

**Drew D. Dix
Medal of Honor Recipient**

**Nothing is ever as bad as you
think it might be.**

**The American Legion of Grand Canyon
John Ivens Post/Unit/Squadron 42
P.O. Box 238
Williams, AZ 86046**

For God & Country





*The American Legion/American Legion Auxiliary/Sons of American Legion
John Ivens Post/Unit/Squadron 42 at Grand Canyon, AZ*

Newsletter

April/May/June 2013

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Legion/Auxiliary/SAL Meetings:
 First Sunday of each month, 2:00 p.m., at:
 Canyon Plaza Resort, Hwy. 64, Tusayan, AZ
(SAL meeting follows Legion meeting)

God Bless the U.S.A.!



Visit our website

www.grandcanyonpost42.org

NEXT Post/Unit/Squadron Meetings:

Sunday May 5, 2013

2:00 PM

Williams Office

June Meetings:

Monday May 27, 2013

Following the Memorial Day Service

Canyon Plaza Resort, Hwy. 64, Tusayan,
AZ

APRIL

Jessica Raines (A)

Shawn Shields (L)

MAY

John Miller (L)

Dorothy Miller (A)

Erica Rocha (Jr. A)

TAPS/SICK CALL

John Miller had some medical problems recently. He is doing better now and has been home resting.

Mary Hoover has been ill lately, but is home getting better.

Happy Birthday!

To all our Legion, Auxiliary, and SAL
Members with Apr & May ♥ Birthdays

From the Legion

During the April meeting, we had 3 applications turned into the Legion for consideration. All 3 were very good and it was very difficult to determine who would receive the scholarships. After much debate and discussion, the Legion voted to award Luke Streit and Molly Struble for \$5,000 each. Congratulations to all 3 for all the hard work that they put into the applications.

We have 1 boy from the High School who will be attending Boys State in June at NAU. Good luck to Nathan Lenz. Good luck, have fun, and learn how the Government runs.

We have 1 boy going to attend ALLECA. Cody Mead will be spending a week in Northern Arizona in June learning about a career in Law Enforcement. Good luck, have fun and learn about a career in Law Enforcement.

At our annual Official Visit and dinner by the Department Commander, Ken Dowse, we had a nice turnout of members and visitors. Among some of the guests with Commander Dowse were Department Auxiliary President Kathleen Medalen, Detachment SAL Commander Joe Roberts, Department Adjutant John Aldacoa and his wife Sylvia, Assistant Department Angel Jimenez and his wife, Tommie, Department Historian Robert Hernandez and his guest, Candidate for Department Commander, Judy Beischel and her husband Jim, Candidate for Department Commander Jim Burke and his guest Julie Ross, Area C Vice Commander Jeri Strande and her husband, past Area C Vice Commander Jim Strande, Department Secretary Sheila Gallaway and her guest Kenny. A good time was had by all.

We had nominations for officers for the Legion Year 2013-2014 at our April meeting. Here are the nominees:

Commander: Ben Gomez
Sr. Vice Commander: Ron Murphy
Jr. Vice Commander: Al Dunaway

Finance Officer: Scott Miller and Bill Fitzgerald
Good luck to all and represent the Legion.



Post 42 Commander Ben Gomez and Department Commander Ken Dowse

The Post Consolidated Report is due to Department next month. If you have any Community Service, Children & Youth, Americanism or VA&R hours from this past year, please get them down to Pappy.

Upcoming important dates

April 20, District Meeting and Picnic, 11:00 AM, Lake Havasu City
May 25, Cemetery Cleanup, 10:00 AM
May 27, Memorial Service, 11:00 AM
June 20-23, Department Convention, Carefree

From the Auxiliary

The ladies of the Auxiliary are hard at work getting caps and scarfs ready for the Christmas program in December.

We have started sending coupons to the Commissaries overseas for the Military Members and their families. Please bring in unused coupons to the monthly meeting so they can be sent each month. The coupons can not be older than 6 months old and can not be store coupons (safeway, walmart, etc.). When we

send them in, we keep track of the weight, not the dollar amount, so there is no need to completely separate each coupon. Thanks everyone.



Unit President Shannon Mead, Unit Treasurer Maggie Patton, and Department President Kathleen Medalen present Maggie Patton with her 50 year certificate.

We have 1 girl attending Girls State this year at U of A. Good luck to Blythe McBroom-Sweeney. Good luck, have fun, and learn how Government runs.

Shannon and her group of helpers have been busy making pocket flags to send to our service members. They have made another 600 and have sent 300 out already.

