



American Legion

Centennial Post 209

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FELLOW LEGIONAIRES:

ITEM 1:

Our next meeting will be at 7:30P.M. on Thursday, 20 November 1980 at the DAV Home, 2101 Willamette. Lets have a good turn out. To repeat myself - the meetings are constructive and the after-meeting comraderie is enjoyable.

ITEM 2:

It is with deep regret and sorrow that I must report the sudden death of our comrade Walt Peritz. Walt passed-on on 5 November 1980 from a heart attack. His body was shipped to Minnesota for interment. We should all feel a sense of loss for this loyal Legionaire who did all he could for the good of our post. At the meeting I would like to discuss some fitting tribute to honor him.

ITEM 3:

We're not doing too well in our membership drive. We're bogged down at 44 members. We require 60 to just meet our quota. Based on our discussion of this at our last meeting, John Kovar has made some contacts at UCCS and we should discuss these in detail and finalize what actions we will take.

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ITEM 4:

BINGO - Our written agreement with Sertoma has been signed by both parties and is in effect, but we - Post 209 - need volunteers to carry out our part. It is unfair to expect the same handful of men to do the bingo bit for the good of the post week after week. Even if you can make it only once a month, your help would be appreciated.

ITEM 5:

At our last meeting we briefly discussed having a "Pot Luck" Christmas Party for our post. Please discuss this with your spouse(s) and let's complete our planning on this. We should have more luck than trying to have a formal dinner.

ITEM 6:

This is after-the-fact but I hope as many of you as can make it will be at "The Rock" for Veterans Day. Remember the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month commemorates all those valiant Americans who gave their all so that this great nation can continue to prosper and act with dignity even in the face of adversity.

ITEM 7:

The oratory contest is going to be held in December for our post. I'll need help in the areas of time-keeping, escorting, tabulators, etc. I'll be more specific as I find out what schools, if any, will compete at post level. After that I'll need some more help as I am district and area oratory chairman also. For those I'll get some help from district but I'll still need you to help if past performance is any indicator.

ITEM 8:

Our Constitution is a remarkable document. As hard as we try to make it unworkable, it survives. It demonstrates that survivability every four years (and in unfortunate times, more often). Do you ever reflect on how fortunate we - Americans - are? Our allegiance is not to some perfidious soul but to a living, binding document that sets out our precepts as a free people. Let's hear one for the Constitution of the United States of America - and our new President and his administration.

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