Swansea Community Post 2007
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Our next meeting is scheduled at 7:00 P.M. <u>23 December 2013</u> at the Swansea Improvement Association Hall, located at 216 Service St. in Swansea. The Executive Board will meet at 6:30 P.M. All members are welcome to bring a guest/potential new member.

Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukah, Happy Kwanzaa From the Officers and Chairmen of Swansea Community Post 2007

<u>CHRISTMAS POT LUCK.</u> As mentioned in the November Newsletter, we will have our Christmas Pot Luck. You can bring your significant other or a guest.

The Post will provide the meat. The actual meeting (if any) will be shorter and sweeter(?) than usual.

According to Robin, who graciously volunteered to chair the operation individuals at the November meeting signed up to bring some carrots, potatoes, bread/rolls, cranberry sauce, chips & dip, macaroni & cheese and some desserts. Need more veggies, gravy, salad and dressing. Probably need more of everything.

We need to know how many to plan for, so if you are coming let us know and let us know what you are bringing. Contact Robin at robins_nest3@sbcglobal.net or call Carl Bales at 233-4597 and I'll forward the info. to her.

MEMBERSHIP. As of this writing the 2014 Post membership stands at 108. We are behind our Membership percentage of last year. As you know 2nd dues notices have been sent out. The Legion Membership year runs from 1 January thru 31 December. Dues are payable in advance, hence the dues notices in July. Life will be a whole lot easier for Bill Martin if you would send you dues in pronto. They are still \$25.00.

PROOF OF ELIGBILITY. Repeating ---- In order to satisfy the IRS, we are forced to request that you send a copy of your DD214 to the address on the letterhead. **Your name**, **your dates of service and your character of discharge is all we need**. Everything else can be blacked out if you desire. We thank those of you who have sent theirs in, and encourage those of you who have not to do so at your earliest convenience.

<u>The meeting schedule for next year year is as follows: Dec 2013 – 23rd. All begin at 7:00 P.M</u>

ATTEND MEETINGS. WE KEEP 'EM SHORT AND SWEET.