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# DIXON LEGION DIGEST

## OCTOBER 2003

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Post 208 Boy's/Girl's State Student Recognition Night Dinner 6 PM Meeting 7 PM	2	3	4
			<i>&lt;- Homeless Veterans StandDown -&gt; Dixon May Fair grounds 10/1&amp;2</i>			
5	6 <b>Bingo for Boy's and Girl's Club</b>	7			10	11
12 <i>Columbus Day</i>	13 <i>U.S. Navy Established (1775)  Columbus Day Observed</i>	14	15	16 <b>VFW Meeting 7:30 PM</b>	17	18 <b>Octoberfest Braut's &amp; Beer</b>
19	20	21	22	23 <b>Post 208 Executive Board Meeting 7 PM</b>	24 <i>United Nations Day</i>	25 VFW Post "Make a Difference Day" Project <i>Operation Urgent Fury(1983)</i>
26 <i>Daylight Saving Time Ends</i>	27 <i>Navy Day</i>	28 <b>40 &amp; 8 6 PM Dinner 7PM Dinner</b>	29	30	31 <i>Halloween</i>	

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### **Commander's Corner**

WELL COMRADES, SUMMER'S ALMOST OVER AND THE DAYS ARE GETTING SHORTER. IF YOU HAVEN'T NOTICED YET, THE VET HALL IS GETTING A FACE LIFT. OUR THANKS TO ED COLLINS' LETTERS AND BILL ALLARD'S PERSISTENCE ON STAYING ON THE COUNTY. GREAT JOB GUYS !!!!! WEDNESDAY, THE 1<sup>ST</sup>, WE WILL HAVE SOME SPECIAL GUESTS FOR DINNER - OUR BOYS STATE CANDIDATES AND OUR ORATORICAL WINNER. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO COME FOR DINNER, PLEASE CALL ME OR PRESIDENT DORIS SO THAT WE HAVE PLENTY OF MEAT ON HAND. BUT REMEMBER, THIS IS A POT LUCK, SO BRING A DISH TO SHARE. DINNER WILL BE AT 6 PM WITH OUR MEETING TO FOLLOW AT ABOUT 7.

ON OCTOBER 18TH WE ARE HOPING TO HAVE A GOOD TIME BY OPENING THE DOORS UP AND HAVING AN OCTOBERFEST: BRATS, METS, HOT DOGS, SAUERKRAUT, AND OLD TIME UMPA MUSIC TO POLKA TO. PASS IT ON TO YOUR FRIENDS AND COME ON DOWN. THERE'LL BE NO COVER CHARGE, AND I HEAR THE NEW BAR MANAGER HAS A SURPRISE FOR US.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN, AND I HOPE TO SEE YOU ON THE FIRST.

**Bob Havlin, Commander**

### **Adjutant:**

Our paid membership is creeping upward – 56% paid for the current year (July-June). If you haven't mailed your check yet, please help us out with expenses and do so. If you'd like to see if we have you as current, you can visit the web site and click on the membership/e-mail link. There you can see if we have you as current, and you can update your address, telephone number, or e-mail address for us. If other information is incorrect or you have questions, contact Ed Bartosh or me to get it straightened out.

**Jim Baehr, Adjutant**

### **Chaplain:**

The word itself, "Halloween," actually has its origins in the Catholic Church. It comes from a contracted corruption of All Hallows Eve. November 1, "All Hollows Day" (or "All Saints Day"), is a Catholic day of observance in honor of saints. But, in the 5th century BC, in Celtic Ireland, summer officially ended on October 31. The holiday was called Samhain (sow-en), the Celtic New Year.

Thanks to all who came out to the Blood Drive on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Sacramento BloodSource collected 56 pints of blood. Your donations help save lives. Thank you!

**Ray Lein, Chaplain**

## **Historian:**

Armistice Day was primarily a day set aside to honor veterans of World War I, but in 1954, after World War II had required the greatest mobilization of soldiers, sailors, marines and airmen in the Nation's history; after American forces had fought aggression in Korea, the 83<sup>rd</sup> Congress, at the urging of the veterans service organizations, amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Veterans. " With the approval of this legislation (Public Law 380) on June 1, 1954, November 11th became a day to honor American veterans of all wars. **Remember to observe November 11<sup>th</sup>, Veteran's Day. Thank a Vet for our freedoms.**

**Ed Bartosh, Historian**

## **From the Auxiliary President:**

It was great to see all of you who made it to our last meeting. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 1, 2003. We will be having a dinner that evening to honor our Girl's State representative as well as to honor the visit to our unit by our District Auxiliary President, Pat Anderson. Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm, followed by reports by the girls state and boys state. Our meeting will then be held at 7:00 pm with the district president in attendance. All auxiliary members who are planning to attend are asked to bring a side dish to serve from 8-10 people. The post is supplying the meat dish.

Hope you can make it – we would love to see you.

**Doris Kilkenny**  
Unit 208 Auxiliary President