



THE DAMASCUS VETERAN

A Newsletter for Members & Friends of Damascus American Legion Post 171, Unit & Squadron

JANUARY – FEBRUARY 2016

THE COMMANDER'S CORNER

Fellow Comrades:

Our annual flag raising ceremonies started on Tue, Nov 10th at Wims ES and Wed Nov 11th at Rocky Hill MS, Clearspring ES, Gibbs ES. Nov 11th was a very busy and it started with 8 AM at Rocky Hill MS followed by Clearspring ES. We held a wonderful Veterans Day Ceremony at the Post at 10:30 AM with a fantastic speaker Thomas Murphy and concluded the day with another flag ceremony at Windsor Knolls MS at 2 PM. The next day, Wed, Nov 12, we participated in flag ceremony at Rockwell ES and Damascus ES.



Our guest speaker Thomas Murphy, a Rockville lawyer and Army veteran of the 25th Infantry Division, who was awarded the Purple Heart and Combat Infantryman Badge for his service during the Vietnam War. Tom spoke eloquently about his combat experiences and how his time in the Army had helped shape his life, both personally and professionally, and he paid tribute to all those who have served our great nation and to those now serving. His inspirational message generated a lengthy standing ovation. Damascus HS brought a large group of singers to our Veterans Day Ceremony! Brian Isaac, DHS Director of Choirs, has ample reason to be proud. They sang quite a few arrangements and each of them was strong and impactful.

The Oyster Roast on Nov 21th was a pretty good success. We had a great crowd with plenty of food, beverages, and great music by DJ Will. The next event will be our Shrimp Feast on Feb 20th.

We completed our Oratorical Orientation and we have six contestants. Please come and support their Post contest at 10 AM on Saturday Jan 16th.

Lewis Trott-Department Commander, our own Will Trotter-SMD Commander, and Colleen Mulrone-Montgomery County Commander, will attend our Membership Celebration on Jan 23rd. At the luncheon we will be presenting awards for Distinguished Post Member, Legionnaire of the Year and Honorary Life Member. We will also recognize all new members within the last year, and our long time members (50+; 60+ years, etc.). In addition, Lewis Trott will be presenting recruiting coins to those so qualified. Let's plan for a good turnout.

God Bless our Military and God Bless America
Kevin Mook, Commander

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE 2016 MEMBERSHIP YEAR CONTINUING TO PRACTICE THE 2Rs—RENEW AND RECRUIT

Come one—come all to the Membership Celebration that we are hosting on Saturday, January 23, 2016. The celebration will start with a social hour beginning at 1PM, followed by the program from 2-3PM. Following the program, we will enjoy some good food and comradeship from 3-5PM. Please return the reservation form contained in this newsletter to me with your payment no later than January 15, 2016. This is the singular event focused on our membership and recognizing Legionnaires for exceptional contributions to our Post, veterans and our community.

We are rounding the corner for the 2016 Membership Year and we have made good progress but we need your best efforts to make our 100% goal. As of December 19, we are at 78% of our goal of 382 Damascus Post 171 Legionnaires! The Post continues to need your assistance in recruiting new members. Keep practicing the 2Rs of Membership—**Renew** and **Recruit**! Renew your membership if you haven't yet and ask the same of your fellow Legionnaires. Recruit, Recruit, Recruit!!! Also, if you recruited people last year or in prior years, be sure to contact them and assist them in renewing their membership if needed. We have a great thing going on at our Post and we have the responsibility to share it with other eligible veterans.

I am pleased to recognize the newest members of the Post 171 Legion Family: Stuart Healey, William J Herald, Frank L Miller Jr, Todd J Reiner, John W Roberts, Christopher Sharer and Brad H Shelton. Welcome to the American Legion and thank you for your service to our country!

