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**>>"Breakfast Every Sat. 8am – 11am"<<**

### **Commander's Corner**

It's likely you haven't thought of it in a while with the holidays over and getting life back to normal again. The other day while reading the local newspaper, it reminded me that not everybody's life returned to normal. A letter dated November 10th 2010 a young soldier serving in Afghanistan wrote on his facebook page about men and women that go to war. (A Veteran) He wrote of someone who at one point in their life, wrote a blank check payable to the United States of America for an amount up to and including their life. That is beyond honor, and there are way too many people in this country who no longer remember that in fact on December 12th 2010 Army Spec Patrick Deans of Orlando Fla. was among six soldiers killed by a suicide bomber. He was 22 years old. Any day that we see anyone in a Military uniform take the time to say (Thanks for serving).

Your Post still needs volunteers, your help and participation is needed. Just a couple hours a week would be a great help. This doesn't mean the person sitting next to you, it means you!

#### **Dates to remember**

**Feb. 14th** – Post 18 Americanism Dinner

**Feb. 19th** – The 66th anniversary of the Iwo Jima flag raising

**Feb. 26th** – 7th District meeting at Linton Post 22, Four Chaplin's Service at 1:00 P.M.

Thanks to all of Post 18 members, volunteers and employees who make us that great post that we really are!!

For God and Country

***Richard "Moe" Moldenhauer  
Commander***



### **Board of Trustees Report**

We are now serving breakfast at the club Tuesday thru Friday 8: am until 11: am. We have several different menu options that should please everyone. Come on out and give it a try. We will still have our "All you can eat benefit breakfast each Saturday. This month on the 5<sup>th</sup> we will have a breakfast for the **Youth Bowling League** and on the 12<sup>th</sup> we will have one to benefit **Timothy Isom** who is in need of a kidney transplant. The proceeds will go to **C.O.T.A.** on Timothy's behalf.

Friday February the 11<sup>th</sup> will be our **Valentines Dinner and Dance**. Terry Lee will be your entertainment. **MAKE YOUR RESERVATION NOW!**

Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> we will be having our traditional **Americanism Dinner**. I may try to do something a little special since it is also Valentine's Day. Food will be served at 6:30.

I want to thank all of our members who have braved the cold and snow plus the road construction to support the club. The business is appreciated and needed at this time

***Mike Pate  
Chairman, B.O.T.***

### **1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander**

This information is to bring the members up to date on what your American Legion Post has done for our local community.

First the Monroe County United Ministries, Moe, Mike, Larry and Jim picked up 30 Turkeys and 30 Hams from Kroger south and a pickup load of canned goods like, fruit, instant mashed potatoes, canned green beans, canned soups and other items from SAM'S Club and transported to the Monroe County United Ministries

to help out the people that needed to get food.

Second before Christmas Moe, Robbie, Paula and Larry separated the toys in the basement and put out on tables the toys for 7 and under for distribution to the Children that are in our community that was not going to have a very good Christmas. Jim and Paula boxed up boxes of assorted toys for the younger children. Jim took a half pick-up load to the United Ministries for distribution and a half pick-up load to the Community Action Program on 15<sup>th</sup> street for distribution. He also took one bag of Teddy Bears to the Monroe County Sheriff's Department, one bag to the Ellettsville Police Department and two bags to the Indiana State Police Post in Bloomington for distribution to children involved in traffic accidents or Child Abuse cases as they see fit. Richland Bean Blossom Trustees office called to see if they could get some toys for the Stinesville area, as they know some children in that community would not be receiving anything for Christmas. They came and pick up two boxes of toys. What was left over Jim called the Marine Corps Toys for Tots through the Marine Corps Recruiter and two Marines came and took the toys that were still in the basement.

