



American Legion Post 518 Commander's Newsletter



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Hello Legion Family,

I hope that all my fellow Post 518 members are doing well. By now I am sure everyone has heard about what has happened to one of our very close members. We are currently working on this situation. I want everyone to know that all key officer positions have been filled. We are going to continue to run the same has always with just a few changes. We have dealt with this situation head on and we have made some changes so this never happens again. We are looking for a new Chaplain, so if anyone is interested please get a hold of me. The building is looking good with the new signs. **Thanks SAL** . If anyone has suggestions on other ways to improve the post once again just let me know. This will be a tough month but I know we will get through this. That is it for now. God speed and God bless!

PLEASE NOTE: On our Sept 15th meeting night there will be Bumpers on Belgrade which is planned for EVERY Thursday thru Sept. Belgrade will be partially closed so parking will be limited from 5 to 8, so come early, find a parking spot and enjoy the cars before the meetings. We WILL be closed as usual during the meetings.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions, concerns or complaints.

Strong Support = Strong Post

Tom Paulson – Commander 507-381-6024

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AUXILIARY

Summer is sure flying by quickly. Hope everyone is having a great summer.

We had an awesome meeting on August 18th. The largest turn-out I've seen. Keep it up and thanks for contributing to our cause-- the VETERAN. Our meal on August 12th went quite well. We served Reuben sandwiches or grilled ham and cheese. We may give them a try again this fall. Thanks to those who helped or donated food.

We also ordered t-shirts for the Auxiliary. If you would like to order one please contact me or Char Giese 507-420-5677. You have a choice of blue or red.

The Legion is looking for volunteers to help with the meat raffles held on Saturday evenings before bingo. Give me a call if you can help out or give the club a jingle. Please consider helping out with this project.

We are again having a table at Madison East for the bake and craft sale. Please start planning on what you can bake for donation. The event is November 19th. Get those aprons out and start baking. Thank you in advance for helping.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me.

See you at the September 15th meeting.

Diane Conrad President cell 507-381-2771 email dianec432@gmail.com

SAL

Hello All,

I will start off with thanking all the SAL members that make our meetings and a reminder to the rest that our SAL meetings are the 3rd Monday of every month starting at 7:30. As always you will get a complimentary beverage following the meeting!!!

The Legion has new t-shirts & hats available for purchase from the bartenders along with neat can cozies.

Volunteers are needed for the paddle wheel raffles; sign-up sheet is by the popcorn machine. We will be bringing back the Prime Rib sandwiches for our SAL meal on Sept. 16th !!! Proceeds going to help with our various veterans' programs. Keep an eye on our calendar and Facebook page as there is always something going on at "The Club". If you have any questions, concerns or would like to get on our text message reminder list please feel free to contact me.

As always stay safe in your travels and see you around "The Club"

Bruce Defries, SAL Commander (507)340-7265

COLOR GUARD / VETERAN OF THE MONTH

Greetings,

Veteran of the Month

At our August 6th Veteran of the Month ceremony, we retired the Colors for Army SFC Robert Cheever and we honored Army Tec5 Addis Anderson. We had another great turnout!

On Saturday, September 3, we will retire Tec 5 Anderson's Colors and honor Civil War Veteran Private Wilhelm Urban by raising his Colors for the month.

Color Guard

Our Color Guard helped with 2 Memorial Squad funerals this past month and presented Colors at the Nicollet County Fair on Saturday August 13th.

Thanks to all of our Legion Family that help us with Veteran of the Month and Color Guard events!

Vets for Vets,

Mark Conrad- Color Guard / VOM Coordinator 507-380-8405 lefty48597@gmail.com

Golf Tournament Sunday October 2nd

Post 518 will be hosting a 3 person best ball scramble golf tournament

Sunday October 2nd starting 9am at Minneopa Golf course.

Look for more details and sign-up sheet on the bulletin boards in the club room.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

Do you want to receive the Newsletter by e-mail instead of mailed?

Let us know at americanlegion518@yahoo.com

There are always Newsletters at the Post.

ADJUTANT

We hope you have enjoyed your summer, which sure has flown by. We have much more coming up this fall. Come down to the club and see what is new, what is happening and enjoy a beverage with your Legion Family. We are always in need of help to keep the Legion Active, so please join us in any of the many events the Legion has to offer.

Thursday September 1st New Members Appreciation/Orientation Night 7:00 PM. All new Membership, SAL & Auxiliary members are encouraged to attend. If you are interested in learning more about what our American Legion & what Post 518 has to offer, please attend. There will be pizza and drinks.

Congratulations Erwin & Rosetta Tischer on your 60th Wedding Anniversary.

Erwin & Rosetta invite you to their Open House Reception Sunday, September 11th from 2:00 – 5:00 at St Mark's Evangelical Lutheran Church, 502 W. 7th St. in Mankato. No Gifts Please. Help spread the word by telling friends & family.

Sunday October 2nd, Legion Members Golf Tournament, 9AM Minneopa Golf Course.

STRIDE & Veterans ROTC 5K Saturday, November 19th Race Starts at 10:00 am

Watch the calendar for the Sunday Brunch - the third Sunday of most months. The proceeds will go towards designated veteran services. Exceptions: No Brunch September or December. Sunday brunch Oct 16 – Veterans Campground, Nov 20 Miracle League Playground.

