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# First Formation

**Events for Winter 2016/2017**

NO MEETING DECEMBER  
 for DAV 32 or Auxiliary.

Any information that needs to  
 be included in the Wisconsin  
 VFW News must be submitted  
 to Marge Freeman by December  
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Dec 6: County Legion Meeting  
 at Cazenovia, 7:30

Dec 8: Cazenovia Post 491,  
 Soup supper at Legion hall, 4-  
 7PM

Dec 11: Cazenovia Post 491 card  
 party, Legion Hall, 1:30

Dec 12: Lone Rock Legion 383,  
 Veterans' Memorial Meeting,  
 Village Office, 6:30

Dec 13: Viola Legion 447 Aux  
 meeting 1PM and regular Legion  
 meeting 7PM

Dec 13: VFW Post 2267 and  
 Aux Christmas Party 6:30.  
 Please contact Larry Winger if  
 you plan to attend.

Dec 14: VFW Post 2267 and  
 Aux will be at the Richland  
 County bank from 9AM to 3:30  
 PM for their annual collection  
 for the Tomah VA. Suggested  
 items for that collection are  
 unscented toiletries, crossword  
 puzzles, checkers, gripper socks,  
 lap blankets, coloring pencils  
 with books to color, simple craft

items not requiring tools, battery  
 operated candles, Christmas  
 cards, sugarless candy, and large  
 print stories.

Dec 15: Legion Post 13 Richland  
 Center Christmas Dinner. Legion  
 Hall 6PM.

Dec 20: Cazenovia Legion 491  
 regular meeting and Christmas  
 party, 6PM. Come help us bag  
 candy for Santa

Dec 20: Lone Rock Legion 383,  
 Post and Aux Christmas dinner,  
 Masonic Hall 5:30, monthly meet-  
 ing follows.

Dec 21: 8AM Cazenovia Legion  
 491 Santa and accompanying vet  
 elves will delivery candy to grades

preK to 5 and Weston schools.  
 Starring Jim Dietelhoff as the bad  
 elf!

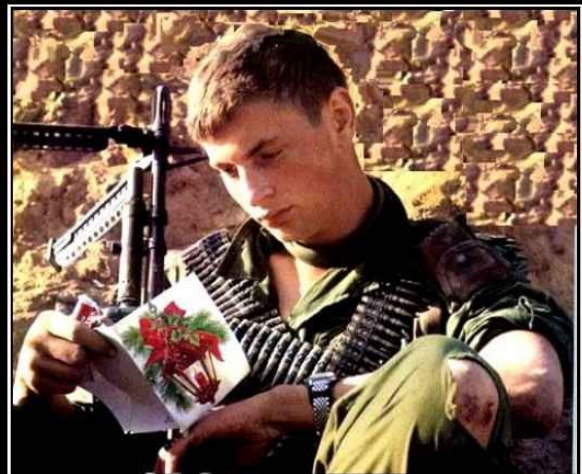
Dec 21: Lone Rock Legion 383  
 Vet's Roll meeting, Masonic Hall,  
 6PM. Aux meeting 5PM

Jan 7: Viola Legion 447 Christ-  
 mas party, 11AM

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 ple Heart, regular meeting, RC  
 Legion Hall, 7PM

Jan 8: Cazenovia Legion 491  
 Euchre and Sheepshead card  
 party, 1:30 PM

Jan 9: Lone Rock Legion 383 Vet  
 memorial meeting , Village Of-  
 fice, 6:30



**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

Remember those unable to be with their  
 loved ones this Holiday Season

**Events (Ctd. From page 1)**

Jan 10: Viola Legion 447 Aux meeting 1PM, regular Legion meeting 7PM

Jan 17: Cazenovia Legion 491 Regular meeting 7PM

Jan 17: Lone Rock Legion 383, regular meeting at Library, 7PM

Jan 18: Lone Rock 383 Aux meeting 5PM at Masonic Hall

Jan 26: DAV 32, Regular meeting , 5:30, RC Legion Hall.

February: No date set yet for Legion Post 13 Pie auction and chili dinner. Call Tom Perry for information.

Feb 7: Richland County Legion meeting at Lone Rock Library, 7:30

Feb 8: Viola Legion 447 Aux meeting 1PM, regular post meeting 7PM

Feb 12: Cazenovia Legion 491 card party, 1:30 PM

Feb 13: Lone Rock 383 Vet's Memorial meeting, Village Hall, 6:30

Feb 21: Cazenovia Legion 491, regular meeting 7PM

Feb 21: Lone Rock 383 post meeting, 7PM at library

Feb 22: Lone Rock 383 Aux meeting 5PM, Vet's Roll meeting 6PM at Masonic Hall

Feb 23: DAV 32, Regular meeting at RC Legion Hall, 5:30.

Feb 28: Cazenovia Legion 491, Fat Tuesday soup supper, 4-7PM at Legion Hall.