Our Damascus Post 171 Golf Tournament and the dedicated Bingo were great successes! We were able to send a donation totally \$23,600 to Homes for our Troops to support their building of SGT Kevin Jaye's home in Hagerstown. A small and dedicated group participated in Kevin Jaye's Work Day on December 19th. The task was landscaping which included grading the soil, laying sod and mulch and also planting shrubbery. It was a cold day and the participants walked away tired, dirty and fulfilled - helping a veteran achieve his goal of a new home. The final event for SGT Jaye's home is the Key Ceremony which is scheduled for February 6 (Saturday) at 10:00 AM. Hopefully, we can have a large showing to honor this Wounded Warrior as the keys to his new home are presented. Also, we will be presenting a ceremonial check to SGT Jaye showing him how much money Post 171 raised for his home.

Please remember and execute the 2Rs: **RENEW** and **RECRUIT**!

God Bless our troops and country! 1st Vice Commander Bernie Moxley Jr, Tel: 828-455-6545, email: 1stVice@legionpost171.org

Membership Celebration- January 23, 2016

(Please note that there is a change in time and format from the last newsletter)

Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 23, 2016 for the Membership Celebration to be held at the Post home! This is a great event and everyone is encouraged to attend. New members should especially plan to attend as it free for you! Social hour starts at 1 PM., program is from 2-3 PM., followed by food and comradeship from 3-5 PM.

If you recruited a new member this year, please make an extra effort to call the new member and encourage them to attend the Membership Celebration.

The Membership Celebration program is for you, the members! There will be an update on our programs; recognizing deserving member service and previewing what's coming this spring. Our Post is an outstanding American Legion Post and we want all members to play an active part in supporting the varied programs benefitting veterans, our community and the country. This is a great time to catch up with friends and welcome our new members. It is also a wonderful opportunity to recognize superior service by deserving Legionnaires and get energized for future Post service to veterans and our community.

Please send in the below reservation form to the Post with your check by January 15th. The cost is \$15 each per member and spouse (or first guest), and \$20 for each additional guest. Clip out and send the below form to the Post as soon as possible but **no later than January 15, 2016.**

2016 Membership Dinner Party Reservation Form / Saturday January 23rd

Member name _____ @\$15

Spouse or 1st Guest _____ @\$15

Number of additional guests _____ @\$20 each

Total number attending _____ Table Request _____

Total Amount enclosed \$ _____



Thomas Murphy – Speaks at Veteran’s Day Ceremony



Post 171 was host once again to the annual baseball banquet on December 20th to recognize the 2015 Legion baseball coaches, players, and boosters. The evening began with a social hour and dinner. Again, a delightful meal was catered by Maggi's Blues & BBQ, Tom & Rays, Ledo's Pizza, and our own Post 171 snack bar. After the meal was served, Coach Jimmy Stone (Head Coach, AL Senior Team), Coach Bob O'Connor (Head Coach, AL Junior Team), and Coach Dana Rice (Head Coach, DSA Youth Team) recapped their respective teams' seasons' highlights and introduced their players.

We were very fortunate to have as our guest speaker Anthony Papio, a senior star outfielder on the Maryland Terrapins baseball team and a former Post 171 baseball player. Papio's talk was a review of his career at Maryland from walk-on to star outfielder. He reminded the players that with hard work and sacrifice anything was achievable. His talk was well received by all.

Junior and Senior players also were recognized for their outstanding contributions and performance on the field. For the Junior Legion team, Tyler Retherford was recognized by Coach O'Connor as the Frank S. Wodoslawsky MVP. Marianne DiSomma presented the Unit 171 Auxiliary Award to Jake Paholski. Coach Jimmy Stone and Bob Bellison presented awards to the following Senior players: Will Proctor - Charles Senseney Best Offensive Player Award; Zach Thompson - Ken Diggs Dedication Award and the Ray Luhn Pitching Award; Nick Infanti - Best Defensive Player Award; Jason Moyer - Coaches Award; and Taylor Abrahams - the Gerald Duvall MVP.