Unit President Shannon Mead is going to be participating in the Pat Tillman 4.2 mile run/walk for Military Scholarships on April 20th in Tempe. Good luck.

From the Sons

Sr. Vice Commander Cory Mead is going to be participating in the Pat Tillman 4.2 mile run/walk for Military Scholarships on April 20th in Tempe. Good luck.

From The Past John Ivens Post #42 1937 - 1938

Officers:

Commander; J. A. Metzger, 1st Vice Commander; A. L. Brown, 2nd Vice Commander; E. W. Fambrough, Adjutant; Wm. F. B. Leicht, Finance Officer; P. F. Jones, Chaplain; R. P. Gilliland, Sgt at Arms; John R. Fix, Historian; Wm. F. V. Leicht, Service Officer; R. B. Sullivan.

2 August, 1937: Amendment to the Post By-Laws was proposed and adopted – That on and after this day, five members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of John Ivens Post #42.

6 December, 1937: Country store sale put on by the Post which brought a profit of \$160.00.

14 February, 1938: Legion and Auxiliary party following a membership contest between John Ivens Post #42 and the Auxiliary Unit, which was won by the Unit under Presidency of Mrs. Ethel Lloyd. A turkey dinner was held at the community hall to which all known ex-servicemen in the community were invited. Although the Post lost the contest, it received a Citation of Merit from the Department Commander for having more paid members in 1938 before the year began, than the total of the 1937 membership.

9 May 1938: A party was given for Lillian Catti Tankersley.

Awards presented to the school children winners of essay competition titled "Our Constitution"
1st prize from the Post: \$5.00 to Kenneth Williams
2nd prize from R. E. Gilliland: \$3.00 to William Dowling III

John Ivens Officers (2012-2013)
(Info for New Members and Others)

Post 42 Commander

Ben Gomez

Post 42 Sr. Vice-Commander

Bill Fitzgerald

Post 42 Jr. Vice-Commander

Ron Murphy

Post 42 Adjutant (Membership)

Richard "Dick" Patton

Post 42 Service Officer

Al Dunaway

Post 42 Finance Officer

Scott Miller

Post 42 Sergeant-at-Arms

Ed Rocha

Post 42 Chaplain

Post 42 Historian

Ed Rocha

Unit 42 President

Shannon Murphy

Unit 42 Vice President

Donna Murphy

Unit 42 Jr. Vice President

Rebecca Rocha

Unit 42 Secretary

Rebecca Rocha

Unit 42 Treasurer (Membership)

Maggie Patton

Unit 42 Chaplain

Julia Passalacqua

Unit 42 Historian

Mary Hoover

Squadron 42 Commander

Ed Rocha

Squadron 42 Sr. Vice-Commander

Cory Mead

Squadron 42 Jr. Vice-Commander

Ben Gomez

Squadron 42 Adjutant (Membership)

Ron Murphy

Squadron 42 Sergeant-at-Arms

Bob Blasi

Squadron 42 Chaplain

Terrance Hatcher

Squadron 42 Historian

Scott Miller

Welcome New Members...

and Thanks to Our Renewing Members!

It's easy—just drop off your payment at our office, bring payment to a meeting, or send check or money order to one of the following:

American Legion (\$25.00 per year)

Richard "Dick" Patton, Post 42 Adjutant

979 W. Road 1, North, Chino Valley, AZ 86323

Auxiliary (\$20.00 per year)

Maggie Patton, Unit 42 Treasurer

979 W. Road 1, North, Chino Valley, AZ 86323

SAL (\$12.00 per year)

Ron Murphy, Squadron 42 Adjutant

959 W. Road 1, North, Chino Valley, AZ 86323

Remember – All dues for the Legion year 2012 – 2013 are due on July 1st. If you have not already paid your dues, please do so. Thank You.

Anyone wishing to receive the newsletter via e-mail instead of snail mail, please let Scott Miller or Becky Rocha know by sending them an e-mail at JohnIvensPost42@gmail.com or calling him at 928-635-5904 or contact the office at 928-635-0239 or e-mail at n7ad@qwestoffice.net.

If you move, please either let the office know your new address or send us an e-mail with it. That way, your magazines will continue to arrive along with any other correspondence. This will also help us keep our roster updated. If anyone has anything that they would like for us to put into the newsletter, please let us know. If you did something and have pictures, please send them to us so they can be added to the newsletter.

Please pay your membership dues if you have not already done so. The 2012 cards have now expired and if you go to a legion for dinner or drinks, you may not be served with the expired card.

Thanks,
Scott and Becky