

SOLDIER & CITIZEN

A Quarterly Newsletter free for our Members

American Legion Post #26 702 W. 35th St. Davenport, IA 52806

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Upcoming Months' Events

October

National Disability/ Employment Month

Oct 1, 5:00 pm E Board Mtg
Oct 2, 6:00 pm - Bingo
Oct 7, 7:00 am - Breakfast
Oct 9, 6:00 pm - Bingo
Oct 10, 7:00 pm - 40 & 8 Mtg
Oct 11 - 17, Fall NEC Mtg
Oct 12 - 13, SAL Fall NEC Mtg
Oct 14, 6:00 pm Membership Mtg
Oct 16, 6:00 pm Bingo
Oct 18, 5:00 pm - 2nd Dist. Hosp. Night
Oct 19, 7:00 am 2nd Dist. Fall Conference
Oct 26 - Nov 1, National
Legion College

*** Remember - Always Check the Website for additional Calendar Entries, as we only have a limited amount of space. ***

Schedule of Events

Nov

National Membership Retention Month

Nov 2 - No Rentals Nov 4, 5:00 pm - Genealogical Society Nov 5, 5:00 pm - E Board Mtg Nov 6 - Bingo Nov 7 - Clean Kitchen hood Nov 7, 6 - 8 pm Pack Mtg Nov 8 - Strip Kitchen floors Nov 9 - Wax Kitchen floors Nov 10 - Put Kitchen Back together Nov 11, 6:00 pm Member Mtg Nov 13—Bingo Nov 20 - Bingo Nov 21 - Marine Corps League Nov 27 - Bingo Nov 30, 9 am - 6 pm Dessert Family Reunion

Dec

Holiday Donor Blood Drive Month

Dec 3, 6–7:30 pm Pack
Mtg
Dec 3, E Board Mtg
Dec 4 - Bingo
Dec 5, 6 - 9 pm Military Explorer's
Christmas Party
Dec 11 - Bingo
Dec 9 - Membership Mtg 6 pm
Dec 10 - Tiger Den 6:30 pm
Dec 18 - Bingo
Dec 25 - No Bingo
Dec 12 - Marine Corps League
Nov 27 - Bingo
Dec 25, 9 am - 6 pm Gaul

Family Reunion

Post Everlasting

Funerals Conducted September

Alexander Chappen
Allen Calvert
Barry Foley
Donald Creech
James Boland
James Cluff
James Grothusen
Lorrell Foulks
Matt Rusell
Orson Bauder
Raymond Wulf
Richard Baker
Robert Graham
Ronald Smith

Let us always remember our fallen soldiers and what legacy they leave behind.

Chaplain's Message

If anyone knows of a Legion member that may be ill or in the hospital, please contact Chaplain Don Heister. He would like to pay a visit to offer spiritual guidance. You may reach Chaplain Heister at 563-445-8648.

VA Coordinator

Anyone needing help with a claim or information about the VA you may contact Dave Woods at:

(563)326-8723

Post 26 New Receptionist

We would like to wish Marlene Marolf good luck in her new position as the Post 26 Office receptionist.

Her office hours will be from 9:00 am until 12:00 noon Monday through Friday. So if you happen to be going by the post please stop in and say Hi to Marlene and wish her well as she goes forward in the Job.

GOOD LUCK, Marlene!!!!!

Holiday Announcement

I know that this is the beginning of October 2013, but how time fly's when your having fun.

On behalf of the Post Officers and the E-Board, I would like to Extend to Every Member, Auxiliary Member, and SAL member a hearty **Thank you** for everything that you do, for being a member of this American Legion Post Family.

Also I would like to extend **Best Holiday wishes to Everyone** for the upcoming Holidays this year.

Thank You,

Dave Jones Post 26 Vice-Commander/ Post 26 Newsletter Editor

BINGO

We are in need of Volunteers for our Bingo Operation. We accept anyone, if you have 1 to 2 hours or perhaps you can't sleep come out and help us clean-up the hall any time is appreciated we are also looking for a back up Cashier. Please Let me Know?

Dave Jones— 563-570-0154

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Post 26 is holding it's Pancake Breakfast on the first Sunday of each month. The hours are 7:00 am to 11:00 am.