The only way the above could be accomplished is through your loyal membership to our American Legion Post 18 (The Family of Three). Through you supporting the post in all aspects we were able to help out our community. Again if it was not for you renewing and patronizing our facility a lot of children would not have had a very nice Christmas. From the bottom of all our hearts the Family of Three we want to say **THANK YOU!!**

#### Need at the Post

One WWII necktie  
One WWII belt and buckle

**James (Jim) C. Arnold**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander**

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander

The Chili Cook-Off held Saturday, January 22nd had 10 contestants. They were: Larry Butcher, Joe Crawford, Barb Edwards, Al Hawes, Genia Hottell, Orville Hunter, Marsha Jolly, Paula Koons, Linda Pedro and Marsha Taillon. I would like to thank all of you for making it happen. I also want to thank the people who came out and voted for their favorite chili. The person who won was **Orville Hunter**. We raised \$160.00 in the cook off and another \$11.00 on Al Hawes salsa, which everyone said was very good, for a grand total of **\$171.00**. The big winner was Martha's House! Between the chili cook-off donations and our Bingo players Mike gave Bobbie Summers a **check for \$1200.00**. I hope we can raise the bar next year for Martha's House Chili Cook off. Orville will have his name placed on a plaque that will be displayed at the Legion so he can have "bragging rights" for his chili. He also received an American Flag.

Mark your calendar for our next cook-off on March 12th. This will be a Soup Cook-Off. This cook off will be for either the Hospice House or the VA House. As before I will have a sign up sheet at the Post. So get your favorite soup recipes out and join in the fun and helping out a charity.

I will have to say we are very lucky to have **Rebecca Frasier** representing us as a contestant in the Oratorical Contest. She did a very nice job and made me proud to see a young lady

speaking so well. Rebecca is a 10th grade home school student from Morgan County. Let's all keep her in our thoughts on February 13th as she goes to the Zone to represent us. Good Luck Rebecca, and the Post hopes you make it to the State Oratorical Contest. In the next newsletter I will give you some information about the recent Mid-Winter Conference.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander**  
**Larry Taillon**

#### February Featured Legionnaire



This month's featured legionnaire is Larry Summitt. Larry was born on 1 December 1945 in the Bloomington Hospital. He grew up in Stinesville, In where he attended school. He graduated from Stinesville High School in 1963. While attending Stinesville School he was active in basketball, baseball and ran cross country. He was president of the 2010 Stinesville Alumni gathering. Larry entered the US Army in 1965. He took his basic training at Ft. Knox, Ky. After basic training, Larry was stationed at Ft. Ord for his Advanced Infantry Training. Upon completion of AIT in May of 1966, Larry was stationed in Viet Nam. He was a member of the 82<sup>nd</sup> Combat Engineers. The unit was disbanded and Larry was reassigned to the 182<sup>nd</sup> Aviation. He returned state side in May of 1967 and was stationed at Ft. Benning, Ga. He was honorably discharged in Oct. 1967. He was awarded the National Defense Ribbon, Viet Nam Campaign Medal, Viet Nam Service Medal, Rifle Sharpshooter Medal, and Machine Gun Expert Medal. Upon returning home, Larry worked for RCA for two years. He left RCA to join Western and Southern Insurance Company where he worked for 38 years. Larry first joined the American Legion in 1965 but was not active and dropped out. He later joined the American Legion Post 18 in 1989 where he has been an active member ever since. He has held the office of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander for three years, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice commander for 1 year. He served on the board of directors for 5 years. Larry served as post commander 2005-2006 and currently holds the position of Finance Officer. He received the Legionnaire of the Year award in 2006 and Commander's award for 2006-2008. Larry served as the grand marshal in the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in 2006. Larry also cooked for the lunch bunch for three years. In 1976 Larry met his wife Linda at the Keywest Shrimp House. They were married in 1978. They have 4 boys and 1 girl. They have 6 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

**Historian**  
**Bob Lanning**

#### Chaplain's Message

##### A Love Letter

Dear Loved One,



I just had to write to tell you how much I love and care for you. Yesterday, I saw you walking and laughing with your friends; I hoped that soon you'd want me to walk along with you too. So, I painted you a sunset to close your day and whispered a cool breeze to refresh you. I waited - you never called - I just kept on loving you.

