



**AMERICAN LEGION POST 518  
COMMANDER'S NEWSLETTER**  
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## NOVEMBER 2018

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Greetings fellow Legionnaires,

I hope that this month's newsletter finds you all in good health and spirit. I don't have a lot this month as we did not have a lot of new business at our last meeting. There are a couple of things I would like to cover.

November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veteran's Day and we have the schedule of events for the day –

8:30 Korean War Memorial – 9:00 Veterans Memorial Place – 10:00 WWII Memorial (Wheeler Park) – 11:00 WWI Memorial (Sibley Park) – 12:00 Vietnam Memorial and 1:00 Boy in Blue Memorial (Lincoln Park).

We will be having a Thanksgiving Dinner again this year. The club will open at 11:00am and the meal will start @ 1:00pm. There will be a sign up sheet by the popcorn machine and all are welcome.

Next month's meeting will be on Thursday November 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 and I would like to discuss the possibility of not having a December meeting as it falls so close to Christmas and people are so busy that time of year.

I would also like to wish a Happy 242<sup>nd</sup> Birthday to all of my fellow Marines, Semper Fi.

We will have another anniversary meeting on Wednesday Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm for anyone who is interested.

I am available at 507-340-0831 or [jeffrye927@gmail.com](mailto:jeffrye927@gmail.com)

Jeff Frye, Commander

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## AUXILIARY

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Happy November!

Our October meeting had some great conversation and brainstorming! Thank you so much to all of you that made it! We talked about ways to do some fundraising for our Post Auxiliary. We will continue to come up with ideas and get some fundraising going for our Auxiliary and our Post. Keep the ideas coming!

The Post 518 Thanksgiving meal will begin at 1:00. There will be a sign up sheet by the popcorn machine. A \$10.00 contribution per person will be appreciated if you are each unable to contribute a dish to share.

The next Auxiliary meal will be on November 30<sup>th</sup>. We will be serving hotdishes, bread and desserts. It will be a nice change from the holiday meals that we will all be eating in the next month or so! The funds raised will be donated to the Toys for Tots program.

Bells on Belgrade will be on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> from 2-6 and the parade starts at 6:30. There are many family friendly activities and is always so much fun! There is no meat raffle or bingo that day.

The kids Christmas party is set for December 15<sup>th</sup>. Look for the sign up sheet by the popcorn machine for details. It's always such a wonderful time of the year for the kids! A fundraiser meal for this party will be on November 9<sup>th</sup> with Chili and Grilled Cheese!

We will NOT be meeting in December as it is such a busy time of year for everyone.

Most everyone should have gotten the postcards that were sent out to get a better feel of volunteering. We look forward to getting those back soon! Many hands make light work! Thank you to all of you that volunteer. We wouldn't have such an amazing Post without everyone pitching in!

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting at 7:00!!!

As always, please contact me with any questions or concerns. I am always available.

Auxiliary President,

Sonja Frye 507-382-8906 [sonerann71@gmail.com](mailto:sonerann71@gmail.com)

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Hello All,

Fall is in full swing and I hope everyone has been able to get out and enjoy the crisp fall air and the beautiful colors. With fall also comes a number of things around the club. We have Bingo on Tuesdays Trivia on Thursdays, bands on select Fridays, meat raffle and bingo on Saturdays and Vikings games on Sundays. If you would like to sign up to help with the Paddle Wheel for our meat raffle you can do so on the board near the popcorn machine. You can also sign up to bring something to pass for Viking's games in the same place.

We will be hosting a Thanksgiving meal at the post at 1:00PM on Thursday November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please sign up at the bulletin board near the popcorn machine if you plan to attend and want to bring a dish to pass.

Reminder, that we will continue our Veteran of the Month and I highly recommend everyone to get down and witness the ceremony.

Keep your eye on the calendar for other happenings and events coming up around the post. I hope to see you all around the club and as always feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

S.A.L. Commander, Darin Hendley (507) 317-7070 [darin.hendley@yahoo.com](mailto:darin.hendley@yahoo.com)

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### **VETERAN OF THE MONTH/COLOR GUARD**

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#### **Veteran of the Month**

At our **November 3rd** Veteran of the Month Ceremony, North Mankato American Legion Post 518 will retire the colors for **Army Sgt Joseph Wallschlaeger**. We will honor **ALL POW & MIA'S**, by raising colors in their honor for the month of November as our new Veteran of the Month honorees.

This will take place at the west end of Wheeler Park on Saturday, November 3rd at 10 am.

**---We have no openings left for 2018--- We are now taking honorees for 2019 .**

**Thanks to ALL who help make this possible.**

#### **Color Guard**

We had a busy parade season this summer and are continuing sporting events at MSU. We also have the honor of giving "the final salute" at Veterans funerals when requested. Thanks to those who have been helping out when I am unavailable and all who participate in Color Guard.

Mark Conrad - Color Guard/VOM coordinator 507-380-8405 / [lefty48597@gmail.com](mailto:lefty48597@gmail.com)

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#### **CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**

On Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> there will be a Chili & Grilled Cheese fundraiser for the upcoming Children's Christmas Party. The Party will be held for members' young one; kids, grands, nieces, nephews etc. on December 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at noon. Sign up sheet will soon be by popcorn.

