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AUGUST MEETING CANCELLED FOR THE SUMMER

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Annual Department Convention Post 16 receives 4 awards







Pictured (L-R) Post Adjutant Larry Hill holding the Boys State Department Award. Post Commander Rick Sciapiti holding the Newsletter of the Year Award, and Post First Vice-Commander Steve Bergadine holding the 100% Membership award and Post Flag Ribbon.

We had an outstanding Department Convention this year in Florence, Oregon at the 3 Rivers Casino.

The three day event which draws Legionnaires from all around the State was typical with committee meetings, business and a main banquet with the ALA, and SAL.

Former Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs Director Jim Willis was elected to the high-office of Department of Oregon Commander. Jim served as Legion's Department of Oregon 1st Vice-Commander before being elected.

The headline above reads that Post 16 received 4 awards, and only three of them are shown in the pictures.

The reason is that a very rare and unheard of award was given to Post 16 by the American Legion Auxiliary for our sponsorship of Dystini Schuster to Girls State. Dystini was voted one of two Girls State participants who is going to "Girls National" in Washington DC.

This prestigious award turned heads at the Saturday morning awards ceremony according to our Post Adjutant Larry Hill. over to page 2

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Department Convention Girls State Trophy



Post 16's Girls State Julie Wichman Trophy

Larry representing the Post went up and accepted the "Julie Wichman "Girls State

Trophy. The Trophy is in certificate form and can be viewed on the wall at the Post. Commander Rick Sciapiti



United States Coast Guard August 4,1790

meeting attendance drops off

The officers at the Post are in the process of drafting a survey questionnaire that addresses Post attendance.

For the past few years, the Post has been experiencing a reduction in meeting and activity attendance. While the Veterans Day Breakfast is always a well attended event, as well as the hosted "Four Chaplains" ceremony; regular attendance at monthly meetings is way off.

For the past two months there have been more officers in attendance than rank and file members. The cost of the luncheon is also digging into Post funds.

The Post is going to mail out a questionnaire with return postage, asking to answer a few simple questions related to attendance.

The Post leadership really wants to know what it will take to get members to attend the regular scheduled meetings.

Does the meeting day need to go back to weekday evenings, or some other day and time.

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Continuing Story from last month

Maj. Gen. Marion Carl's Uniform

By Jim Barnett

When I found out that the "Cub" plane General Carl soloed in that our committee had fully restored 16 years ago was finally placed in the Eugene Air & Space Museum, I called them to find out if they had the plane and what they were going to do with it. Their reply was to put the wings back on, clean it up and display it. I asked about other plans and they said they would like to have a mannequin with the General's uniform on it. I told them I would check with Bruce Carl, the General's son and see if he had any of



US Marine Corps Maj. Gen. Marion Carl's uniform

his father's uniforms, and if so I would provide the uniform and any other items that could be displayed in a case by the plane.

In going through the remaining uniforms with Bruce I was able to get a Marine Dress Green uniform with his two stars & ribbons. I realized I was missing the cover and collar ornaments, a General's cover, a tie and uniform shoes.

All of the missing items have now been replaced thanks to the generosity of numerous Veterans from the Army, Marines and the Navy.

I had never put together a two star General's uniform, but after checking Marine Corps Uniform Regulations I now have the uniform ready to be placed on a manneguin.

When I get the word from the museum I will take the uniform and other display items to ensure that they are displayed properly.

The location of the display will be as follows: Eugene Air & Space Museum, 90377 Boeing Drive in Eugene. Their hours of operation are Wednesday -Sunday 12 Noon - 4:00 PM. The phone number of the Museum is (541) 461-1101.

Website: http://www.oasm.info/

Building Lighting Upgrade

As reported in the last issue of the Newsletter, the Post qualified for an Oregon Energy Trust rebate program to facilitate the upgrade from incandescent and florescent lighting to modern LED lighting..



