

UNIT 484

HAPPENINGS

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month

June 2021

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Debbie Holden

513-400-7485

May 11 was election of officers for 2021 – 2022. Here are Unit 484's officers for this coming year.

President – Debbie Holden
1st Vice – Vicki Monroe
2nd Vice – Sue Bernard
Secretary – Lauren Campbell Kong
Treasurer – Liz Castle
Chaplain – Karol Monroe
Sgt. @ Arms – Tricia Oehler
Historian – Julie Broughton
Executive Board:
Annabelle Anderson Franz
Michelle Cremering
Sandy Pennington

Thanks to Head Teller, Arlene Potter and Jackie Ruzsa and Kim Berry for assisting in the election tally. Other thanks go to the two new members of the Unit's Officers, Sue Bernard for volunteering to be 2nd Vice and Julie Broughton for volunteering for Historian. Thanks to all the Unit Members for volunteering for another year of service to the Unit. Officers will start in their positions June 1.

Unit 484 would like to see more members at the meetings. If you are able to join us, the meetings are on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm. The social time, if you would like to attend for some good food and conversation is at 7:00 pm before the meeting. If you need a ride, please contact one of the officers and we will make arrangements to pick you up and get you home.

COVID restrictions are easing up in Ohio and Unit 484 has done a great job of following the guidelines set by the governor and health officials. More events will be starting up again and all of the Legion Family would love to see you at one of them.

Until then, stay safe!



Debbie

**BREAKFAST BUFFET Tricia Oehler 513-476-8597
June 13 – 9am- Noon**

Hello Legion Family! May breakfast was wonderful, and we served many deserving mothers! Now we want to honor our fathers. Bring your dad, grandfather or husband to breakfast June 13 and he will eat for \$5. As a reminder, adults are \$9 and children 5 and up are \$5 - all you can eat. We serve from 9-12.

The breakfast crew will be taking a break for July and August. When we return in September we hope to be back to normal. Of course, we will follow any in place restrictions and will inform everyone in the August newsletter. As always, we would love to see your smiling face. tricias.work@gmail.com.

VA & R Liz Castle 513-232-5648

As it has been the Cinti. VAMC is still shut down to visitors.

With the Covid-19 restrictions being lifted in many places we are hoping that the Cincinnati VA Hosp. will be allowing visitors very soon. We are hoping to resume our monthly bingo and snack visits on Fridays. I will let you know as soon as I find out.

Remember our Veterans need us more now than ever. If you know of any veteran shut in because of the pandemic please reach out to them, even just to talk.

COMMUNITY SERVICE Liz Castle 232-5648

If you have not yet attended our monthly quarter auction you have been missing a fun evening. And because of it we were again able to donate food items to the SEM food Pantry. This is a most needed service for many members of our less fortunate in our community.

We are still collecting pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. You can bring them to the meeting or contact me and we can arrange to pick them up.

If anyone is doing any runs or walks, maybe virtual, your Unit would like to donate and help your charity.

Please let us know if you have a charity that you would like us to help.

MEMBERSHIP Vicki Monroe 513-231-3572

CONGRATULATIONS Unit 484!!!

There is still time to get your membership dues in if you have not yet done so. Also, there is still a drawing at our May meeting for a chance to win \$25.00. All you need to do is recruit a new member and your name will be entered.

JUNIOR GIRLS

If there is anything the Jr. Girls can help with, please let us know! They are willing and wanting to help their Legion Family. The next Jr meeting will be March 9th at 7pm. We'd love to see new faces!



**CHILDREN AND YOUTH
Sandy Pennington. 513-231-6697**

There is not a lot to report this month, except, as Governor Dewine relaxes the Covid restrictions, and life (hopefully!) returns to normal, more opportunities will be available for our unit chairman to be more active with our community, our veterans and our families! In the meantime, things you can do is to support the Freestore Food Bank, and/or SEM Food Pantry on Beechmont Avenue. (Their phone number is 513.231.1412 if you have any questions.) Food insecurity is still a prevalent concern for our children and indeed for many families. Please do what you can to help our fellow neighbors and veteran families right here in the heart of Mt. Washington.



AMERICANISM Vicki Monroe 513-231-3572

Our 4th of July parade will take place on July 3rd at 10:00. I have been told it will strictly be a "ride" only parade. At this time, they are looking at starting at Big Ash Brewery and ending at the Post. We will not be hosting the Bikes and Trikes Contest. We **WILL** be having our Americanism Booth and our famous BAKE SALE. Start dusting off your recipes and help us out with cakes, pies, cookies muffins, coffee cakes, etc. We just suggest not having chocolate icing as it melts in the heat. Please have your baked goods at the Post by 9:30 am on July 3rd. Can't bake? No problem. Come down and pick up breakfast or dessert for your holiday celebration.