Heads Up!!!! Vikings Game Day Potluck coming soon at "The Club" beginning with the first Regular Season game on September 11th at noon!!! Proceeds help fund our New Year's Eve Party.

Legion Jackets: We need 6 requests to place an order for jackets. Each Legion/SAL/Auxiliary jackets need to be ordered separately for an order. We are getting a lot of orders and may send it in soon.

New Legion Family, Men's & Women's T-shirts have arrived, specially designed, great colors and styles. Let us know what you think of the new T-shirts.

Paddle Wheel: We are looking for people to run the Saturday Paddle Wheel/Meat Raffles. The sign up sheet is on board next to the popcorn machine.

Clothing Drive: We are always in need of clean, used clothes. Inquire at the Legion if you have any to donate. We wish to thank all of our volunteers for their hard work in helping with clothing drive pick-up and deliveries. Volunteers are always appreciated loading trailers; contact Bruce DeFries or Jim Kulseth if interested.

News letters Deadline: The Sunday, after the Monthly Legion meeting.

Check the calendar for upcoming events and meals

Paula Anzures, Adjutant

MORE GOOD STUFF

Bar/Entertainment:

*As always.... **BINGO** on Mondays and Saturdays @ 6pm, **BAR TRIVIA** on Tuesdays @ 7pm, and **Jukebox Jenny** on Thursdays @ 7pm (except meeting nights the 3rd Thursday of the month – then we start the jukebox at 9 pm).

SING A LONG WITH BUCK: Second Thursday of each month from 7 to 10 pm.

Bands will begin again in September with the Rain Kings on Sept 16th and High Strung on Sept. 30th.

Monday Bucket Nights from 6 to 10 pm with **5 bottles of Michelob Golden Light for \$12.00.**

September 18th: welcome back Don Cornwell from 1 – 3.

BEIR ON BELGRADE IS SEPTEMBER 24th from 2 to 10 pm. NO PADDLE WHEEL OR BINGO THAT DAY.

The Bartenders ☺

ONGOING PROJECTS – please contact Commander Tom for details if needed:

- T-shirts & Hats – POW shirts, Post Shirts and POW hats available for sale.
- **CHECK OUT THE NEW POST 518 CAN KOOZIES AND SHORT SLEEVE T SHIRTS**
- Aluminum cans – drop off donations at post anytime to add to recycling and defray newsletter costs
- Clothing - drop off clothing, purses and shoes for our Clothing Drive. Proceeds benefit Veterans

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NORTH MANKATO, MN
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BIRTHDAYS: Please be sure to stop in for a free drink on your birthday! *If you want your name on the calendar, let us know so we can get it on it!*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			3	1 ROLL IN 5-8 NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION 7 PM JUKEBOX JENNY 7PM Denice Vollbrecht Ivy Lewis	2 CORNEY BRATS CHIPS, SALADS DESSERTS COMMANDER'S CHOICE Robert Olson	3 VOM 10 AM MEAT RAFFLE 4 PM BINGO 6 PM
4	5 BINGO 6 PM LABOR DAY	6 BAR TRIVIA 7 PM Ronald Schmitz Danica Maus	7 Lawrence Lake	8 ROLL IN 5-8 SING ALONG WITH BUCK 7 – 10 PM James Good Richard Lewis	9 PORK CHOPS Baked Potato, Salad Dessert PROMOTIONS Michael Swanson	10 MEAT RAFFLE 4 PM BINGO 6 PM Richard Ybarra Kaylia Miller Trent Vorlicek
11 VIKINGS <i>At Tennessee</i> Noon	12 BINGO 6 PM Wyman Forbrook Delores Weimer Donald Cornwell	13 BAR TRIVIA 7 PM	14 th Jeffrey Skuzocek Laron Sik 15 th Kenneth Kienlen Bill Schwartz Steve Buckholz Fred Wilson	15 ROLL IN 5-8 5:30 Board 7:00 Legion 7:00 Auxiliary BAR CLOSED 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM JUKEBOX JENNY 9PM	16 PRIME RIB SANDWICHES SAL RAIN KINGS 8pm William Schimmel	17 MEAT RAFFLE 4 PM BINGO 6 PM Pete Wachtel
18 Welcome Home to Don Cornwell 1 – 3 pm VIKINGS vs GREEN BAY 7:30 Roger Bebler	19 BINGO 6 PM SAL MEETING 7:30 PM Joan Cousins Miles Trump Rosemary Burgess	20 BAR TRIVIA 7 PM Judith Voss	21 KARAOKE WITH NACHO BAR 8 PM	22 ROLL IN 5-8 JUKEBOX JENNY 7PM Dale Ganske Larry Tapper Karla Ewert	23 SMOKED CHICKEN DINNER COLOR GUARD Gary Johnson Lori Sommers	24 BIER ON BELGRADE <u>NO MEAT RAFFLE</u> <u>NO BINGO</u> Bradley Hardt Brad Hess
25 VIKINGS <i>At Carolina</i> Noon	26 BINGO 6 PM Mary Housegard	27 BAR TRIVIA 7 PM Jeff Frye	28 Tom Sorenson	29 Last ROLL IN 5-8 JUKEBOX JENNY 7PM Jeff Brown	30 HOT DISHES Commander's Choice HIGH STRUNG 8PM Lawrel Woods	OCT 1 VOM 10AM MEAT RAFFLE 4 PM BINGO 6 PM