

GREENBELT AMERICAN LEGION POST 136

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

With the April showers moving on and bringing May flowers - oh wait, the April showers didn't bring the May flowers, Gary Barbour brought the flowers, and like always he's right on time! We've renewed his contract and we all can be glad we did. One thing that Post members can take great pride in, is our beautiful lawn and landscape that we all enjoy. Our thanks go to Gary, whom I've seen most days at the Legion working hard at improving the grounds. I've had the opportunity to review Gary's Suburban Maintenance contract. This one-man company (Gary) performs a long list of tasks and provides needed materials to the Post. However, one thing he does not mention in the contact list, was the pride and responsibility he brings with his services. So the next time you see Gary weeding, mulching or cutting the grass, say thanks or maybe buy him a cold beer. He'll probably need it come July and August. Thanks Gary. You always do a great job.

If you haven't heard yet, our bookkeeper Amanda Beavers is leaving. After a number of years keeping the accounting books straight, working as one of the Post's waitresses, and finishing her BS degree in Business at UMUC, she has accepted a wonderful career opportunity as the Accounting Coordinator at the NIH Children's Inn, a nonprofit organization. We are all proud of Amanda, and wish her well and God's blessings. With that being said, we are bringing onboard a new person to the management team, Margaret (Peggy) Lint. Peggy will replace Amanda as the Post bookkeeper. She is member of the Auxiliary and her late husband, Richard, was a long-time member of Post 136. Peggy brings extensive experience in office administration/accounting and bookkeeping. She has an Associate Degree in Accounting and is proficient at many needed computer skills, a list too long to engage in this message. Her references all spoke very highly of her. Please welcome Peggy to the Post Management Team

While we wait for summer to arrive, the Post is sponsoring a number of events which we hope you will attend. Our Mother's Day Buffet will be held on Sunday, May 12th. On Sunday, May 26th, we will be hosting the last Washington DC sponsored Rolling Thunder and, on Monday May 27th, we will hold our traditional Memorial Day Ceremony and Buffet. Brian Crabill did such a great job last year with our first golf tournament in October, he's been commandeered to assist Gene Kellaheer and Mark Weiss with the Annual Kellaheer Golf Tournament this year. We hope that our involvement with the golf tournament will bring patrons back to the Post. Stick around, because the third weekend in June will be a very active one with Flag Day, U.S. Army 244th Birthday, Post Legion Family installation and Father's Day. Last, let's not forget the Auxiliary's Shrimp Feast. Read more event information elsewhere in this issue of the Contact.

It's great to have all these events to attend as I mentioned earlier in this message. Now that we have repaired the roof leaks, the noisy fans in the bathrooms and the major repair to both walk-in coolers, as well as the new grease pit being installed in the front lawn, I think we should be ready to have a great summer. Let horse shoes fly and the beer flow! This year look for a new event on Labor Day weekend, our first Classic Car Show.

The Prince George's County Fire department is offering free CPR, AED and Stop the Bleeding training for any Employee of the Greenbelt American Legion, Legionnaire, Auxiliary and SAL member. Look for a sign-up sheet at the Post. This year the key card for the entry to the Members Lounge (back bar) will be the same as last year. Look for additional key card information in this issue of the Contact.

As our 2018 - 2019 administrative year comes to an end, I want to thank all of you for your support and your commitment to our Post. We will hold our annual election of Post Officers on Thursday, May 16th from noon until 7:00 p.m. in Hofberg Hall. You will find a list of candidates elsewhere in the Contact. I urge you to bring your 2019 membership card and vote.

For God and Country,
Greg Gigliotti

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