We also recognized Coach Jimmy Stone and his staff (Tim Nori, Russ Renfro, and Tyler Pickerel) who will be leaving us this year. Coach Stone has been our Senior head coach for two years, and we are grateful to Coach Stone and his staff for their tremendous effort and hard work. They will be missed and we wish them all well in their next coaching positions. We also are proud to announce that Coach Stone's replacement will be Coach Bob O'Connor who will move up from the Juniors to coach the Seniors this year.

2015 BASEBALL COMMITTEE: *Keith Martin (Chairman), Bob Bellison, Sam Baughman, Bob Ray, George Bolling, Buzz Burroughs, Ron Scott, Bill Green, Brownie Chichester, Bill Hauptman, Skip Duvall, and Frank Carpenter.*

2015 BOOSTERS:

*Hazel Hoyle, *June Gebicke, Pat Moxley, *Keith & Mary Gene Martin, Paula Moxley, *Bob & Ruby Bellison, Danny Moxley, *Ray Mullican, Reva Pearce, *Tunnell Govt. Services, Anna Mae Senseney, *Buzz & Eileen Burroughs, Madalean Darby, *Ernie Clifford, Carol & Hank Hartley, *Roy & Kathy Stanley, Lenny Senseney, John & Sandy Walter, Debby Moxley, George & Mary Bolling, Steve Norwood, Kevin Mook, Judy Moore, Brownie & Ginny Chichester, Liz & Lou Popowsky, Bob Moxley, Mary Robinson, George Johnson, Sam Baughman, Donald & Betty Nicholson, Rev. David Hughes, Tommy Thompson, Fran Burlas, Ron Bowers, Alan Rannals, Mark & Betty Jeffers, Bill & Cindy McMinn, Dee Dee Myers, Sandy Seipp, Bob & Cindy Ray, Pat Rice, Bill Hauptman, Bill Dunn, Shawn & Paula Gill, Roland Hockenbery, *Jan Wessling, Skip Duvall, Bob & Louise Mullinix, Delores Neal, Jack and Mary Beth Talamo, *Scott Earhardt, *Tony DeShiro, *John and Diana Pascoe, Bert Thornley, and Judy & Andy Knapp**

*** GRANDSLAM (\$100 *+Donation)**

POST BASEBALL BOOSTER CLUB 2015

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____
Address _____

_____ DOUBLE HITTER (\$50 Donation)
Cook-out – Banquet- Schedule & Game
Results

_____ HOMERUN (\$100* Donation)
Cook-out – Banquet- Schedule & Game
Results. Select 1 apparel Item from below

_____ GRANDSLAM (\$200*+ Donation)
Cook-out – Banquet- Schedule & Game Result
Select 2 items from below

Apparel Items: ___ Shirt (Size ___)
_____ Sweat Shirt (Size ___), ___ Hat
circle color – Red/Gray/Navy

_____ *PLEASE USE MY ENTIRE DONATION FOR THE BASEBALL PROGRAM*

Make checks payable to Post 171 Baseball and return to American Legion Post 171 Baseball, ATTN: Keith Martin, PO Box 171, Damascus, MD 20872

2016 ORATORICAL CONTEST

We're thrilled to have six students registered for the Post 171 Oratorical contest. Three of the contestants are from Damascus high school, two from Clarksburg HS and one from Sherwood HS. Two of the contestants competed for the Post title last year while the other four are first-timers.

On December 15th the Post held an informational meeting for the students and their parents. Contestants were shown the Post spaces, given information on how the contest will be conducted, tips on preparing their speeches as well as delivering them and how contests at follow-on levels will be conducted.

All six contestants attended the meeting. Representing the Legion at the meeting were Post 171 Commander Kevin Mook, Oratorical Committee Chairman Mike Conrad, George Bolling, Tony DeShiro, and Will Trotter.