As I watched you fall asleep last night, I wanted so much to touch you. I spilled moonlight onto your face – trickling down your cheeks as so many tears have. You didn't even think of me. I wanted so much to comfort you.

The next day I exploded a brilliant sunrise into glorious morning for you. But you woke up late and rushed off to work – you didn't even notice. My sky became cloudy and my tears were rain.

I love you! Oh, if you'd only listen! I really love you! I try to say it in the quiet of the green meadow, and in the blue sky. The wind whispers my love throughout the treetops and spills it into the vibrant colors of all the flowers. I shout it to you in the thunder of the great waterfalls and compose love songs for birds to sing for you. I warm you with the clothing of my sunshine and perfume the air with nature's sweet scent. My love for you is deeper than any ocean and greater than any need in your heart. If only you'd realize how I care!

My father sends His love. I wanted you to know He cares too! Fathers are just that way – you know. So call on me soon. No matter how long it takes, I'll wait – because I love you.

Your Friend, Jesus

### Counterfeits Of The Heart

True stories about deceit and deception can sound stranger than fiction. According to an AP news item, a Georgia woman was arrested after trying to pay for more than \$1,500 in purchases with a million-dollar counterfeit bill. When questioned, the embarrassed patron claimed to have been misled, saying that the fake money had been given to her by her ex-husband, who was a coin collector.

The size of the bill makes us question whether anyone could really have been misled into thinking it was real. But maybe that makes it a good illustration of the almost unbelievable problem of self-deception that the prophet warns us about. When Jeremiah said, "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?" (17:9 EVS), he expresses a sense of amazement that is beyond our ability to grasp. Here the prophet is not saying that some of us have a problem being honest with ourselves; he is claiming that everyone does.

Thankfully, God searches our hearts and understands what we cannot see (v.10). He gives us every reason to say, "Lord, we need Your help. Please show us whether we are being honest with ourselves and You. If we aren't, help us to change and rely on You rather than on ourselves." – Mart De Haan

### Post Everlasting

Cecil R. Elliott-----Vietnam  
Charles C. Francisco-----WWII

*Chaplain  
Wayne Trisler*

### Auxiliary News Of Unit 18

I hope this month's newsletter finds you warm and thinking about spring.

April has been designated as the Month of the Military Child. American Legion Auxiliary Unit

#18 is kicking off this celebration the Saturday before April (MARCH 26th 11:30am – 3:30pm) as a way to recognize the



character, strength and sacrifices of America's military children as well as the role they play in the armed forces community. As of April 2010, there were 1.7 million American children and youth under 18-years-old with a parent serving in the military and approximately 900,000 children and youth with one or both parents deployed multiple times.

March 26th is the date of our Military Child Celebration, where we will be concentrating our efforts on our military children. This day will bring a FREE lunch for the children and their family, a chance to Build-A-Bear as stuffing, loving and naming will all happen on site, learn about First Aid fundamentals, receive an appreciation award, participate in coloring contests, and other fun activities.

**LET US RECOGNIZE YOUR MILITARY CHILD!**

Requirements for eligibility for this event:

- The child must be 15 years or younger.
- The child must be a registered member of the American Legion through juniors or Sons.
- A child may participate in this program if their veteran is part of another post (as long as they are registered as a Sons or Junior at this post).
- The direct relation must be currently serving in the Armed Forces (active, Guard, or Reserve).

\*\*As of February 1st, the registration will be opened to any child with a direct connection to a retired or discharged veteran.

We have been planning this event for over a year, so we hope you will choose to support our efforts.

February 14 is the date of the Americanism dinner. Dinner will be provided and we will have a guest speaker. Please plan on joining us. If you are able to attend, please bring a dessert to share with everyone.



