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Membership: Membership Chairman Bernard Willi reports that we now have 293 members paid for 2009. Members paid for 2009 should have corresponding membership cards. If you're not paid **please** send your \$25.00 dues to American Legion Post 77 P.O. Box 241, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729.

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LEGION POST 77 - EVENTS CALENDAR

06 Nov	Regular Post Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
11 Nov	Veterans Day Activities at Local Schools 8:15 a.m. Southview Elementary School 9:30 a.m. McDonell High School - Main Event 11:00 a.m. Veterans Memorial – County Courthouse 12:30 p.m. Halmstad Elementary School 1:30 p.m. Stillson Elementary School
20 Nov	Regular Post & Auxiliary Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
14 Dec	Regular Post Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
18 Dec	Legion Christmas Party 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. to be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall – RSVP Regular Post & Auxiliary Meeting – 7:30 p.m. Luncheon usually served after meeting
01 Jan	Regular Post Meeting – 7:30 p.m.
15 Jan	Regular Post & Auxiliary Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

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Chippewa Falls Patriotic Council

Since July 1, 2008 the Council has conducted 12 military gravesite rites for local veterans. In addition to the flag presentation the gravesite chaplain also presents a Military Funeral Honors coin to the spouse or family member receiving the flag. The coin is 45 mm in diameter and 3 mm thick. The front of the coin (below) displays the Wisconsin State seal and the back contains the text of the flag presentation phrase and displays three shell casings symbolizing three rifle volleys.

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At the July 8th Council meeting the Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter 550 joined the Council as a new veterans service organization. Chapter president Eugene Rineck will represent MOPH Chapter 550 on the Council. Chapter 550 members are now eligible to join the Council and Honor Guard.

We have one new member of the Council and Honor Guard, David Hedrington, sponsored by American Legion Post 77. Dave recently completed the AP3 certification program and will his certificate in a few weeks.

The Council Color Guard has participated in several community activities this past summer including the Salute to Freedom car show downtown, the Pure Waters Day parade, and October Fest Parade. Members have also conducted flag raisings at all high school football games and will help dedicate the new flagpole at Gordy's County Store at Lake Wissota on October 27, 2008.

Members of American Legion Post 77 are all welcome to join the Chippewa Falls Patriotic Council and may request membership in the Honor Guard. Our next Council meeting is 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 10, 2009, at American Legion Post 77.

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