The Post 171 Oratorical Contest will be held on Saturday, January 16th at 10 AM. The snow date will be Saturday, January 23rd. All are welcome to attend. Good luck to our students!

Brief History of the Challenge Coin

Members of the U.S. military have a long-standing tradition of carrying a special coin symbolizing unit identity and esprit de corps. With bonds forged in battle thousands of miles from home, these custom coins minted for military units capture in metal the essence of their affiliation and their fierce pride. Known to generations of American military personnel as challenge coins, they are a vital part of military life today and are revered by troops in every branch of service.

The tradition of challenge coins can be traced to World War II when American forces deployed to the far reaches of the globe securing the nation's freedom. Soldiers back to World War I and the Civil War left for battle with

a coin from home in their pocket and kept it after the conflict as a lasting remembrance of their wartime experiences.

The popularity of challenge coins spread during the Vietnam War, inspired by Special Forces that minted coins to express the unique identity and strong bond forged between them. Other units wanted their own coin to build camaraderie and symbolize their pride of membership in an elite group.

Today, challenge coins are carried by Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines, as well as lawmen and Firefighters. These coins identify the bearer as a member of a particular unit with a well-defined history and mission. Wherever warriors gather, they challenge each other by “coining.” The group’s unique coin is slammed on a bar to challenge all in the group to display their own coins; he who is last must pay a penalty such as buying a round.

A challenge coin is not merely a token. Challenge coins today are a tangible source of pride for America’s warriors at every level in the chain of command. Commanders use them as on-the-spot awards. Senior military leaders often dole out their coins as gifts to foreign dignitaries or civilian VIPs.

Post 171 also has a challenge coin that can be purchased from Commander Kevin Mook for \$5.00.

DAMASCUS AMERICAN LEGION POST 171 SHRIMP FEAST

The Shrimp dinner is on **Saturday, February 20, 2016**. We serve fried and steamed shrimp, fried chicken, coleslaw, potato salad, baked beans, a cheese platter, a veggie platter, and rolls and butter. This is a great evening for food and dancing.

Dinner is 6:00 – 8:00 PM. Dancing 7:30 – 11 PM. Entertainment is TBD. 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Price for this fun evening is **\$30 per person in advance and \$35 at the door.**

This is one of our Post's major fund-raisers, and we need the membership's help talking it up and selling tickets. We also need help before, during, and after the dinner.

Please contact me about questions or tickets. Dinner Chairman, Paula Gill: 661-618-7638

SHRIMP FEAST
February 20, 2016
DINNER 6 PM

**Advance Tickets at \$30/ea. _____,
\$_____**

Tickets at the door are \$35/ea.

**Contact Paula Gill or any Post 171
Member for tickets,**

Tel. # for Paula: 661-618-7638

Email: 2ndvice@legionpost171.org



Damascus HS Choir – At Our Veterans Day Ceremony



American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 171
A Newsletter for Members & Friends of Damascus Unit 171

JANUARY – FEBRUARY 2016

A Christmas Wish from the Auxiliary President:

The price of freedom is eternal vigilance and we are blessed to share the peace, joy, and love that our soldiers, past and present, have provided for us. In the spirit of the season, I will dispense with the usual auxiliary update and share with you a special poem that I would like to dedicate to all the ladies of the Post 171 auxiliary who work so hard to make our Post and Unit successful. Here's to you Ladies of the Auxiliary!

CHRISTMAS WISH

by Michael Marks

"There's no such thing as Santa," jeered the group of older boys
"there isn't any reindeer, any elves or magic toys."
"Oh yes there is" I cried aloud, my little fists curled tight,
"He's on his way with loaded sleigh to visit us tonight."

"I made the most important wish a boy could ever make
and I've been good for oh so long, been good for goodness sake."
And though the tears burned in my eyes, I swore I wouldn't cry,
I didn't want to be a man, but promised dad I'd try.

That night was spent, just mom and me, like many nights before;
the house was never quite the same since dad went off to war.

