

# NEWSLETTER

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## Post 712 • PLEASANT HILLS AMERICAN LEGION

APRIL 2014



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### *Greetings from the Commander*

I would like to thank Larry, Don and Stan for helping me with Spring cleaning at Post 712.

The Easter Egg Hunt for the members children and Grandchildren will be on April 19th. The time is 11:00 a.m. It will be held at the Legion.

Weather permitted we will try to have it outside. The age limit is 10 years old.



Our next meeting is April 7, 2014. The corporate meeting is April 14th. Please try to attend both meetings.

For God and Country I am  
Carl L. Anderson, Commander

Next Meeting  
April 7<sup>th</sup>  
Corp. Mtg.  
April 14<sup>th</sup>

**Do you want straight answers about rights and benefits you earned through service to your country? The DAV Mobile Service Office (MSO) program (funded in part by the Harley-Davidson Foundation) is bringing free services to help you with your benefits.**

**Tuesday, April 1, 2014  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Bethel Park American Legion Post 760  
2409 Bethel Church Road  
Bethel Park, PA 15102**

Visit Our Web Site: [www.alpost712pa.org](http://www.alpost712pa.org)

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*April Events*

Entertainment Meeting .....	April 3	6 pm
Band "Spoonwood Station".....	April 5	8-12
Post Meeting .....	April 7	7 pm
Legion Riders .....	April 8	7 pm
Corporation Meeting ....	April 14	7 pm
Easter Egg Hunt .....	April 19	11 am
Sons Meeting .....	April 24	7 pm
ALA Meeting .....	April 28	7 pm

**Kentucky Derby Day**

DJ Tim ..... May 3 All Day

**ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS:**

*It was voted on at the Annual 2014 Corporation General Membership Meeting that there will be no cigar smoking while our kitchen is open serving food. Also during special events such as Steeler halftime, wing night, steak night, bingo etc. Please understand we are trying to please all members.*

*Russ Wilson, President*

Saturday  
April 5<sup>th</sup>

***Spoonwood Station***

will be here  
from 8 - 12  
See who  
they are  
on  
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**APRIL  
DINNER SPECIALS**

- April 4 ... Stuffed Shrimp**
- April 11 ... Cheese Ravioli**
- April 18 ... Pierogies**
- April 25 ... Meatloaf**



*We need more  
BINGO players on  
Wednesday nites!!!*



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*Auxiliary Corner*

Thank you to all that helped make our ham and cabbage dinner a success. The ALA members were certainly a big part of it. They all worked to make it a success especially those in the kitchen. The Allegheny County Council meeting will be at our Post on March 29th. Please try to attend. The news on the Easter Egg Hunt is in the Commanders column. We will have the details on our part in it at the meeting. The essay contest winners were Allison and Adam Weidman. Their Mother and Grandparents are members of the Post and the ALA. The essays can be read at the end of this newsletter. Congratulations to both of them. Applications for the Past Presidents Scholarship fund can be obtained from the ALA. A leadership course is being offered on April 5th at White Oak Post 701. Anyone running for an office should attend and get answers to the questions they have. Next meeting will be April 28th at 7:00 p.m.

God Bless and Protect Our Troops  
Mary Ann Marunich, ALA President

**Next  
Meeting  
April 28**

**Allegheny County  
Council Meeting  
at our Post 712  
on Saturday, March 29  
Please try to attend**



**May 3  
It's Derby Day  
• Mint Julips  
• Horse Racing  
And**

**• D.J. Tim will be here  
to play after the derby**





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AL FENCIK

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Our first bus trip to Nemaquin on April 12th is sold out!  
Thank you all for signing up early so we can move forward with our plans to make this event fun and enjoyable.

Look for the sign-up board to feed 5 Veteran families for Easter Dinner. If you know a Vet that is in need, let one of the SONS know.

**Upcoming Events:**

Hoagie SALE will be May 22nd.  
Pork Chops & Chicken Dinner in June  
Father's Day Breakfast  
All You Can Eat Wing Night

We are always looking to do different things. So if you have any ideas please let us know.

