Swansea Community Post 2007
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Our next meeting is scheduled at 7:00 P.M. <u>22 July 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.

POPPY DAY. The Post offered Veterans' Poppy's to the public on Saturday 11 May 2013 from 9 AM to 3 PM at the Schnucks in Swansea. These Poppies are assembled by Veterans in VA Hospitals who are paid a small amount for their labors. We collected over \$1000.00 which was distributed to various organizations which support Veterans.

<u>MEMBERSHIP.</u> As this writing the Post membership stands at 113. That is an all time high membership number for our Post. At the end of the 2012 membership year we had 88 members. There are still four members who have not yet paid their 2012 dues. Three of these are Charter Members.

As you are, no doubt, aware dues notices have, or will soon be, 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.

DEPARTMENT CONVENTION will be held in Springfield July 10 thru 13. Commander Meister and Vice-Commander Bales were elected delegates. Apparently Post 2007 is going to receive one or two awards at the convention. One is a first place award for Community Service, and the other is a second place award for our Consolidated Post Report. Congratulations to those who reported their accomplishments and to those who prepared and submitted the necessary documentation. Meister and Bales will travel to the Convention on 13 July to pick up the award. It will be on display at the July meeting.

<u>SCHOOL AWARDS.</u> School awards were presented to four students at High Mount School and to four students at Wolf Branch Middle School.

The meeting schedule for the remainder of the year is as follows: $July\ 2013 - 22^{nd}$; $Aug\ 20134 - 26^{th}$; $Sep\ 2013 - 23^{rd}$; $Oct\ 2013 - 28^{th}$; $Nov\ 2013 - 25^{th}$; $Dec\ 2013 - 23^{rd}$. All begin at 7:00 P.M.

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