**Please sign up as soon as possible (No Later Than December 1<sup>st</sup>) so Santa has time to make the toys.**

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**FRANSEN BANK REMINDS YOU..... PLEASE  
NO PARKING IN ATM LANE OR IN FRONT OF DROP BOX  
USE OTHER LANES ONLY AFTER HOURS**

**PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR NEW MAILING ADDRESSES**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE THEM E MAILED, LET US KNOW THAT ADDRESS**

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## ADJUTANT

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The holidays are right around the corner, Our Legion Post has a lot of events coming up. We need volunteers to help with our events throughout the year. Help us to continue to make our Post successful. Step up, volunteer and help with our Legion Family events.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> District Upcoming Event

Nov 1 <sup>st</sup> 7PM	District Rally	Hastings Post 47
Nov 30	Christmas Decorating (3rd Dist)	Hastings Vets home
Dec 1 <sup>st</sup> 11AM	District Rally	St Paul Park Post 98
Dec 8 11AM	Pearl Harbor Rally	Faribault Post 43

Post 518 Anniversary Party upcoming meeting Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 6:30.

Thanksgiving Meal Nov 22, starting at 1:00.

Bells on Belgrade, Dec 1<sup>st</sup>, 2 – 6, No meat Raffle or BINGO. **We Need a few people to help at outside cookie stand.**

STRIDE & Veterans 5K – Maverick Battalion ROTC Saturday November 17th 2018, 10:00 AM

Myer's Field House, MSU Mankato, MN 56001 <https://www.signmeup.com/reg/form/125566/registration>

For more Information: Molly Ambrose - Mankato YMCA, [mambrose@mankatoymca.org](mailto:mambrose@mankatoymca.org), 507-387-8255

**Clothing Drive:** Unfortunately, we have had to discontinue our Clothing Drive. We ask that you do not drop any clothes or other items at the Legion anymore. The DAV has a number of drop off locations around the area. We thank everyone that participated and helped with this cause.

**North Mankato Post 518 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** is scheduled for the weekend of **September . 13, 14 & 15, 2019**. We need volunteers to help plan and organize the event to celebrate our Posts 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Ideas and suggestions are welcomed for the 2019 Celebration. Anyone interested in helping contact our Promotions Dwain Frazee or Diane Conrad to volunteer

**Blue Earth/Nicollet County Van VA Hospital** –Rides to the Minneapolis VA Hospital, call to make a reservation for a ride. Through collaboration between Nicollet and Blue Earth County, this program serves Blue Earth County and Nicollet County Veterans.

**Blue Earth County** call 507-304-4246, operates on odd-numbered days of the month (1st, 3rd, 5th, etc).

**Nicollet County** call 507-934-7871, operates on even-numbered days of the month (2nd, 4th, 6th, etc). When scheduling transportation, please contact either office no later than 2 pm the day prior to your appointment.

If you need Veteran Affairs Burial Information call 1-800-827-1000 for assistance.

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

Check the calendar for upcoming events and meals

Paula Anzures, Adjutant

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## MORE GOOD STUFF

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### **BAR AND ENTERTAINMENT**

**DARTS:** Monday and Sunday Nights

**BINGO:** Tuesdays AND Saturdays @ 6pm,

**BUCKAROAKE:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays: Nov. 14th from 6 to 9 PM

**TRIVIA:** Thursdays at 7 pm -except meeting nights

**BANDS:** Select Fridays: PORCHLIGHTS Nov. 2nd @8, Billy & The Bangers Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> @8

**MEAT RAFFLES:** Saturdays @ 4pm

*The Bartenders*

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>NOV. 2018</b>				1 TRIVIA 7 PM	2 <b>ROTC MEAL LASAGNA PORCHLIGHTS 8 PM</b>	3 <b>VOM 10 AM</b> All POW & MIA's Wheeler Park MEAT RAFFLE 4pm BINGO 6 PM
4 <b>TURN CLOCKS BACK VIKINGS VS Detroit NOON</b>	5	6 <b>ELECTION DAY BINGO 6 PM</b>	7 <b>ANNIVERSARY MEETING 6:30</b>	8 TRIVIA 7PM	9 <b>CHILI &amp; Grilled Cheese</b> Kid's Christmas Party Funds Meal	10 MEAT RAFFLE 4pm BINGO 6 PM
11 <b>BYE VETERAN'S DAY</b>	12	13 BINGO 6 PM	14 <b>BUCKARAOKE 6 – 9 pm</b>	15 <b>MEETINGS 5:30 Boards 7:00 All Family BAR CLOSED 6:30 – 8:30 PM</b>	16 S.A.L. <b>BILLY &amp; THE BANGERS 8 PM</b>	17 MEAT RAFFLE 4pm <b>NO BINGO</b>
18 <b>VIKINGS At Chicago NOON</b>	19	20 BINGO 6 PM	21	22 Open at 11:00 <b>THANKSGIVING POT LUCK 1:00 NO TRIVIA</b>	23 <b>NO MEAL</b>	24 MEAT RAFFLE 4pm BINGO 6 PM
25 <b>VIKINGS vs Green Bay 7:20pm</b>	26	27 BINGO 6 PM	28	29 TRIVIA 7PM	30 <b>HOTDISHES DESSERTS TOYS FOR TOTS AUXILIARY</b>	DEC 1 <b>VOM 10 AM</b> Wheeler Park Bells On Belgrade <b>NOMEAT RAFFLE NO BINGO</b>