



# Bolingbrook Legionnaire

American Legion

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## POST CONTRIBUTES TO LEGION KATRINA/RITA RELIEF

At the November Post meeting, the Post voted to support the Legion's National Emergency Fund by providing \$200 for use in each of the four states affected by these disasters: Louisiana, Florida, Mississippi and Texas. The \$800 total represents the largest single contribution to a specific cause made by the post in recent history.

The National Emergency Fund provides direct financial assistance to Legion family members and posts that are victims of natural disasters: hurricanes, tornados, floods, earthquakes, wild fires, etc. The National Emergency Fund has kept posts from closing and enabled Legion family members to begin to rebuild their homes and their lives. To date, over \$3,000,000.00 has been distributed since the fund's creation. It provides up to \$1,500 per household to Legion, Auxiliary and Sons of the Legion members, and up to \$5,000 to Legion Posts.

The funds are to provide for immediate needs: temporary housing, food, water, clothing, etc.

We have an obligation to assist those less fortunate members when the need arises, and we do – through our donations to the National Emergency Fund. All contributions made to this fund are deposited in a special account and are used exclusively to meet our member's most urgent needs. Not one single contribution dollar is used for fundraising or administrative costs. You can find out more about the fund at [http://www.legion.org/?section=prog\\_evt&subsection=com\\_nef&content=com\\_nef](http://www.legion.org/?section=prog_evt&subsection=com_nef&content=com_nef).

If you would like to help replenish the fund after the expenses of this year, send your tax-Deductible Contributions to:

The American Legion  
National Emergency Fund  
P. O. BOX 6141  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46206

(Tell them to credit Dept. of Illinois contributions).



Always Remembered

Never Forgotten

## WAL-MART DONATES \$1000 TO POST 1288

On December 12, Susan Beck, Community Services Coordinator for the Bolingbrook Wal-Mart informed the Post that a \$1000.00 check had been awarded to the Post. Commander Elden Laffoon and Mel Hansen arrived a short time later to pick up this generous contribution made available through Wal-Mart's Community Grants Program. Some 30 local organizations received contributions this year. Thank You Wal-Mart!

## COUNTY AUXILIARY ICE CREAM SOCIAL JANUARY 7

Don't forget about the Ice Cream Social at the Manteno Veterans Home. If you need a ride, some of us will be leaving the Levy Center at 1:00 (or 12:30 if driving will be difficult).

## COMING EVENTS

- Monday, Jan 2: NO POST MEETING
- Saturday, Jan 7, 2:00 p.m.: County Auxiliary Ice Cream Social at Manteno.
- Monday, Jan 9, 7:30 p.m.: Will County VAC Executive Committee Meeting, 128 N. Scott St., Joliet.
- Monday, Jan 16, 7:30 p.m.: Auxiliary Meeting, Levy Sr. Center, 251 Canterbury Lane
- Friday, Jan 20, 8:00 p.m.: County Meeting, New Lenox #1977, 14414 Ford Dr.
- Monday, Feb 6, 7:30 p.m.: Post Meeting, Levy Sr. Center, 251 S. Canterbury Ln.
- Monday, Feb 13, 7:30 p.m.: Will County VAC Executive Committee Meeting, 128 N. Scott St., Joliet
- Friday, Feb 17, County Meeting, Joliet #1080, 2625 Ingalls, Joliet.
- Monday, Feb 20, 7:30 p.m.: Auxiliary Meeting, Levy Sr. Center, 251 Canterbury Lane

*Have a Safe and Happy  
New Year's  
Observance*

Meeting in the Levy Senior Center, 251 Canterbury Lane, at 7:30 p.m.  
Post #1288 – 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the Month • Auxiliary Unit #1288 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month  
American Legion Motto: *Get Involved*