Menu

Pancakes, Scrambled eggs, Sausage Links, Potatoes and Biscuits and Gravy.

Coffee, Juice and Milk \$7.00 for adults. This is open to the public.

2013 Police and Fire Awards

Davenport Fire Department



Fireman Derek Freeze, Fire Chief Lynn Washburn, Fireman Mike Putnam, Adjutant Allan Johnston



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Davenport Police Department



Sgt. Kevin Smull



Sgt. Brad Jensen, Det Brendon Koepke, Sgt. Kevin Smull and Adjutant Allan Johnston

Auxiliary Newsletter

Unit 26 October 2013

The meeting was opened by President Andrea Kimmerle, prayer by Syvena Letts, the Chaplin. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

The motion was made to donation \$100.00 to the American Legion Auxiliary Emergency Fund. The Motion was carried, so we will give them \$100.00.

Our coupons are up to\$85,000 and we are close to another box full of pop tabs. I want to thank everyone who helps with these projects.

October, 6th is the Legion next breakfast, the auxiliary will be doing there bake sale again.

October, 15th is our next meeting for the Auxiliary. October, 18th and 19th is 2nd District Fall Conference here at our post.

October, 26, we are to have 75% of our membership for this year. We have 75 members paid for this year so far. I want to thank those members who all ready paid, so please keep the membership coming in.

We are collecting hats and gloves for needy children again this year. October, 21, at 1:00 is the packing party, here at the post.

We sang God bless America, Prayer by Syvena and the meeting was adjourned by President Andrea Kimmerle.

For God and Country Andrea Kimmerle, President





Guest Who???????

If you know who this is; then contact Andrea Kimmerle at the Post.

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Return Service Requested

Office Hours 9:00 am till noon Weekdays

Membership Meetings 2nd Monday of the Month Dinner—6:00pm [\$5.00] Meeting follows

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USS Cole Bombing



The USS *Cole* bombing was a <u>suicide attack</u> against the <u>United States Navy guided-missile destroyer</u> <u>USS *Cole* (DDG-67) on 12 October 2000, while it was harbored and being refueled in the <u>Yemen</u> port of <u>Aden</u>. Seventeen American sailors were killed, and 39 were injured. This event was the deadliest attack against a United States Naval vessel <u>since 1987</u>.</u>

The terrorist organization <u>al-Qaeda</u> claimed responsibility for the attack. A U.S. judge has held <u>Sudan</u> liable for the attack,

while another has released over \$13 million in Sudanese frozen assets to the relatives of those killed. The American Navy has reconsidered their <u>rules of engagement</u> in response to this attack.

On the morning of Thursday, 12 October 2000, USS *Cole*, under the command of <u>Commander Kirk Lippold</u>, docked in Aden harbor for a routine fuel stop. *Cole* completed mooring at 09:30. Refueling started at 10:30. Around 11:18 local time (08:18 <u>UTC</u>), a small craft approached the port side of the destroyer, and an explosion occurred, creating a 40-by-40-foot gash in the ship's port side, according to the memorial plate to those who lost their lives. According to former CIA intelligence officer Robert Finke, the blast appeared to be caused by explosives molded into a <u>shaped charge</u> against the hull of the boat. Around 400 to 700 pounds (200–300 kg) of explosive were used. The blast hit the ship's <u>galley</u>, where crew were lining up for lunch. The crew fought flooding in the engineering spaces and had the damage under control after 3 days. Divers inspected the hull and determined that the <u>keel</u> was not damaged.

17 sailors were killed and 39 were injured in the blast. The injured sailors were taken to the <u>United States Army</u>'s <u>Landstuhl Regional Medical Center</u> near <u>Ramstein</u>, Germany, and later, back to the United States. The attack was the deadliest against a U.S. naval vessel since the Iraqi <u>attack on the USS Stark</u> on 17 May 1987. The <u>asymmetric warfare</u> attack was organized and directed by the terrorist organization <u>al-Qaeda</u>. In June 2001, an al-Qaeda recruitment video featuring Osama bin Laden boasted about the attack and encouraged similar attacks