

SIZZLIN' SIXTH DISTRICT

July/August 2016



6th District Commanders News

Ralph McCoy

Greeting's from your new district commander. Another year has gone anew 2016-2017 year is upon us. At department convention, attendance was down, last year 425 delegates, this year 365. Department of Ohio has 700+ posts only 131 posts were in attendance. We are on a serious downwards trend.

Our new department of Ohio Leadership is:

Commander Ronald L. Chapman (288)

1 Vice Commander David L. Jackson (641)

2 Vice Commander Stanley A. Pleasant (776)

Treasurer Harold Krieg (241)

National Exec. Committeeman Denis E. Clausing

Alternate National Exec. Committeeman Robert Klostermeier (553).

6th District:

Commander Ralph F McCoy (85)

1st Vice Commander Charles H Armstrong (85)

2nd Vice Commander Roy Terry (457)

Adjutant Dave Cook (79)

Finance Officer James Welsh (398)

Chaplain James Crawford (97)

I have all but two committees filled. Needed are Oratorical and Legion Riders. If anyone has experience in these fields please step forward.

Our National Convention is in Cincinnati August 26th to September 1st. Our delegates are James Morris (97), Ralph McCoy (85), Vince Becker (85). Alternates are Roger Friend (804), James Welsh (398) and Dave Cook (79).

Let's all work together and we will have a great year.

Department of Ohio Standing Committee Meeting Saturday July 9, 2016- Department Headquarters

Americanism- Roy Terry

Child Welfare- Carroll LListon

National Security-Roger Friend

VAR- Dave Cook

Post Activities- Roy Terry

I will fill in for Roy's Americanism, if you cannot make your meeting contact me and I will get an alternate for you.

1st Vice Commander
Charles Armstrong

Before I get into membership I would like to thank all that help my wife and I in the hospitality room on Friday at the convention. I got a lot of positive comments from folks, again thanks to all that helped.

The 6th District finished in 9th place for 2015-2016 membership year. We had 14 quota posts for the year. The new membership year is upon us, however at this writing I have not got the new lap dates or quotas I should have them by the next newsletter. The 2015-2016 convention in Independence, Ohio is now past history. I am looking forward to visiting the posts in the district and working on getting the district membership up. My goal for the coming year is to be a quota district. Below is my e-mail address and phone numbers.

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2nd Vice Commander
Greetings from 2nd Vice Roy Terry

Post 97 in Cardington is sponsoring the District Golf outing on July 17th. Post 254 in Johnstown is sponsoring the district picnic on August 7th. Please bring a covered dish to share, other foods will be provided.

The 6th District is conducting a Recruiting Drive August 7th-13th 2016 from 11am-6pm daily. This event will be held at the Hartford Fairgrounds in Croton, Ohio. All posts are challenged to send representation to support the overall membership for the District. Selling of any post related items such as t-shirts or raffle tickets directly related to your post is prohibited. During this event we will be partnering with The VSO for Licking County from Newark, Ohio. Please email the names of your post representation to roynsgmg@yahoo.com by July 15th. Please contact Roy Terry for question via email or by phone 614-216-5080.

District Conference
Oct. 2, 2016, Post 162 Marion
Dec. 4. 2016, Post 97 Cardington
Feb. 26, 2017 Marion
Apr. 30, 2017 Post 85 Newark



American Legion Post 457 recently honored three of their World War II members with certificates thanking them for their service. From left to right are Bob Morris, James Krebs, & Minor McGraw. Morris, who served as an officer in the U.S. Navy was also recognized for 60 years in the American Legion. Krebs and McGraw served in the U.S. Army.

Morris served on active duty from 1943 to 1946, and at age 23 became the Commanding Officer of LSM 115-1 Medium Landing Craft, (also known as the "Super Mouse"), where he traveled thru the Panama Canal and on to the Pacific Theater. Morris served in Pearl Harbor, Manila, Saipan, and Okinawa. He participated in the occupation of Taku under Task Force 78, Operation Beleaguer. He separated from the reserves in 1952.

Krebs enlisted in the U.S. Army after high school graduation in 1943 with his twin brother Jack. After basic training in Fort Riley, Kansas, advanced training in Mississippi and additional training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina they were assigned to Patton's 3rd Army and shipped out to England and on to France. The brothers were in the Battle of the Bulge. While serving as a Bazooka Team they were both awarded the Silver Star. In that battle Jack was mortally wounded and died in Jim's arms. Jim was wounded while helping his brother. After his wounds healed Krebs was sent to the 1135th Combat Engineers in Germany to build bridges for Patton's tanks advancing on into Germany. Krebs was discharged in 1946.

McGraw entered the U.S. Army in 1943. After basic training and medical corps training he was assigned to Billings General Hospital in Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, for additional training. McGraw was then assigned to the 167th General Hospital in France where he served as a Surgical Technician until the end of the War. He returned stateside in 1945 and was discharged in 1946.

