Brookings Chapter #22

NEWSLETTER #03

May 5, 2007

Commander Notes

This newsletter is running late because I spent April 21 to May 1 in San Antonio, Texas at Lackland Air Force Base. My youngest son, an Air Force Staff Sergeant, had laser eye surgery and I had the honor of taking him down from Offutt Air Force Base and spend the week with him while he recovered.

It is amazing how advanced medicine has come in the military hospitals.

For our April Fundraiser we raised $15.00. That may stop these newsletters because that doesn't cover even the postage.

September 1, 2007 is the date for the 3rd Annual DAV and 727th Poker Run at the National Guard Armory in Brookings. DAV Transportation Fund fund raiser event.

As always, any comments, likes, dislikes, complaints or suggestions about our Chapter please contact me, 605-692-4733. Sincerely, Bob Hill

MEMBERSHIP:

The DAV is a unique organization. If you have a Disability Rating then you can be a member. I do not believe in going door to door and asking people to join. We do need members and if you know anyone that you believe is eligible, ask them if they would like to join. They might actually surprise you and say that nobody ever asked before!

Elections for 2007-2008

Everyone was nominated to serve another year except for the below Offices:

Legislative Officer:

Nominated: Orville Smidt

Service Officer:

Nominated: Lionel Torgurde

OFFICERS: 2006-2007

Commander: Bob Hill

Senior Vice Commander: Norm Iden

Junior Vice Commander: M. Kruger

Legislative Officer: Loren Spease

Adjutant: Don Bren

Chaplain: Bob Camp

Treasurer: Harvey Texely

Calendar of Events

May 8, 2007: Meeting

May 10-12, 2007: State Convention, Mitchell, SD

May 28, 2007: Memorial Day

June 12, 2007: Meeting

July 2007: No Meeting

July 4, 2007: 4th of July Parade in Brookings

August 2007: No Meeting

September 1, 2007: Poker Run DAV Transportation Fund Fund Raiser

September 15, 2007: Forget-Me-Not Fundraiser (Blue Poppies)

October 9, 2007: Meeting

November 11, 2007: Veteran's Day

November 13, 2007: Meeting

December 15, 2007: Meeting/Christmas Party

PIZZA RANCH FUNDRAISER!!!!!!

April 23, 2007: Pizza Ranch Fundraiser @ 5 p.m. I want to express my Thanks to Bob Camp for being the coordinator at this event. Thanks also go out to the ONE DAV member that supported this event. Marilyn brought a group of four and the DAV received $15.00 in donations for this fundraiser. With this type of support for fundraisers from our Chapter members we will not survive as a viable chapter for long. I have a hard time asking the public to support our events if we cannot do it ourselves.

AUXILIARY NOTES

THERE WILL BE NO AUXILIARY MEETING IN MAY, 2007.

Joanne R. Bren Adjutant/Treasurer
"WE ARE AUXILIARY, WE HELP OUR DAV"

Meeting Location and Times (See Calendar for Dates)

Meetings are held eight times a year. Currently they are held at the American Legion Post Home at 1229 Western Avenue, Brookings, SD. The time is 3 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month. All members are welcome.

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MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

July 14th, 2007 at the VA Medical Center in Sioux Falls there will be the ANNUAL ROGER ANDAL APPRECIATION DAY. SD DAV Headquarters and Arthur H. Muchow Chapter No. 1 have invited members of our Chapter to attend.

The DAV State Convention is May 10-12, 2007 in Mitchell, SD.

Our Chapter is in charge of the Brookings Memorial Pork Feed in 2008. Normally this event has 700 people attending so I may need some assistance in getting things done for it. I will start putting details in future newsletters.