



Horne-Mudlitz VFW Post 6377 Monthly Newsletter

Rich Beatty, Commander, Jason Ciriacks, Sr. Vice Commander, Gabe Schauf, Jr. Vice Commander



Post Meetings: 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m @ Horne Mudlitz Post 6377, Sussex WI

Next Post Meeting on Tuesday, June 16, 2026. Bar Opens at 6:00 p.m.

Commander's Goal Mission:

To Recruit, retain, & mentor a stable membership base including all generations of veterans. To cultivate a membership that is well versed in institutional knowledge & actively involved all levels of the organization and in local community. To establish Posts with an established vision of service, leadership, and community outreach.

May Post Minute Summary Highlights

- Special Guest – Paul Nowak from LPL Financials to introduce himself and be our Financial Advisor.
- Meeting started at 7:30 p.m.

Unfinished Business

- Post now has a new website for Members and Community to keep updated with the Post is up and running with some minor adjustments needed. All important information will be posted on the website from calendar updates, hall rentals, and VFW news. Website: www.VFW6377.org

- Flag disposal concerns were brought to the table by Gabe Kolesari with regards to disposing non-cotton American flags. Currently, there isn't any guidance from Federal VFW on what to do and wants this concern brought up the District/State/National level.

New Business:

District 2 Meeting Highlights

- Recruiting is still a big focus for the District and State, currently the District is at 99%, goal 101%. State is at 100.22%.
 - There was a Recruiting Telethon being held on May 8th and 9th in Rothchild
 - Not only focusing on recruiting but also retention.
- Next year's Patriot's Pen, Voice of Democracy, and Teach of the Year will be accepted in the Scholar's App. Theme will be "What a Veteran Has Taught Me About America."
 - This year's winner was 1st in the District and State and 5th in the Nation.
 - The topic and instructions for each awards are updated on the Post website.
- Next year's inspections forms will be an online form, as State and National as in the process of going towards being solely electronic in the near future.
- All Post must have their Articles of Incorporation, if not we must create one and send it to State HQ
- New Officers were elected for the next two years, Greg Graf was voted as the new District 2 Commander, Rich Beatty, as Senior Vice Commander, & Zach Olson as Junior Vice Commander.
- This years State Convention will be held on June 11-14th in Rothchild, each Post Delegates are encouraged to attend for at least June 12 & 13th. Commander Rich Beatty have registered to attend to represent our Post for June 12th and 13th. Conrade and Previous State Commander Tom Lemmer will be attending on June 11-13th.
- Officer training videos will be released in 5 minutes series on the State You Tube Channel, currently the State are looking for 1 or 2 Comrades in assisting with producing these videos. If interested, contact State HQ.

Post New Business

- Next Year Changing of the Guards will be official after the June Convention (June 14th) which that in mind, I would like that we officially have set Post Committees which we hold at least monthly to biweekly meetings towards said topics. Committee Chair should be one of the Appointed Officers. The following Committees that come to mind are:
 - Building Committee:
 - Events Committee:
 - Lion's Daze
 - Tiddlywinks
 - Bingo
 - Memorial Day Parade
 - New Social & Community Events:
 - Color Guard/Funeral:
 - Website/Newsletter POC:

Next month's meeting we will be volunteering/assigning committee members. Please plan on attending and think of which committee you would like to participate in. You can participate in more than one committee.

- Memorial Day Events
 - Saint James Ceremony at 9 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church,
 - Parade at Ace Hardware at 10:00 a.m. (meet & line up) with the parade starting at 10:30 a.m.
 - Memorial Day Ceremony at Post for 11:30ish.
- Troop 95 News: Performed Highway Cleanup along with Cleaning/Clearing the weeds at the War Memorial located beside Hamilton High School.

Committee News:

Lions Daze Committee

- Scheduled July 10-12, 2026 at Village Park Fairgrounds
- Grand Opening of Fairground - July 1, 2026
- Committee will be meeting each month until Lions Daze begins.
 - Next Month should be an All Hands Meeting to finalize Menu and Placement
 - Signup Sheet will be created by Next Month's Meeting and requesting that each Conrade to Sign Up for at Least one shift during the Event (4 Hours).
- New Menu Item: Polish Sausages

Post Social Event(s):

Bingo is being held at the GOAT on Sunday, May 24, 2026, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 50/50 raffle goes towards VFW Post.

The GOAT in Sussex Community Texas Holdem Tournament has been placed on hold until further notice.

Commander is in the works of trying to get a Bowling Tournament & Golf Outing as the next fundraising events.

Sheephead Tournament are held every 2nd Saturday of the Month and 5th Saturday if there is a 5th week in the month. Tournament is held at Horne-Mudlitz starting at 10 a.m.

Calling all Comrades, we are looking at bolstering our Post morale and increasing interest with the Post, we are looking for ideas of things to do/places to join us for Social Hours for all Veterans and their mates. Any suggestions for future events are highly recommended, please send your RSVP or suggestions to hornemudlitzvfw@gmail.com or call the Post at (262) 820-9704

Current Post Activites:

- American Legion Meeting – 2nd Thursday every month at 7 p.m.
- Cards/Sheepshead Club meets on Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Saturday mornings.
- Toes/Nail Salon open on Mondays during normal business hours
- Slugbugs of Sussex meetings 1st Tuesdays of every month
- SAS meetings 1nd and 3th Mondays of every month
- Scouts Troop 50 meetings 2nd and 4th Mondays every month
- Scrapbooking Club – 3rd Thursday Friday and Saturdays

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In honor of our fallen comrades, the following members are remembered this month:

Ronald Markkola - Sussex

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