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APOLOGY

This issue may also be late. We were out of town visiting our daughter and family in Concord MA, near Boston from the 18th to the 25th. We also took a side trip to Cooperstown NY to see the Baseball Hall Fame.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations for all offices of the POST will be accepted at the **May 1st, May 15th, and June 5th** meetings, with elections to be held at the **June 19th** meeting. There is a great need for members to step up and run for these offices. All nominees must be present at a meeting to be nominated, or submit a letter to the commander asking to be excused.

MEMORIAL DAY

MAY 29TH is **MEMORIAL DAY.** It is the day we remember those who have preceded us in the battle of life, and now are resting in their final resting place. Every year, **POST 444** has a special Memorial Day. Assembly is at 0530 hours at our Post home. At 0600 hours a service is held for Post members who have passed away since the previous Memorial Day. We then caravan to 4 local cemeteries repeating the memorial, before returning to the post home for a delicious breakfast provided by the Auxiliary. You'll be back home by 10:00 a.m. in time for your morning nap. Don't miss this service.

NEW MEMBERS

The following have been accepted into Post 444:

Eddie Colosh	U. S. Army
Percy Ward	U. S. Army
Larry Beller	U. S. Navy

Get involved fellows. You'll get so much more out of your membership. Come to meetings, join a committee, come out on Tuesdays to help in maintenance of the property.

TAPS

Chaplain Jim Korynta reports we have not lost any POST members since our last meeting.

A.E.D.

Post 444 has acquired an A.E.D. For those who, like me, didn't know what an A.E.D. is, it is a defibulator. It will be installed in the hall. Ken Graham and John Verstraete have agreed to spearhead the project. John and Ken will get certified themselves and then train any post member who wants to learn. Come to a meeting, or watch this publication to learn more of the details, and the schedule for classes.

AUXILIARY NEWS

The next meeting of the Auxiliary will be on Monday, **May 15th at 7:30 p.m.**

M**ay** 6th and 7th are Poppy Days. Help is needed if you have the time. Contact Mary Jane Paulsell at 838-5258.

May 29th is our annual Memorial Day breakfast for the Post members. The Post presents a service at 0600 hours remembering Post members who passed on. Breakfast is served around 0730 hours. Hope to see a lot of you members there.

ATTENDANCE DRAWING

April 3rd meeting Larry Letford
April 17th meeting Mark Silver

Neither member was present so the jackpot was rolled over to the next meeting. If they had been in attendance, and had been registered, they would be $500 richer.
Registration is just $.50 per meeting, and the book is on the table when you enter the hall.

MEMBERSHIP

First Vice-Commander Joel Hauck reports current membership is now 497.

He asks everyone to send in their current dues, if they haven't done so by now.

POKER TOURNAMENT

Post 444 sponsors a poker tournament every month for the residents of the Missouri Veterans Home on the **4th Wednesday**. Help is always needed; sometimes there are more players than there are helpers. **Can't you help?** You don't need to know how to play poker. You will hold cards, deal cards, make bets. Tournaments run from 1 – 4 p.m. Contact the volunteer department at the home.

MAY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 **POST MEETING 7:30 P.M.**	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 **BLDG COMM MTG 7:30 P.M.** **AUXILIARY MTG 7:30 P.M.**	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 **POST MEETING 7:30 P.M.**	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 **POKER TOURNAMENT MO VET HOME 1 – 4 P.M.**	25	26	27
28	29 **MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE ASSEMBLY 0530 A.NM.**	30	31			

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