The Military Order of the Purple Heart Ceremony designating Richland Center as the first Purple Heart Community in the United States has been held, but the Order is still fundraising for the local signage. If you want to contribute or have any fund raising ideas to help this project, call Bill Lobb, 538-3194



**“No man can tame a tiger into a kitten by stroking it. There can be no appeasement with ruthlessness. There can be no reasoning with an incendiary bomb.”**

—FDR, 1941, just prior to Pearl Harbor

From Tom Perry, Commander Legion Post 13, Richland Center:

A heartfelt thank you to all who helped with Veteran's Day programs at our area schools. The events were successful and exceeded expectations. I am very proud of our area Veterans organizations and their continued service to our community.



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## Richland County Legion

From Cecil Groves,  
Commander

- All local Legion members are entitled and encouraged to attend County meetings. Meetings are held at 7:30 on the first Tuesday of even months. In December, it will be in Cazenovia, and in February in Lone Rock.
- The county legion sponsors an Oratorical contest for High School students with cash awards. Runoffs will be held in December.
- The county also hosts a tour of county offices accompanied by an explanation of county officers' duties in late winter or early Spring. Call Cecil for more information: 647-2196.

## **From HQ**

From Karen Knock, VSO

**Are You A Veteran Struggling to Keep Your HEAT and POWER on? Heat for Heroes may be able to help!**

The Heat for Heroes Campaign has teamed up with several State, Federal and Veteran related services to serve as a resource catalyst for Veterans. The Heat for Heroes Campaign, with the support of The Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) provides assistance for heating costs, electric costs, and energy crisis situations.

WHEAP assistance is a one-time payment during the heating season (October 1-May 15). The funding pays a portion of the heating costs. The amount of the energy assistance benefit varies depending on a variety of factors, including the household's size, income, and energy costs. In most cases the energy assistance benefit is paid directly to the household energy supplier.

Your household may be eligible to receive a payment for non-heating electric energy costs through funding provided by Wisconsin's Public Benefits.

WHEAP electric (non-heating) assistance is a one-time benefit payment during the heating season (October 1-May 15). The funding pays a portion of the household's electrical (non-heating) costs. The amount of the non-heating assistance benefit varies depending on a variety of factors, including the household's size, income, and non-heating costs. In most cases the non-heating assistance benefit is paid directly to the household energy supplier.

A household may be eligible for crisis assistance if you have no heat, have received a disconnect notice from the heating vendor, or are nearly out of fuel and do not have the money to purchase more. Crisis assistance is available through local WHEAP agencies that provide a 24-hour crisis phone number to help with emergencies that occur after business hours. Crisis assistance is intended to provide emergency and/or proactive services to assist eligible households experiencing an energy crisis.

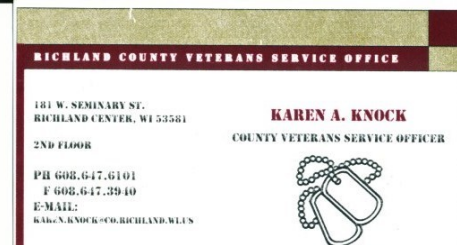
There are also non-emergency or proactive crisis services that include providing information on how to reduce fuel costs, counseling on budgeting and money management, providing payments to a

fuel supplier, and co-pay agreements.

WHEAP emergency heating system assistance can provide services to eligible home owners if the furnace or boiler stops operating during the heating season. Heating system assistance includes payment for repairs, or in some situations your residence may qualify for a total replacement of a non-operating furnace or boiler. Call the local energy assistance office immediately if you are experiencing a no heat situation.

For more information on the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP) and how to apply, please call 1-866-HEATWIS (432-8947), or visit [www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov](http://www.homeenergyplus.wi.gov) to find your local energy assistance agency.

Be sure to contact Heat for Heroes at 800-891-9276, or visit [www.heat4heroes.org](http://www.heat4heroes.org) to inquire on additional assistance available to Veterans.



We are pleased to invite you as our guest to the first annual

## Cemetery Meet & Greet

Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> from 3-7pm  
at the White House

1450 Veterans Dr

Richland Center, WI

Guest speaker presentation at 5pm.

Our guest speaker:

Frank Groh from the

Wisconsin Cemetery & Cremation Association

Frank will be presenting on some basic rights and responsibilities for cemeteries. This gives people a chance to ask question of other cemeteries, find out about hot topics, and find possible volunteers in the community! This event promises to be a wonderful social event with a chance to ask questions.

There will be a bar and restaurant on site.

Vendors, Societies, History Room, ARCH Genealogy, Dave Thompson, Richland County Veterans Service Office, local news sources, and more!

Join us and support our cemeteries!

Any question please call 608-412-3341

## VET BIZ



Managing Partner, MSG Bill Toussaint, USAR, 19 Years of Service

Recent transfer to 300<sup>th</sup> Military History Detachment, Milwaukee

### **It's not too late to send Christmas cheer to a recovering soldier**

If you want to cheer up a recovering Vet,  
send your cards to :

A Recovering American Soldier  
c/o Walter Reed Army Medical Center  
6900 Georgia Ave. NW  
Washington, DC 20307-5001

From Karen:

This event should be a wonderful time for everyone involved. My office will be there with bells on ready to answer questions about Veterans burials, along with many others who play parts in how our cemeteries operate and are maintained. The event has been a collaboration of many entities which has been a wonderful experience so far. Our guest speaker will be addressing rights and responsibilities of cemeteries, townships, and families. We hope to see you January 25<sup>th</sup> here in Richland Center, WI!