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Outpost

AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS 2022-2023

Commander Bob Clark

1st Vice Commander
2nd Vice Commander
Adjutant Kim Shires
Finance Officer Jessie Horton
Chaplain Mike Webb
Sergeant at Arms

AUXILIARY

President Ann Shirer
Vice President Glennda Thomas
Secretary Chris Anderson
Treasurer Judy Carter
Chaplain Linda Patraca
Sergeant at Arms Mary Justice
Membership Judy Steele
Kim Ronnell

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS 2022-2023

Director Dave Shook
Assistant Director --Secretary Paul Stray
Treasurer Dennis Geiger
Road Captain Craig Bower
Safety Officer Bob Johnson
Chaplain Geoff Moore
Sergeant at Arms Dennis Geiger

Club Hours

Monday – Friday 2 pm to 8 or 9 pm* Saturday: 1 pm to 8 or 9 pm* Sunday: 1 pm to 7 pm Holiday hours may vary Phone: (360) 736-3755

*Subject to early closing due to lack of patronage

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION 2022-2023

Commander

1st Vice Commander
2nd Vice Commander
Adjutant
Finance Officer
Chaplain
Squadron Advisors

Dave Stezaker
Gordon Spencer
Ron Feist
Chris Thomas
Chris Thomas
Wayne Ferris
Bob Terrell
Bob Clark

LOUNGE BOARD

Al Gray, 1 year Ray Denman, 2 years Pat Althauser, 3 years Steve Baker, 4 years Andy Althauser, 5 years

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Bob Terrell Steve Hatfield

Rolly Badavinac

Commander's Corner

Walt Disney, the man that created the happiest place on Earth and built a multibillion-dollar empire said, "The way to get started is to quit talking and begin doing". Well we have many in post 17 that are doing that. If you are working on something that you really care about, you don't need to be pushed because your vision pulls you.

Post 17 has stepped up to the challenge that was placed on us in August for membership goals. We have made our membership goal every month. This is a HUGE accomplishment that shows the dedication of our members to keep this post around for another 103 years.

Please reach out to these new members in our post and welcome them in. They're our fellow Brother and Sister Veterans, so when you see these new Legionnaires make sure that you thank them for their service, their membership and welcome them home. A simple "Thank You" goes a long way in this organization. I ask that you also reach out to our current members and let them know that they too are very much appreciated and thank them.

There is a lot going on in January but I want to highlight a few items:

During membership meeting on **January 5th** we will hold our annual **Post Everlasting Ceremony** for all our Legionnaires that have passed away in 2022. Please join us in honoring these veterans and invite any of their family members you may know.

We have a membership drive on Saturday, January 14th. Chris Guenther & the Honky Tonk Drifters will play in the hall and there will be a \$10 cover.

On Mondays we have BINGO and Wednesdays is the liquor raffle. There are several events to fill your stomach, and even a family Karaoke evening this month. Please review the calendar of events and our Facebook page to stay up with all the great events and come down to support your post.

Bob Clark, Commander

POST OFFICER CHANGES

Please come to membership meeting on January 5th to nominate and vote on our 1st Vice Commander and Sergeant at Arms positions.

If you are interested in any of these positions and have questions feel free to reach out to Bob or Kim.

Senior Center Visits

Join our Veteran's on either of our two monthly visits.
The Sharon Care Center on the second Tuesday and the
Twin Cities Senior Center the third Wednesday of the
month. Both meet at the centers at 10:30 am.

Gentle Reminder

The parking lot behind our building belongs to the bank. They have asked us to not fill it up during business hours. And we are not supposed to park in the 3 spaces directly behind their door under any circumstances. We need to be a good neighbor. Please be courteous and considerate. They can have cars towed away at owner's expense.

ANNIVERSARY PARTY **JUDY STEELE**

Please join us on Sunday January 22nd at 2 PM at Grant Hodge Post 17 and help us thank Judy for her many years of service!

FAMILY KARAOKE

Karaoke isn't just for adults! Kids like to belt out their favorite songs too! 🤜

Pinky will be our DJ for family karaoke on Sunday the 15th from 3-7.

