



O'Brien POST #177

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Post meetings held the 1st Thursday of each month in the Community Center at 7:00 p.m.
All members are invited to attend.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

NOV 11	Veteran's Day
NOV 26	Thanksgiving Day
DEC 3	Post Meeting, Community Center 7:00 p.m.
DEC 12	Christmas Party, Community Center 5:00 p.m.
DEC 25	Christmas Day
JAN 1	New Year's Day
JAN 7	Post Meeting, Community Center 7:00 p.m.



Please join us for our annual Christmas Party on December 12!
All members and their spouse or guest are invited. Price is \$7.50 per person which includes a catered dinner, beer, soda, and entertainment.

5:00 p.m. Doors Open
6:00 p.m. Opening Meeting
6:15 p.m. Dinner
7:00 p.m. Music & Entertainment (maybe Dancing?)

PLEASE RSVP Vice Commander Joe Olson at 636-222-2414 no later than December 7th!!!

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

If you have not renewed your 2016 membership dues please pay them as soon as possible. Officially, you will be delinquent on December 31st. We would like to keep you as a member. **REMEMBER: The American Legion year begins July 1st, not January 1st.**

The American Legion National Headquarters has increased the annual dues from \$25 to \$30 per year. It has been a decade since the last increase. This increase will be effective beginning the next Legion membership year, July 2016.

FROM THE FINANCE OFFICER

Below is a brief overview of the various means by which the Post receives funds and also many of the ways O'Brien Post 177 serves the community and veterans alike:

Donations/Funds Raised

Marine Corps League
Poppy Sales
Eureka Days
Membership Dues
Individual Donations

Contributions/Assistance Provided

St. Louis Veterans Home
The Salvation Army
Boy Scouts of Missouri
Marine Focus and Camp Hope Benefit
College Scholarships
USO of St. Louis
Green Beret Casualty Fund
Veterans & Disabled Veterans Assistance
Pacific High School JROTC Program

FROM THE ADJUTANT

To help keep costs to a minimum publishing our newsletter, we are asking **ALL MEMBERS** to provide the Adjutant with a current email address where the letter may be forwarded. Also the newsletter is now on our website which address is www.eurekapost177.org.

Captain of the Guard Ken Allison has relinquished his position in the Guard. Marty O'Fallon has agreed to assume these duties. Ken was instrumental in the starting of the Post Color Guard and has been the Captain since its' inception, 13 years ago. His leadership will be missed. I, for one, thank him for his dedication to O'Brien Post 177, The American Legion. I am sure Marty will continue this great leadership as Captain of the Color Guard.

POST WEBSITE

If you have any content to add to the website, i.e. pictures, articles, etc., please forward to our webmaster, Don Ford at don63025@gmail.com.

HISTORY

50 Years Ago – Bill Jeffries and Dell Branson joined the Post. Christmas Party and New Year's Eve Dance held. Membership stood at 154. Donations made –10th District Child Welfare Dance, needy family near Pond.

20 Years Ago – Ron Brown and Charles Lowes joined the Post. Membership stood at 127. Post achieved 100% in membership goal for the year. Donations made – "Christmas in Eureka", Ministerial Alliance

10 Years Ago – Lt. Matthew Vogt, USN - Active Duty, joined the Post. Membership stood at 126. Christmas Party held. Donations made – Eureka H.S. Baseball Field Flag Pole and monument approved, United Cerebral Palsy Golf Tournament, Past Commander's Club and 10th District Shoe Fund

DECEMBER & JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

12/6 Steve Lieser
12/24 Rich Sax
12/25 Dennis Fuchs
1/1 Tony Hren
1/13 Ken Ferrari
1/26 Audrey Laubinger
1/28 Lindsey Spahr
1/31 Clarence Weber

