (501), HUBERTUS (522), MC FARLAND (534), MILWAUKEE (537), CARLTON (538).

THE FOLLOWING SQUADRONS WERE PRESENTED WITH CERTIFICATES OF DEDICATION 100% BY CONVENTION: WEST SALEM (051), COLUMBUS (62), CLINTONVILLE (63), ELROY (115), SAINT CROIX FALLS (143), WAUSAUKEE (151), MADISON (151), WESTBY (155), MAIDEN ROCK (158), DELAFIELD (196), MILWAUKEE (203), GRAND MARSH (273), OCONTO FALLS (302), BLACK EARTH (313), BOYD (326), GRAFTON (355), VERONA (385), FRANKLIN (387), GREENDALE (416), BARNEVELD (433), MAZOMANIE (437), F.D. ROOSEVELT (444), MADISON (481).

THE FOLLOWING SQUADRONS WERE PRESENTED WITH THE DETACHMENT CITATIONS OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL TIME HIGH MEMBERSHIP: WABENO (44), BELOIT (48), COLUMBUS (62), CLINTONVILLE (63), NEILLSVILLE (73), OCONOMOWOC (91), CLEAR LAKE (108), THORP (118), RIVER FALLS (121), BLACK RIVER FALLS (129), WAUSAUKEE (150), WATERTOWN (189), DELAFIELD (196), DARLINGTON (214), SOLDIERS GROVE (220), CROSS PLAINS (245), POYNETTE (271), GRAND MARSH (273), CEDARBURG (288), HARTLAND (294), OCONTO FALLS (302), JOHNSON CREEK (305), BLACK EARTH (313), ALMOND (339), GRAFTON (355), MUKWONAGO (375), VERONA (385), MAZOMANIE (437), MADISON (481), HUBERTUS (522), MC FARLAND (534), CARLTON (538).

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THE FOLLOWING SQUADRONS WERE PRESENTED WITH THE DETACHMENT CERTIFICATE OF LOYALTY AND PERSEVERANCE IN MEMBERSHIP 105% BY CONVENTION: GERMANTOWN (001), MILWAUKEE (18), APPLETON (38), WABENO (44), BELOIT (48), NEILLSVILLE (73), MONROE (84), OCONOMOWOC (91), SPARTA (100), CLEAR LAKE (108), SHAWANO (117), RIVER FALLS (121), BLACK RIVER FALLS (129), HORICON(157), GLENWOOD CITY (168), NORTH FREEDOM (172), GENOA CITY (183), WATERTOWN (189), DARLINGTON (214), SOLDIERS GROVE (220), CROSS PLAINS (245), POYNETTE (271), HOLMEN (284), CEDARBURG (288), HARTLAND (294), JOHNSON CREEK (305), ONALASKA (336), ALMOND (339), MUKWONAGO (375), FRENCH ISLAND (417), HUBERTUS (522), MC FARLAND (534), MILWAUKEE (537), CARLTON (538).

THE FOLLOWING SQUADRONS WERE PRESENTED WITH CITATIONS OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR ANNUAL REPORTING: LA CROSSE (52), MONROE (84), BLACK RIVER FALLS (129), MAIDEN ROCK (158), NORTH FREEDOM (172), ORFORDVILLE (209), GRAND MARSH (273), CEDARBURG (288), BLACK EARTH (313), VERONA (385), MAZOMANIE (437), MADISON (481),

SQUADRON 108 CLEAR LAKE RECEIVED THE **ROBERT WILCOX PLAQUE** (BEST AMERICANISM PROGRAM).

SECOND PLACE 189 WATERTOWN.
HONORABLE MENTION CERTIFICATE 406 GENERAL KING.

SQUADRON 294 HARTLAND RECEIVED THE **RAY FAUST PLAQUE** (BEST BLOOD PROGRAM).
HONORABLE MENTION CERTIFICATE ONALASKA 336.

SQUADRON 108 CLEAR LAKE RECEIVED THE **LILLIAN PRIEST PLAQUE** (BEST CHILDREN & YOUTH PROGRAM).

SECOND PLACE 180 MILWAUKEE BAY VIEW.
HONORABLE MENTION CERTIFICATE 214 DARLINGTON.

SQUADRON 336 ONALASKA RECEIVED THE **MARY ANN NELSON PLAQUE** (BEST COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM).

SECOND PLACE 18 MILWAUKEE.
HONORABLE MENTION CERTIFICATE 189 WATERTOWN.

SQUADRON 48 BELIOT RECEIVED THE **THOMAS A. KNOX PLAQUE** VETERANS SERVICE & REHABILITATION PLAQUE.

SECOND PLACE DOUSMAN 405.
HONORABLE MENTION CERTIFICATE 108 CLEAR LAKE.

SQUADRON 48 BELOIT RECEIVED THE **DON PRIEST** (BEST OVERALL PROGRAM).

SQUADRON 84 MONROE RECEIVED THE **JACK KEY PLAQUE** (FIRST SQUADRON 110% OVER LAST YEAR MEMBERSHIPS PROGRAM).