We had our Christmas dinner and we sang O Holy Night,
We read about that mean old Grinch and cheered when he did right.

But sadness showed within Mom's eyes as she stood by my bed,
and tucked the covers to my chin and kissed me on the head.
"Don't worry mom," I whispered "things are gonna be all right."
"We're sure to get our Christmas Wish when Santa comes tonight."

I tried my best to stay awake and listen to the roof,
for telltale ring of jingle bells or clop of reindeer hoof.
But snug and warm it wasn't long before I gave a yawn,
And would have gone to sleep but for the noise out on the lawn.

Then came the clump of heavy boots across the hardwood floor,
the tread somehow familiar like I'd heard it once before.
As quiet as a mouse I crept, my eyes flew wide to see
the silhouette that stood alone before the Christmas tree.

His frame was lean and fit, he had no belly big and round,
the heavy sack a duffle that he placed upon the ground.
He didn't wear a stitch of red, the uniform was green,
And not a single jingle bell, just medals could be seen.

And then the strongest arms on earth wrapped 'round and held me tight,
and I knew then that Santa really rode on Christmas night,
and Christmas Wishes did come true, just like I knew they had,
For Santa came on Christmas night and brought me home my dad.

Merry Christmas, Happy New Year, and God bless our troops and veterans!

Marianne DiSomma, Auxiliary President Post 171
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AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST

Thanks to our in-coming Americanism Chairman Kelli Cole. She and I were able to hand deliver Essay Contest packets to 11 local schools on Nov. 13, 2015.

The contest closes Feb.1, 2016 so results and information about the Awards ceremony will be published in the next newsletter.

Sincere thanks to principals & staff of these schools for their continued support of our American Legion programs. We are also indebted to them for inviting members to the many flag-raising assemblies during the week of Nov.11th.

For God & Country,
MaryBeth Talamo, Out-going Chmn.

CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT

Hosted by American Legion Post 171 and the Auxiliary

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit the many student scholarships the Post and the Auxiliary provide during the year to local high school students.

Date: Sunday, January 17th (MLK Weekend) <Rain date will be decided upon, if needed.>

Time: Check-in 12:30 PM, Games begin at 1:30 PM

Cost: \$50 per adult team (Includes food, beverages, mixers. Adult beverages will be provided by the members.)

If you would like to come and cheer on your favorite team, the cost will be \$15 per person

Location: American Legion Post 171, 10201 Lewis Drive, Damascus, MD

Tournament Style: Double Elimination, Blind Draw ~~~ Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

Corn Hole boards and bags will be provided by the Legion.

Pre-register by January 3 to guarantee your spot. Contact Marianne DiSomma at marianne62@msn.com, or by 301-482-2264, or Paula Gill at 661-618-7638

SIGN UP NOW! SPACE IS LIMITED TO 20 TEAMS!

Pocket Flag Project

Unit 171 looks forward to continuing its support of the Pocket Flag Project in 2016. With a balance of approximately 280 folded flags and tentative information on two deployments, another supply of flags has been ordered. Additionally, the Unit will once again be collecting supplies to make care packages for the troops, to be distributed during a deployment visit at BWI in February 2016. Most wanted and needed supplies (in travel size) include: hand sanitizer, chapstick, AA and AAA batteries, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, and disposable razors. And yes, Skittles and bottled water are much appreciated. Cash donations may be sent to the Unit at Post 171. Please contact Liz Popowsky, 301-371-6648 or rayliz53@yahoo.com for information.

Let's pray to bring our troops home in 2016! In the meantime, let's show them our unending support.

CARE PACKAGES FOR DEPLOYING TROOPS

PLEASE HELP US HELP OUR DEPLOYING TROOPS

UNIT 171 IS SOLICITING DONATIONS OF TOILETRIES AND SNACKS TO PRESENT TO TROOPS DEPLOYING FROM THE BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.

