

“Don't tell me the sky is the limit when there are footprints on the moon.”

September 26, 2011 Post Meeting

No volunteers stepped forward for the main entrée preparation for the September 26, 2011 meeting. The meal will be member potluck selections. The location of the meeting will be dependent upon the weather – good weather above 70 degrees will be Trindle Park – weather below 70 degrees will be Van Meter School cafeteria with the following Post meeting in the school Library. Please contact 515-720-7624 if you have questions on the location and if you have problems in contacting that number or check both locations that evening. Meeting date is September 26, 2011 with meal beginning at 6:00 p.m. Again, Post members attending are asked to bring side dishes, salads, and desserts for the potluck meal. No reservation count is required for this meal.

IMPORTANT –Advance Notice

September 26, 2011 – Land Vote

As you read through the August 22, 2011 Minutes, you will note the written motion submitted regarding the purchase of land adjacent to the current Post property at 910 Main Street. “Motion to proceed with \$5000 offer to Michael W. for strip of property for easement 44' x 350' – motion made and approved to purchase the land”. “This will need 2nd approval at next meeting.” In accordance with the Post Articles of Incorporation relating to land and building motions – excerpted below:

Article XII.

For any resolution amending these Articles or effecting the purchase of real estate or the construction of any building thereon by the Post, a proposed resolution must be (1) submitted in writing and read at a previous regular meeting of the Post and (2) a written notification must have been sent at least 10 days in advance of the next regular Post meeting notifying all Post members that the proposed resolution is to be voted upon. The proposed resolution at this next regular Post meeting may be discussed, modified with majority member approval, or left unchanged. The modified/proposed resolution will then be voted upon for approval by at least two-thirds of all said members in attendance at such meeting provided quorum requirements of Article IX section 4 exist. All votes under this Article shall be by written ballot.

Last month's discussion occurred in the time frame when arrangements for the land purchase were still under negotiations and even as of this writing of this invitation – negotiations are STILL on'going. It is expected that the final decisions for the land dealings will be completed by the September 26 meeting. The intent of Article XII is to give members ample notice of votes on land and building motions to insure their attendance for the IMPORTANT vote. Please consider this as the formal 10 days advance notification so that the motion may be discussed, amended if necessary, and voted upon at the September 26, 2011 meeting.

September 11, 2011 Breakfast

Did you miss the breakfast September 11? Breakfast results will be detailed at the September 26 meeting.

Next Post Event – September 30, 2011

In the continuing efforts of the Building and Fundraising Committee, a Town Hall Information meeting has been scheduled to occur at the Post Building Site at 910 Main Street (one block east of the Wells Fargo Bank in Van Meter). The hours of are from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. September 30, 2011 is the same date as the Van Meter school homecoming football game. Jim Carmel (Minburn Post), Jon West (Minburn Post), and members of the Minburn Auxiliary have committed their volunteer support to assist the Van Meter Post in meal preparations for this event. A BBQ dinner will be provided consisting of pork loin sandwiches (cooked by Jim Carmel), baked beans (cooked by Carl Lyons), potato chips furnished by Jon West, desserts furnished by Minburn Auxiliary and volunteers of the Van Meter community being solicited by Candy Brown. This is an important event and designed to answer questions of legislators, county citizens, and community members of the communities being served by; the Post. The building project purpose to serve families attending burial services at the State Cemetery, Dallas County functions, Dallas county cities, and community members will be discussed and entertained in a Question & Answer format. All Post members are needed to “pull off” this Town Hall meeting. Please attend the weekly Thursday 6:30 p.m. meetings in the basement of the Wells Fargo Bank to learn how you can be involved.

Upcoming Fundraising & Post Events

- Weekly Bldg & Land/Fundraising Planning Mtgs – every Thursday through November (except Thanksgiving) – 6:30 basement Wells Fargo Bank.
- Des Moines coupon books are being purchased under consignment for Post members to sell to friends and family in the Des Moines area. The Post can turn a profit of \$15 for every coupon book sold. Book includes 4 - \$5 coupons to Hy-Vee so purchasers of books have immediate compensation if they shop Hy-Vee and at the same time they will be helping our Post in raising funds. Books will be available for members to sell at the September 26 mtg.
- September 27, 2011 – County American Legion Mtg, new Redfield Post bldg. Starts at 6 p.m.
- October 2, 2011 -- Community Breakfast- 7:30-12.30
- October 24, 2011 – Regular Post Meeting
- November 6, 2011 – Community Breakfast - 7:30-12.30
- November 7, 2011 -- Post 403 members will be waiting tables at the Waukee Pizza Ranch starting at 5 p.m. All tips will be given back to the Post as a fundraiser promotion by Pizza Ranch 448 E. University, Waukee.
- November 11, 2011 – Veterans Day Remembrance
- November 28, 2011 -- Regular Post Meeting
- December 4, 2011 – Community Breakfast 7:30-12.30
- December 4, 2011 -- Post Oratorical Contest – 1 -4 p.m.
- NO December Post Meeting – spend time with your families