

# The American Legion

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## **Newsletter - Spring 2014**

**Post Spring Meeting.** We will have our Spring Meeting at the Garda Social Club, 8-10 Harrington Street, Dublin 8 on Wednesday evening, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 – 9:30 PM. The meeting will feature an update on membership status and growth; plans for upcoming Post events, many of which are listed below; and a call to involve more members in the work of the Post. Finally, it will outline plans for the Department convention in June.

### International Veteran's Day (and Memorial Day Weekend in the U.S.)

• Sunday 25th May @ 11am, Commencing at Pery Square, Limerick. The Patrick Sarsfield Branch of O.N.E. (Organisation of National Ex-Servicemen & Women) is hosting their annual La na bhFiann service of commemoration to include over 30 national and international veterans associations. Mass at 10:00 AM, parade commencing at 11:00 AM with 1,000+ veterans proceeding to the memorials in Pery Square, where a wreath laying and ecumenical service of remembrance will take place, to be followed by units marching in parade through the streets of Limerick. Details at www.facebook.com/onepsb. Please confirm your attendance to Post Adjutant and register your attendance ASAP.

### Calendar of Important Events:

- May 2-5, 2014 (Friday-Monday): Listowel Military Tattoo, May bank holiday weekend. Details at www.facebook.com/ListowelMilitaryTattoo
- May 25, 2014 (Saturday): International Veteran's Day in Limerick. See event details in the notice above.
- **June 19-22, 2014 (Thursday-Sunday):** 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention, Department of France, Venue is Neumaier's Gasthof & Landhotel Hirsch, Römerstraße 31, 89264 Weißenhorn, Attenhofen, near historic Ulm, Germany. See Dept. newsletter for registration details.
- **June 27-29, 2014 (Friday-Sunday)**: John Barry Festival (Wexford Maritime Festival). Event details at www.wexfordmaritimefestival.ie/en
- July 5, 2014 (Saturday): Rico Stein's Independence Day BBQ, Saturday afternoon, Tralee.
- **July 12, 2014 (Saturday):** The Annual wreath-laying Ceremony at the National War Memorial Gardens, Islandbridge (Phoenix Park), Dublin. Time 2:30 PM to be seated.
- **July 13, 2014 (Sunday):** National Day of Commemoration at the Royal Hospital, Kilmainham. Time 9:45 AM to be seated in the audience. Members wishing to attend this ceremony must contact the Post Adjutant to confirm attendance details.
- **November 11, 2014 (Tuesday)**: Veteran's Day (United States). Flowers and memorial service at the grave of John O'Sullivan, fondly remembered, at Carstown, County Louth.
- November 27, 2014 (Thursday): Thanksgiving Day and Post AGM, location TBA.

**Welcome to New Members.** We are pleased to welcome new member Raymond LeGates and transfer member Ray Pfeiffer (Post 1, Paris) to our Post.

**Membership Renewals.** We are bringing our membership renewals for this year to a close. If you have not paid your 2014 dues, please send dues payment to Commander Liam Kane at his home address as shown above ASAP – or be counted among the missing...!

**Reminder – Information on the Post**: Our Post's Facebook site is your reliable source of current information on the Post and our activities. Please visit it often at:

http://www.facebook.com/AmericanLegionIRL