Since the Americanism dinner is when our regular monthly meeting would have been, we will be having a meeting the last part of February. Once the date is set, it will be posted on the bulletin board at the Post.

Thank you for your continued support of our Veterans.

**Lisa Liford Brown  
Unit 18 President**



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. Lunch 11 -2pm <u>BINGO</u> <u>7-10pm</u>  Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. Steak Special and Reg. Menu	<b>2</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. <u>Lunch 11 - 2pm</u> Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. All You Can Eat Food Bar & Reg. Menu <u>Texas</u> <u>Holdem 7pm</u>	<b>3</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. Lunch 11 - 2pm  Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. Mexican Special & Regular Menu	<b>4</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. <u>Lunch 11 - 2pm</u> <u>Dining</u> <u>5:30 - 9:30 pm</u> <u>Ribs</u>  Phil Spaulding 7:30-11:30	<b>5</b> <u>Benefit Breakfast</u> <u>Youth Bowling</u> <u>League</u> 8-11am  <u>Dining</u> 5:30 - 9:30 pm Reg. Menu Steak Specials
		<b>6</b> <u>Bingo</u> Doors open 1 pm  	<b>7</b> <u>B.O.T.</u> Steak Night 6:00 -8:00  Bar Open 4-9 p.m.	<b>8</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. Lunch 11 -2pm <u>BINGO</u> <u>7-10pm</u>  Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. Steak Special and Reg. Menu	<b>9</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. <u>Lunch 11 - 2pm</u> Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. All You Can Eat Food Bar & Reg. Menu <u>Texas</u> <u>Holdem 7pm</u>	<b>10</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. Lunch 11 - 2pm  Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. Mexican Special & Regular Menu
<b>13</b> <u>Bingo</u> Doors open 1 pm  	<b>14</b> <u>Americanism</u> <u>Dinner</u> <u>6:30p.m.</u>  Bar Open 4 – 9 p.m.	<b>15</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. Lunch 11 -2pm <u>BINGO</u> <u>7-10pm</u>  Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. Steak Special and Reg. Menu	<b>16</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. <u>Lunch 11 - 2pm</u> Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. All You Can Eat Food Bar & Reg. Menu <u>Texas</u> <u>Holdem 7pm</u>	<b>17</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. Lunch 11 - 2pm  Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. Mexican Special & Regular Menu	<b>18</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. <u>Lunch 11 - 2pm</u> <u>Dining</u> <u>5:30 - 9:30 pm</u> <u>Ribs</u>  Blast From Past 7:30-11:30	<b>19</b> Breakfast 8-11am  <u>Dining</u> 5:30 - 9:30 pm Reg. Menu Steak Specials
<b>20</b> <u>Bingo</u> Doors open 1 pm  	<b>21</b>  <b>CLUB            CLOSED</b>	<b>22</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. Lunch 11 -2pm <u>BINGO</u> <u>7-10pm</u>  Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. Steak Special and Reg. Menu	<b>23</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. <u>Lunch 11 - 2pm</u> Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. All You Can Eat Food Bar & Reg. Menu <u>Texas</u> <u>Holdem 7pm</u>	<b>24</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. Lunch 11 - 2pm  Kitchen Open 5 – 8 p.m. Mexican Special & Regular Menu	<b>25</b> Breakfast 8-11a.m. <u>Lunch 11 - 2pm</u> <u>Dining</u> <u>5:30 - 9:30 pm</u> <u>Prime Rib</u>  No Plan B 7:30-11:30	<b>26</b> Breakfast 8-11am <u>Dining</u> 5:30 - 9:30 pm Reg. Menu Steak Specials  Rob Barry Band 7:30-11:30
<b>27</b> <u>Bingo</u> Doors open 1 pm  	<b>28</b>  <b>CLUB            CLOSED</b>	<p>Are you looking for a Place to have a Party?            Graduation, Wedding, Shower, Birthday....            Check out our Hall or Outdoor Deck!</p> <p>Please contact Mike Pate at 334-0500 for more information</p>				

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