## Depew Post No. 1528

P.O. Box 301 Depew, New York 14043



OCTOBER 2011 ISSUE

COMMANDER: GEORGE E. FREDERICK JR.

#### POST MEETINGS

Post meetings are held at 1900 on the second Thursday of every month in Room 200 at the Depew Municipal Building, 85 Manitou St. We invite you and urge you to attend. We are looking for new people to help out on committees and to move into Officer positions.

#### Depew Post Officers (After the 2011 election)

Commander George E. Frederick Jr. 1st Vice-Commander Chester Pawlowski

2nd Vice-Commander
3rd Vice-Commander
Adjutant
Finance Officer

Jacob Schu
Richard Bulman
Richard Walczak
Don Schram

Chaplain George E. Frederick Jr.

#### POST NEWS

Nominations will be held at the April 14th meeting and elections held at the May 12th meeting.

Nominations will be held for the following positions:

Commander
1st Vice-Commander
2nd-Vice Commander
3rd Vice-Commander
Adjutant
Treasurer/Finance Officer
Sgt.-at-Arms

Please plan to attend for this important annual function.

Bill Miskell has been elected Erie County Commander. Commander Miskell and Dennis McCarthy visited our post at our September meeting and reiterated the need to gain membership and remain active in community functions. The county is looking at reinstating their web site

and will keep posts informed as to progress.

Post 1528 continues to support an American Legion Baseball Team. Information about the 2011 Depew baseball team is available on the Post web site at:

#### http:// www.depewlegion.org

Also see the article on page 4.

# SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Annual Nominations in April and Elections in May 2012
- Post 1528 receives prestigious awards for exceeding membership goals
- Post 1528 supports Eagle Scout Project
- Post 1528 Annual Fund Raiser to kick off in February 2012
- Annual Christmas Party

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# "THE POST HAS RESOLVED TO PAY THE ANNUAL DUES OF POST MEMBERS IN THE SERVICE ON ACTIVE DUTY."

#### Membership Dues

The 2011 membership year is over and our Post has 151 members. This represents 104% of our annual goal of 144. At the Erie County convention in June, we received the 1st Place Award for our division. At the NY State convention, we received the Department Award. Membership Chairman Don Schram would like to thank all who helped with this effort, especially CDR. George Frederick and other veterans who signed

up new members. The National Headquarters has created a program for you to pay your dues. PLEASE, DO NOT use this program! It is not yet able to complete the process.

Benefits of the annual dues of \$32.00 per year include the American Legion magazine and, most important, helps us support our returning veteran's and their families.

2012 dues are due now. If you have not yet renewed,

please consider doing so. The Post has resolved to pay the annual dues of Post members in the service on active duty. Active duty service members may send their dues renewal form and a note with their current duty status to the Post, in care of Don Schram. The address is:

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#### OUR WEB SITE

The Post 1528 website provides Post contact information, links to various related web sites and information on upcoming events for our post and other posts in the area. We also have a Facebook link where those visiting the site can leave "wall" messages and comments. The web site URL is:



members. We feel this will

assist us in keeping you updated as well as get our Post information to more people, in a more expeditious manner. This also saves your Post postage for the mailings.

Please feel free to contact me at:

jschu@depewlegion.org with any comments or suggestions. This e-mail is also linked to the "Webmaster" link on the home page.

The "Members Page" link provides members with access to such information as Officer contacts, News and Notices, Meeting minutes and Sick Call. These links are located to the left of the page, below the pictures of the various service

monuments. There is also a baseball schedule and events section.

Officers have access to a separate page that allows access to Post administrative documents.

We hope the website will become a main source of information for our members, both here and overseas.

Please send me your e-mail addresses!



Your dues help to support our veteran's

### Veteran's Day 2011

Members of Post 1528 have been active in supporting the Depew Joint Veteran's Committee activities and will continue to do so for 2011. Please plan to participate in this important salute to our Veteran's.

Veteran's Day Services will be held on Friday, November 11, 2011. Final details have not yet been worked out.



"All gave some; some gave all"

Remembered, wherever they may lie

## POST 1528 SUPPORTS EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

The Eagle Scout Project led by Nicholas Sugg took place at St. Augustine's Cemetery, which is located at 25 Cemetery Road, Lancaster, NY 14086. He led a group of volunteers to beautify the area around the flag, by putting interlocking pavers around in a circle, with a diameter of 27 feet. They then filled the flower bed with soil, stepping stones and planted various seasonal perennials. Finally he added solar lighting that illuminates the flag pole at night. The second part of Nicholas' Eagle Project was laying crusher run #1 stone around all twelve (12) water faucets. He and his volunteers laid the stone two (2) feet back and installed it so each area ran out to the road. He then led his team in trim-

ming around the bases of fifty-two (52) trees in the loop at the cemetery. They then added riverbed stone around the bases of the trees to improve drainage. The project work took place over a three day period, from July 23rd through July 25th. In total, Nicholas expended in excess of 397 hours during the project and is now one step closer to Eagle Scout. Congratulations!

The American Legion

STILL SERVING AMERICA

## SICK CALL

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Please call Commander George Frederick at 479-7050 or Don Schram at 668-8734 if you know of a member who is ill or has passed away.

Also, please pass this information on to the Webmaster, that it can be posted in the

Member's Only section of our web site.

Recently passed: Charles P. Groth, Joseph T. Komanski, John E. Hout, Donald E. Maines, Fred Zasowski

Sick call: Ed Grzybek, Joe Peters, Peter Riester



### Annual Fund Raiser

Enclosed are tickets for the annual February lottery. Tickets are \$3.00. Please send your check to: Post 1528, P.O. Box 301, Depew, NY 14043. If you need more tickets, contact Rich Walczak at (716) 472-2591. If you sell 10 tickets, you get one free. Our Fundraiser benefits our youth program and mainly our baseball team.



## ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The annual Post 1528 Christmas Party will be held December 8, 2011 at the Amvets Buddy Knaus Post, 4721 Broadway, Depew, NY.

Open bar at 1800

Dinner at 1900

#### LEGION BASEBALL

Post 1528's baseball team had a very disappointing 2 -16 season in 2011. We lost three starting pitchers within the first three weeks, putting us in a bind for the rest of the season. Efforts are already underway to regroup for 2012 and make it the best season it can be.

Thanks to all who helped out.