Thank you,  
Gary Hartman, Commander of SAL



Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>  
from 8:00 to 12:00



*Spoonwood Station*

*is a Country/Bluegrass Trio*

*featuring*

*Sara Zebley*  
*(from Girlz in Black Hats)*  
*on the fiddle*



*Andy Gregg*  
*(from the Weed Rags)*  
*playing acoustic guitar*

*and*  
*Natalie Gregg*  
*on the bass fiddle*

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## *American Legion Riders Post 712*

Last summer the riders went to the ground breaking ceremony for Cpl Brandon Rumbaugh. Please join us and *Homes for Our Troops* at two upcoming events for him in Uniontown, PA. in April.

### **Volunteer Day:**

Help install the landscaping plan for this home. Make sure to bring work gloves and small gardening tools. *Date:* Saturday, April 12, 2014 *Time:* 9:00 a.m. *Location:* 510 Paul Court, Uniontown, PA 15401.

A volunteer form must be filled out on this website:

[https://www.hfotusa.org/volunteer\\_waiver](https://www.hfotusa.org/volunteer_waiver) Celebrate with us as HFOT turn's over the keys to Cpl Rumbaugh's new specially adapted home! *Date:* Saturday, April 26, 2014 *Time:* 11:00 a.m. Please contact Community Outreach Coordinator, Ashley Twigg at [wigg@hfotusa.org](mailto:wigg@hfotusa.org) to get involved!

The riders will be going to Washington D.C. on Memorial Day weekend for the Rolling Thunder events. We will be leaving Friday May 23 and returning Monday the 26th.

We are also going to Gettysburg June 28th and returning Monday June 30th. Anyone needing hotel information about either trip please can see a member.

The riders want to wish everyone at Post 712 a Blessed and Happy Easter!

Nancy Schwartz  
Secretary ALR

Next Meeting  
**Tuesday, May 6th**  
**at 7 p.m.**

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**AMERICAN PRIDE**

I am very proud to be an American. We are very lucky to live in a free country. We can play, do what we want, and are not afraid to be raided by other countries. I celebrate The 4th of July. On the 4th of July, we have a big party in appreciation for our freedom. We watch our neighbor`s fireworks in our backyard. We also hang up a bunch of decorations that support the spirit that we show for our country and the troops.

I also show my pride by celebrating Veterans Day. On Veterans Day, November 11th, we decorate the house and hang the American Flag on our door. We all gather as a family to celebrate our freedom and thank all the soldiers that died and made our country free. The reason I respect them and all of the current soldiers and veterans so much is because they risk their lives for us. In respect of that, we put flowers on the people`s graves that we know that died in the war for our freedom. I AM PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN!

**By: Adam Weidmann**  
Grade 4

**I AM PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN**

I can show my pride as an American by respecting the American flag. Our country`s flag represents all of the men and women that have sacrificed their lives for our country. It reflects our freedom as a country. When I see a service man anywhere, I show my respect by going up to him or her and thanking them! On Veteran`s day, I always give a call to my grandfathers who both served and thank them and wish them a Happy Veteran`s Day. I can also show my pride by hanging the flag outside my house on the 4th of July, Veteran`s Day, and Memorial Day. Our flag is hung in the front of our house next to the front door. We also have a light up one down by the pool that we keep up during the summer. Another way of showing my pride is by decorating for the 4th of July. My family and I decorate our house and pool with American flags and other red, white, and blue decorations every year. An additional thing I do daily to respect the flag is saying the pledge of allegiance. Every day at school in homeroom we all stand and recite the pledge of allegiance before our classes begin. Lastly, singing the national anthem at sporting events is one way to respect the flag; at hockey, football, baseball, basketball, and high school games before they begin, we sing the national anthem. Those are just some of the ways I show respect to the American flag and pride in my country.

**By: Allison Weidmann**  
Grade 6

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