MONDAY NIGHT BINGO



Every Monday night from 5-7 PM

\$\$ CASH PAYOUTS \$\$

Food will be available for purchase.

PITCH TOURNAMENT

Sunday, January 29th 1:00

Check-in at 12:30

\$20.00 per player

GOOD EATIN' IN **POST 17**

Steak nights is always a big hit! You have the option of a steak dinner for \$15 or salmon for \$12. Reservations required. Call the post to save your steak today!

4 Guys Burger Night is the first Friday of every month and always good eatin!

Don't forget on Tuesdays and Wednesdays the kitchen is usually open.





Outpost

If you would like to contribute an article to the outpost please bring it to the post or email the adjutant by the 20th of the month. This is your newsletter. We need articles to keep it interesting and worthwhile.

CHRIS GUENTHER & THE HONKY TONK DRIFTERS

Come on out to a country concert on January 14th. \$10 cover at the door.

This is a membership drive so invite your friends and sign them in!

SEAHAWKS GAMES

Join us for the Seahawks games this month. Bring your favorite snack to share!

See calendar for dates & times.

----January Birthdays----

Ann Santee, Lorrie Hill, Gregory Kiser, Thomas Haase, Gwen Spencer, Steve Svinth, David Stafford, Dale Hadaller, Stanley Germeau, David Schultz, Dona Granger, David Stezaker, Arthur Collier, Steve Erickson, Dave Shook, Larry Boehm, Earl Nordby, Judy Newbury, Al Denison, William Slusher, Deloris Mead, Corrina Fadness, Marilou Gocken, Glennda Thomas, Sean Garcia, David Reade, Ted Goebel, Theresa Conners, Michelle Edwards, John Dennehy, Cassie Ryder, Chryl Clark, Kathleen Mason, Dorothy Norquist, Jack Parker, Douglas Parker, Mary Justice, Janice Cole, Barb Mallgren, Josh Bauer, Steve Breuer

----January Anniversaries----

Darwin & Judith Pier Kip & Ann Busby Theodore & Liz Laurila (1986)

If you had a birthday or anniversary and it's not listed here, we apologize. Please email it to the adjutant at adjutant@granthodgepost17.org. Thanks.



FACEBOOK



To see what's current at the Post and get notification of our upcoming events, please like and follow Grant Hodge Post 17, @granthodgepost17.

If you have an event to post, or information you want to share with everyone please email all details and pictures to Kim at adjutant@granthodgepost17.org.



JANUARY 2023

POST 17

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Seahawks Game 1:05 pm	BINGO 5 pm to 7 pm Lounge	Pack 9301 Committee Mtg 5:30 pm	Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm Kitchen Open	Auxiliary Mtg 6 pm	4 Guys Burger Night 6 pm	
	Board Mtg 6 pm	E-Board Mtg		Legion Mtg & Post	TX Hold'em	
		7 pm		Everlasting	Орт	
		Kitchen Open 3 pm – 6 pm**		7 pm		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Seahawks Game 1:05 pm	BINGO 5 pm to 7 pm	Senior Center 10:30 AM	Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm	ALR Meeting 6 pm	TX Hold'em 6 pm	Chris Guenther & the Honky Tonk Drifters
		VFW Meeting 7 pm	Honor Guard 6:30 pm			7 pm
		Kitchen Open 3 pm – 6 pm**	Kitchen Open			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Family Karaoke 3 pm to 7 pm	BINGO 5 pm to 7 pm	Kitchen Open 3 pm – 6 pm**	Senior Center 10:30 AM Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm	Planning Meeting 6 pm	TX Hold'em 6 pm	Steak Night* 6 pm
			Kitchen Open			
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Judy's Anniversary Party 2 pm	BINGO 5 pm to 7 pm		Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm Honor Guard 6:30 pm	ALR Meeting 6 PM	TX Hold'em 6 pm	SAL Meeting 2 pm
			Kitchen Open			
29	30	31				
Pitch Tournament Check in at	BINGO 5 p to 7 pm	Kitchen Open 3 pm – 6 pm**	*Call the post to reserve your steak or salmon meal. (360) 736-3755 **No orders after 6 PM			
12:30 pm	Marine Corps League Mtg 7 pm		HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM POST 17!!			