QUARTER AUCTION Vicki Monroe 231--3572

June 17th is our next Quarter Auction. The Auction always has great items up for bid, good food and a lot of fun. The Auction is the third Thursday of the month. Doors open at 6:00 and the Auction begins at 7:00. We are usually done by 8:30. I hope you will come down and join us.

LEGISLATIVE Karol Monroe 513-915-3331

If anyone has written, emailed or contacted any member of our government from state to federal concerning veteran related legislation and received a response, let me know for my reports. You don't need to give details concerning your interactions, only the estimated time spent.

If you are on Facebook, go into your settings (usually those three bars at the top right of your news feed), scroll down until you find Town Hall. In this area you will find contact information for your local, state and federal representatives and senators including the president and vice president.

NATIONAL SECURITY Karol Monroe 513-915-3331

Josh, our adopted soldier has signed on for two more years in the Air Force.

I'm currently looking for ideas in which we can help or aid Josh in the coming year.

I will get more information on Josh's new address as soon as I can. Until then, continue to pray for him.

BUCKEYE GIRLS STATE Vicki Monroe 513-231-3572

Our 4 girls are eager to get to Buckeye Girls State. They have all taken their orientation. We will be giving each of them \$20.00 so they can either purchase a Buckeye Girls State shirt or buy some snacks for their weeklong adventure. BGS will be different this year. Instead of 900 girls, we are limited to 460. There will be no roommates. Each girl will have her own room. There will be strict enforcement of COVID-19 guidelines to make sure our girls are safe

CHAPLAIN Karol Monroe 513-915-3331

During our May meeting, we held our Auxiliary Memorial Service for the members we have lost this year.

Please continue to stay safe and if you decide to get vaccinated, we pray that you come through them in great health.

Continue to pray for Mary Nash and her husband Rick. He's still very sick.

You can call, text or email (karol.monroe@aol.com) anytime.

Please continue to pray for each other, our elections this May, an end to the pandemic, our veterans, military, world and national leaders, our community and most especially, for opportunities to serve in every way we can.



ATTENTION AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS & SUPPORTERS

Hope you were able to attend the Riders Bike Nite in May because by the time you read this, it will be over. The results will be given in next month's bulletin so stay tuned! Hopefully the Riders will have another Bike Nite soon and you can be there for that one.

Welcome to The Inspiration Box! Sandy Pennington. 513-231-6697

"The purpose of the Constitution is to restrict the majority's ability to harm a minority." James Madison, 4th U.S. President

"The Constitution does not just protect those views we share; it also protects those with whose views we disagree." Edward Kennedy, former U.S. Senator

Cookbook Michelle Cremering 513-476-1052

If you would like a cookbook, they are still available. You can get them at an Auxiliary meeting, at legion events, in the post bar or by sending a check, delivery address and phone number to the post, attention Auxiliary Cookbook. The cost of each cookbook is \$10. We've already made almost \$600 for our programs. Get yours before they're gone.

Poppy Debbie Holden 513-400-7485

There was a lot going on at the May meeting so instead of an activity, a number was drawn for the prize. The lucky winner was Kim Berry.

More to come on the mail-in donation letters that were sent at the beginning of the month.

Take care.



DATES TO REMEMBER

JUNE EVENTS

- 2nd Executive Board Meeting 7 pm
- 8th Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 Social Time, 7:30 meeting
- 8th Junior Girls Meeting 7:00
- 13th Breakfast 9 am to 12 noon
- 14th Flag Day Ceremony 6:30
- 17th Quarter Auction 6:00 doors open 7:00 starts

JUNE BIRTHDATES

- 1st Judy Washburn
- 3rd Helen Maddux
- 6th Delores Alsip
- 6th Gaynell Homan
- 12th Lynn Sollberger
- 13th Jackie Grubbs
- 13th Chyrl Rowe
- 22nd Linda Ann Teeters (JR)

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- 3rd Debbie & Philip Newsome
- 10th Doris & Charles (Chuck) Holton
- 10th Arlene & Ron Potter
- 19th Carolyn & Steven Dressell

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR **PAM YOUNG 232-5084**

Please send articles or information to pjyoung@fuse.net before the 15th of the month. Please continue to send email addresses or updates to Jackie at jmederruzsa@ERSLIFE.ORG or call her at 474-6710.

Thanks to everyone for sending articles for the newsletter.