UNIT MEMBERS ATTEND DEPLOYMENTS FROM BWI TO PRESENT POCKET FLAGS TO TROOPS AND WOULD LIKE TO SUPPLEMENT THE POCKET FLAGS BY ALSO PRESENTING CARE PACKAGES TO THE TROOPS.

ITEMS TROOPS HAVE EXPRESSED A SPECIFIC NEED FOR:

TOILETRIES: TSA approved travel size)

razors, deodorant, lotion, aspirin, non-aspirin, hand sanitizer, shaving cream, toothpaste/toothbrush, shampoo, hand warmers, hanging air fresheners

SNACKS: (individual serving/individually wrapped)

cheese/peanut butter crackers, granola bars, nutria-grain bars, pop tarts, trail mix, nuts, dried fruit, beef jerkey, rice krispie treats, fruit chews, miniature chocolate candies

MISC. SUPPLIES:

AA and AAA batteries, hand warmers, playing cards, sewing kits

CASH DONATIONS are also greatly appreciated so the unit can purchase supplies for the care packages; checks should be made payable to: ALA Unit 171, designated for “Care Packages for Troops”, PO box 171, Damascus, MD 20872

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR TROOPS!



Sons of the American Legion Squadron, 171

A Newsletter for Members & Friends of Damascus Squadron 171

JANUARY – FEBRUARY 2016

Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and wishing everyone the brightest of New Years. The SAL is in need of more active members. We meet the 2nd Monday of the month at 7 PM. Meetings do not last that long, it would be great to get more members involved. The squadron is working on becoming more involved with all Legion family events and plans on helping with the bingos, dinners, and the Unit's basket bingo as well as looking to create our own events this coming year.

If you have any suggestions to help us in this upcoming year please contact Tony Koontz at tony.koontz@ars.usa.gov or John Wayne at johnboy42081@yahoo.com

Wishing the entire Legion family a wonderful year,
SAL Squadron 171

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COMING EVENTS
Post, Unit & Squadron 171 Calendar

January 2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	
4 th	Post Executive Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
7 th	Post Bingo	7:00 PM
9 th	Pancake Breakfast	7:30 AM
9 th	Blood Drive	8:30 AM-12:00 PM
11 th	SAL Post & Unit Member Meetings	7:00, 7:30 PM
14 th	Post Bingo	7:00 PM
16 th	Post Oratorical Contest	10:00 AM
16 th	MC council, SS Post 41 (Breakfast 8:00)	9:00 AM
17 th	SMD Meeting at Hughesville Post 238 (Lunch at 12:00 PM)	1:00 PM
17 th	Corn Hole Tournament	12:30 PM
21 st	Post Bingo	7:00 PM
23 rd	Post Oratorical Contest (Back up Date)	10:00 AM
23 rd	Post Membership Celebration	2:00 - 5:00 PM
28 th	Post Bingo	7:00 PM
30 th	Montgomery County Oratorical	10:00 AM

February 2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	
1 st	Post Executive Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
4 th	Post Bingo	7:00 PM
8 th	SAL, Post & Unit Member Meetings	7:00, 7:30 PM
11 th	Post Bingo	7:00 PM
13 th	Pancake Breakfast	7:30 AM
13 th	SMD Oratorical at Clinton Post 259	10:00 AM
15 th	DEC Meeting Greenbelt Post 136	1:00 PM
18 th	Post Bingo	7:00 PM
20 th	Shrimp Feast	6:00 PM
25 th	Post Bingo	7:00 PM
28 th	Dept Oratorical at Towson University	1:00 PM

Upcoming Events

7 th March	Post Executive Committee Meeting	7:00 PM
14 th March	Pot Luck Dinner	6:00 PM
14 th March	SAL Post & Unit Member Meetings	7:00, 7:30 PM
19 th March	National Commanders Banquet	5:00 PM
19 th March	Unit Basket Bingo	7:00 PM



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