For additional information please contact Gene Fuller at rgenefuller@aol.com or 740 965-2111

Post 398 Granville

Legion post 398 from Granville, Ohio presented the first Walter Oliver/Jerry Hyatt Memorial Scholarship to Miss Abbey Pitcock, daughter of Legion member John Pitcock at the high school honors program on May 17, 2016. Abbey was chosen from a number of applicants from the Granville High School and while all were worthy, she stood out for the following reasons. First was the praise given to Abbey by her English teacher who wrote a letter stating that "Abbey was a consistent leader in the class room." That "when working with others in groups, she took on a leadership role in order to make sure that assigned tasks were accomplished." She further noted that "Abbey was consistently positive and continually worked to the best of her ability."

In addition to Abbey's success as a student with a grade point average of 3.58 she was involved in several athletic endeavors including figure skating (11 years), Lacrosse (four year varsity and team captain), and Ice Hockey girls travel team. Academically she was inducted into the National Honor Society. With these credentials she was selected for early acceptance to the Farmer School of Business at the University of Miami in Ohio with a major in Interdisciplinary Business Management.

As a senior she applied for and was offered an Air Force ROTC scholarship and in her own words she states that "I am very excited to use my college education to give back to the community and nation as a leader in our Armed Forces. This will enable me to honor our nation and those who have served before me."

Respectfully submitted;

John Adams

Commander American Legion post 398

Granville, Ohio

Sunbury, Ohio

May 15, 2016

Colonel Benson W. Hough Post 457, American Legion in Sunbury was recently notified that post member John R. Ishler was selected as American Legion Ohio District 6 Legionnaire Of The Year. This high honor is awarded annually to one American Legion member in the District who has demonstrated outstanding service to their local post and their community. John is a retired Columbus Police Officer with 28 years of service. He served in the United States Marine Corp for 4 years of active duty and 4 years of reserve duty. He reached the rank of Corporal and was awarded an honorable discharge.

For over 10 years John has been a Service Volunteer at Ohio Health Grady Hospital in Delaware. He also serves on the Delaware County Veterans Association Honor Guard that provides Military Funeral Honors for deceased Delaware County Veterans.

Gene Fuller, Post 457 Adjutant, rgenefuller@aol.com or 740 965-2111

2016 Johnstown Farmers' Market and Hand-made Crafts

This year, the Johnstown American Legion Post #254 is once again managing the Farmers' Market and Hand-made Crafts in Johnstown, Ohio. Contact personnel are Jim Conrad at (614) 403-5431, Urvin Hartsock at (740) 966-5218, or Preston Hale at (614) 452-1894.

The Market will run from 9:00 AM until Noon on Saturdays at Bigelow Square, intersection of Routes 37 and 62 in Johnstown. The first Market of the season will be on June 11th and the final market of the season will be on September 10th, 2016.

Thank you!

The Johnstown American Legion Post #254

Sixth District Picnic !



If you haven't ever come to the annual picnic, or you haven't come for years, plan to attend this year. Fun, food, horseshoe tournament w/trophies, corn hole games, euchre, and/or bingo. Mark your calendar for that day NOW, so you don't plan something else, you'll be glad you did.

Sunday, August 7th, be there before noon so we can eat at noon. Meat & drinks furnished, bring a covered dish (with food) and/or a dessert.

Post 254 looks forward to welcoming you !

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Post Activities:

Utica Post 92

Fish/Shrimp

Alternating Friday nights

Spaghetti: July 1, Aug. 12, Sept. 9

Ashley Post 518

Fish Fry

1st Saturday of every month 5-7pm

Fredericktown Post 500 - Breakfast

3rd Saturday's – 7:00am - 9:00am

Cardington Post 97

Fish Fry

3rd Friday every month 5-7pm

Hebron Post 285

"Bluegrass Thursday Nights"

5pm every Thursday

Caledonia Post 401

Steak Fry – 1st Sat. 5-8pm

Chicken Fry – 3rd Sat 5-8pm

Newark Post 85

Fish Fry (all you can eat)

1st Friday every month

5-7pm

740-345-2346

Hanover Post 764

Fish Fry

1st & 3rd Friday -5:00pm-7:00pm

Waldo Post 605

Cook's choice by S.A.L.

3rd Saturday

Last Saturday - Auxiliary

District Picnic

Aug. 7, 2016, Post 254 Johnstown

Jr. State Baseball Tournament

July 23-16, Beavers Field, Lancaster

Sr. State Baseball Tournament

July 27-31, Beaver Field, Lancaster

Purple Heart Day – Aug. 7, 2016

Patriot Day – Sept. 11, 2016

POW/MIA Recognition Day – Sept. 16, 2016

Gold Star Family Remembrance Sunday – Sept. 25, 2016

Please share this newsletter with all members of your Post and Auxiliary Units

The 'Sizzlin' Sixth Newsletter

Comes out every two months.

Next newsletter deadline: Sept. 1, 2016

To submit information, please

Send to: Jim Welsh at welsh534@roadrunner.com

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