SQUADRON 73 NEILLSVILLE RECEIVED THE **ARMEN TEWS PLAQUE** (GREATEST INCREASE IN MEMBERS).

Dennis F. Stockisch Meritorious Service Award -WAS PRESENTED FOR ONLY THE THIRD TIME TO PAST COMMANDER KIRK D. HOVE.

I Got 1 Pins RUSS EVANSON (313), SEAN PATCHEN (385), MIKE POOK (449), MIKE EVE (449), CHRIS VESCHE (449), DAN SIEGLE (449), GEORGE BROWN (449).

I Got V Pins KEN DRURY (336), MICHAEL HUNT, GARY LUBICH (121), STEVE CHAMPENY (209).
ADJUTANT LAWLER NEEDS TO ORDER THESE PINS AND DELIVER LATER.

COMMANDER HOVE PRESENTED BIANCA AND DEVIN NELSON WITH THE COLORING CONTEST AWARD.

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For The Good Of The Sons Of The American Legion

Department Chairman – DALE VANNES TONY SODA'S REPLACEMENT NOTED THAT IT WAS NICE TO SEE MR. SODA HERE YESTERDAY HOWEVER WE SHOULD ALL KEEP HIM IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS AS HE IS GOING TO HAVE A HARD ROAD IN THE FUTURE WITH HIS HEALTH.

MR. VANNES IS LOOKING FORWARD TO THE FUTURE AND THE CHALLENGE TO SEE CONTINUED GROWTH WITHIN THE S.A.L. AND ITS MEMBERSHIP AND ALSO CONGRATULATED THE DETACHMENT ON ITS FINE JOB THIS LAST YEAR.

LETTER OF GREETINGS AND THANKS TO THE DETACHMENT WAS READ BY N.E.C. MAN LAWRENCE A. RICE FROM THE NATIONAL COMMANDER OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION RAYMOND P. GIEHLL JR.

COMMANDER HOVE CALLED FOR VOLUNTEERS TO TAKE PART WITH HIM IN THE MEMORIAL SERVICES SUN MORNING 8:00 AM, THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS VOLUNTEERED KARL ADANK (158), RICHARD SHAW (052), PATRICK GRYSKIEWICZ (093), MIKE POOK (449), TIM HANSON (052).

DENNIS STOCKFISCH ANNOUNCED THAT THE PCC CLUB BREAKFAST WILL BE HELD AT FAYSIES RESTAURANT SUNDAY MORNING. AT 6:30 AM.

ADJUTANT LAWLER NOTED THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:
SQUADRON MANUALS ARE BEING WORKED ON AND THESE WILL BE ISSUED ON CD OR DVD FORMATS.

THE OFFICERS WORKSHOP WILL BE AUG. 2, 2008 IN PORTAGE AT HEADQUARTERS STARTING AT 9:00 A.M., IT IS MANDATORY FOR OFFICERS BUT ANYONE CAN ATTEND.

MOTION WAS MADE, SECONDED AND MOTION PASSED TO ACCEPT COMMANDER HOVE'S MOTHER LOIS HOVE AS A DETACHMENT DEN MOTHER.

THIS IS THE OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE DETACHMENT "E"-MAIL CONTEST IT WILL RUN UNTIL MID WINTER WHEN PRIZES WILL BE DRAWN. THERE WILL BE (20) \$25.00 WINNERS. TO ENTER GO TO WEB SITE CLICK NEWSLETTER, FILL OUT THE SHORT QUESTION SCREEN.

Other Announcements

SQUADRON (48) BELOIT WILL BE HOLDING AN OPEN HOUSE ON AUGUST 16TH, THERE WILL BE A RAFFLE FOR UTILITY TRAILER.

POST (38) APPLETON WILL BE HOSTING A MILITARY VEHICLE AND COLLECTORS SHOW THE WEEKEND AFTER LABOR DAY THEIR WILL BE A S.O.S. BREAKFAST ON SUNDAY MORNING.

POST (158) MAIDEN ROCK IS HOLDING ITS ANNUAL CHICKEN FEED ON SAT. AUGUST 26TH.

LOGGERS BASEBALL GAME WILL BE TONIGHT AT 7:00.

POST 556 WILL BE HOLDING A POKER RUN ON AUGUST 16TH FOR CHILD FAMILY SERVICES FOR CHRISTMAS.

NEXT YEARS CONVENTION IN MILWAUKEE SQUADRON 449 IS PLANNING ON HOLDING A DANCE ON SAT. NIGHT FROM 7 TO 11.

DEBRA SHAW HAS OFFERED TO MAKE AN AFGHAN AS A RAFFLE PRIZE FOR THE S.A.L., FOR THE 2010 NATIONAL CONVENTION.

POST 117 WILL BE HAVING A OPEN HOUSE ON AUG. 10 TO SHOW OFF THEIR REMOLDING EFFORTS THAT THEIR S.A.L. HELPED OUT WITH IMMENSELY.

WITH NO OTHER BUSINESS COMMANDER HOVE RECESSED THE SESSION UNTIL SUNDAY MORNING AT 9:30 A.M.

ASSIST. ADJ.
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