In order to qualify the Post submitted and application through our contractor Better Way Electric along with past utility bills. After some delays with the OET, and one last form that included all our non-profit tax information, replacement parts were ordered.

We're pleased to report that the project is complete and our interior building has modern low cost LED lighting.

Oregon Energy Trust estimates an energy coast savings to the Post of over \$400.00 annually.



We want to thank Bill Ratledge of Better Way Electric LLC, for the fine job he did on the upgrade.

Woops!

A Delta Air Lines jetliner with 130 passengers on board landed at the wrong airport in South Dakota on Thursday July 7th.



The Delta A320 landed at Ellsworth Air Force Base at 8:42 p.m. Central Time Thursday, when its destination was an airport in Rapid City.

It's not the first time a commercial airlines has landed at the Air Force Base. In 2004 a Northwest Airliner made the same mistake.

From Air Force Headline News

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September Meeting

Briefing from Boys and Girls State students

Mark your calendars for Saturday September 10th. The monthly meetings will resume after a month off for the summer, with a special meeting featuring the Boys and Girls we sponsored this year to Department's "Boys and Girls State".

The meeting will begin at noon, with a very short formal meeting, getting through the minutes and finance report, then on to the reports from our High School guests.

Everyone is invited to attend the luncheon following the meeting.

There will be another reminder in the September Newsletter.

Rifle Raffle Fundraiser

Thanks to you all who purchased tickets



Henry Big Boy .38/.357 Magnum—Octagon barrel

Now we wait for the Veterans Day breakfast to find out who the winner of this year's raffle will be. See you on Friday November 11th between 7-10 AM for the drawing.

GOOD LUCK!

Service Members May Soon

Be Allowed To Carry On Installations

From Stars and Stripes-July 2016

New DoD policy will soon further clarify commanders' authority to allow service members to carry and store weapons on and off military installations.

The Defense Department is close to releasing its updated policy for arming troops at facilities in the United States following several attacks,



including the shooting deaths of four Marines and a sailor last July, a Pentagon spokesman said Monday.

The policy, which could be unveiled by September, will further clarify commanders' authority to allow service members to carry and store weapons on and off military installations. The guidance will regulate privately owned and military-issued weapons, said Army Maj. Jamie Davis, a Pentagon spokesman.

On July 16, 2015, Mohammed Abdulazeez opened fire at a recruiting station and reserve center in Chattanooga, killing five and wounding one Marine and a police officer. 40 people were killed during single gunman assaults at military facilities, including two shootings at Fort Hood and one at the Navy Yard in Washington D.C.



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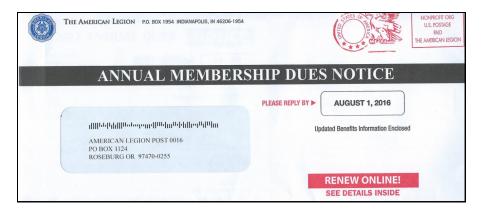




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Don't delay, get your membership sent in today or come by the Post Mondays or Fridays from 1-3 PM. There is an online pay option too at American Legion.org.

Challenge Coins awarded for meeting attendance

First Vice-Commander Steve Bergadine discovered that we have a large inventory of custom made challenge coins stashed away in the office from a past project.

The 1st Vice-Commander thought it would be fitting to present the Post members a coin as a token of appreciation for attending the monthly meeting, and so he did at the July meeting. A number of Legionnaires who were in attendance received a coin.

Those in attendance at the September meeting who come to hear the Boys and Girls State kids give us their talks, will be given a challenge coin in appreciation of their participation.



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7	& Post Open 1-3 American Legion Post 152 3:30pm Oakland City Hall	9 AWVA 5PM @ the Post	10	11	12 Post Open 1-3	13 Meeting Cancelled for August
14	15 Post Open 1-3	16 DCVF 5PM @ the Post	17	18 MOPH 4PM @ Post Legion Post 123 6 PM Vets Hall Tri-City	19 Post Open 1-3	20 Sea Cadets @ the Post
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