



Bolingbrook Legionnaire



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Commander's Corner

This month's Second Saturday Breakfast will once again take place at the Bolingbrook Golf Club on Saturday, October 12 at 9:00 AM. Please meet us on the west side of the building entrance. I hope to see more members at all of our events and activities. The next Post meeting will be on Monday, October 21 at 7:30 PM at the Post home 201 B Canterbury Ln. Bolingbrook, IL 60440. We will have pizza ordered for the meeting! At the meeting we will also be collecting names for anyone that would like to order an American Legion Post 1288 ball cap with the Post name. If you cannot attend the meeting but would still like to order a cap, please drop us a line at ilam1288@yahoo.com. On November 9, Oak View Elementary School is having their veteran's breakfast. The breakfast is free to veterans. On November 11, we will be having a Veteran's Day ceremony at the village hall at 11 AM. Any and all area veterans are invited to join us for this important ceremony. We will also soon be selling tickets to our annual Christmas Party taking place on December 7. If you've been to our Christmas parties in the past, you will know that this is a hot ticket, so please be on the lookout for more information. Finally, the Post would like any pictures of when you were in service. Please send these to the Post as we are compiling a picture book.

Leroy Rheubottom, Commander American Legion Post 1288.

Post 1288 Website is back on-line!!

That's right, after months of behind the scenes work, the Post website is once again up and running. Please see Page 3 for more information and details.

2013 Pathways Parade



Members of Post 1288 and VFW 5917 assemble for the Color Guard detail at the annual Bolingbrook Pathways Parade.

Once again the American Legion Post 1288 and VFW 5917 participated in the annual Bolingbrook Pathways Parade entitled "Rockin & Rollin in Bolingbrook." The parade was held on September 8. Due to issues surrounding events in Syria, this year's line-up did not include any military vehicles as we had hoped. However, Post 1288 and 5917 were able to muster a motivated group of hard-charging veterans to provide the color guard detail. Special thanks to all who participated in this year's parade.

2013 National POW/MIA Recognition Day



In 1979, Congress passed a resolution authorizing a National POW/MIA Recognition Day. On Friday, September 20, members of Post 1288 and VFW 5917 gathered at the Bolingbrook Veteran's Memorial in observance of National POW/ MIA Recognition Day. Thanks to all who took time this year to remember the service and sacrifice of our POWs as well as those who are MIA and their families.

Don't Forget to Renew Your Membership

Membership renewals for 2013-2014 are now being processed – please don't forget to renew your membership. Membership ID cards for those who have renewed will be available at the next Post meeting scheduled for October 21 at the Post's home.

Job Fairs Open to the Public

DuPage Township is hosting its 6th annual Job Fair on Wednesday October 2 from 9 AM to 1 PM at the Levy Center 251 Canterbury Lane Bolingbrook, IL 60440. For more information, please contact DuPage Township at 630-759-1317.

Military Records Request

Veterans or next-of-kin of deceased veterans can obtain military records using Standard Form 180 (SF-180). Online order forms may also be obtained at vetrecs.archives.gov. Once the form is downloaded and completed identify the correct location of the record you need (based on branch of service, date of separation, and type of record). Send the completed form to the address provided on the form. If you are not able to obtain a SF-180, you may still submit a request for military records by submitting a written request. The written request should include:

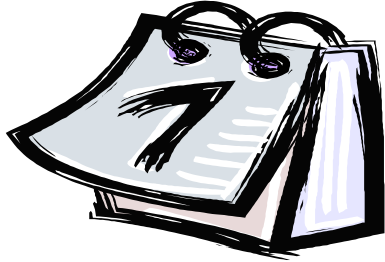
- Veteran's name
- Service number or SSN
- Branch and dates of service
- Birthdate

Mail written request to:
National Personnel Records Center
1 Archives Drive
St. Louis, MO 63138
Or fax to 314-801-9195

“Off we go into the wild blue yonder...”

The United States Air Force celebrated its 66th Birthday on September 18, 2013. For over six decades the USAF has provided the Nation with incredible air-superiority. Happy Birthday United States Air Force!!

Calendar of Events



Please consult directly with the Post website as many additional activities are currently being planned and calendared.

September 8, 2013 – Bolingbrook Pathways Parade

September 16, 2013 – 7:30 PM Post 1288 monthly meeting. Community Center

October 12, 2013 – 9 AM – Second Saturday Breakfast at Bolingbrook Golf Club.

October 21, 2013 – 7:30 PM Post 1288 monthly meeting at Post home.

November 9, 2013 – Veteran's Breakfast at Oak View Elementary School.

November 11, 2013 – Veterans Day Ceremony at Village Hall at 11 AM

November 18, 2013 – 7:30 PM Post 1288 monthly meeting at Post home.

December 7, 2013 – Annual Christmas Party at the Levy Center

Next Post Meeting

As a reminder, the Post meets every third Monday of the month at 7:30 PM at the Post 1288 home (201 Canterbury Ln. Suite B). Please join us!! The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 21. Pizza will be served!!

We're Back!!!!!!!

After many months, the new and improved Post 1288 website is back online! You can view our site at www.legion1288.org. Thanks to all for your patience during this process. We hope this important communication platform will provide you with all the information you need regarding Post news, events, and activities. Please note this is the first pass at getting the website back online; as such, some links and information may be missing. If you see something missing, or have any comments or suggestions to help improve our site, please drop us a line at ilam1288@yahoo.com.

Everything is New

In addition to our new and improved website, the following items are also new. Please take note if these important improvements:

- NEW – Post 1288 Website at www.legion1288.org
- NEW – Post 1288 email address: ilam1288@yahoo.com (Note: the AOL address is **NO LONGER** active)
- NEW – Post 1288 Phone Number 630-226-8484
- NEW – Post 1288 Facebook page www.facebook.com/Legion1288

Get Social.

The Post is now on social media with our new and improved Facebook page. Please like our page at www.facebook.com/Legion1288. Please be sure to tell your family and friends and other veterans too.