



**AMERICAN LEGION POST 518  
COMMANDER'S NEWSLETTER**  
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## MARCH 2019

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Greetings fellow Legionnaires,

Well, I finally found time between snowstorms to sit down and write my newsletter. I don't know about the rest of you, but I am ready for Spring!

I don't have a lot for you this month, just a few things from our last meeting. The first thing I want to mention is we voted to purchase a defibrillator machine and we will be pay for training most of the bartenders and board members who would be willing and able to use it, in conjunction with CPR. If there are enough other members interested, we could arrange a 2<sup>nd</sup> class. Cost for members in this 2<sup>nd</sup> class will be \$20 to attend. Please let myself or Deb J. know if you would like to be put on a waiting list.

We are finally putting together a website for the Post. By we, I mean Jeff Evenson is putting together a new website for us. The preview was outstanding and will be up and running soon. Site will be [northmankatopost518.org](http://northmankatopost518.org). Jeff is a new member and a retired Navy Veteran. A Huge Thanks!

Look for updates on the Anniversary Celebration coming on September 13, 14 & 15<sup>th</sup>. Our next Anniversary meeting will be March 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm and anyone is welcome.

Our next Legion meeting March 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm. Hope to see you there.

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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I hope everyone is staying safe, warm and getting shoveled out!

The Auxiliary presented some lap quilts to a few of our senior members at the joint meeting. These BEAUTIFUL quilts were handmade by Sandy Forliti. We gave 2 Army, 1 Navy and 1 Air Force lap quilts. Thank you to Sandy for your talent, efforts and generosity in making these quilts for our members.

We were also introduced to the new website designed by one of our new Post members! It is very exciting! Jeff Evenson thank you SO much!!! [northmankatopost518.org](http://northmankatopost518.org) is where you will be able to get information, updates and anything else you would want to know about your Post!

Our February meeting was productive! We discussed fundraising ideas, meal plan ideas and how we can continue to support our veteran community. A HUGE thank you to the ideas and positive feedback!

We will be planning a painting party for April, details will be posted at the club. Please keep an eye out! This will be a great opportunity to relax, get to know your fellow Post members (and maybe some others) and do something fun while raising some funds to support our Veterans. We also discussed a wine tasting! There will be more information coming on both of these events!

Remember to check the bulletin boards for volunteering opportunities as well as any events coming up.

As always feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns or ideas!

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Proudly Serving Post 518 Auxiliary,  
Sonja Frye

## AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP

If you have not yet paid your dues for 2019, please do so soon. If need be, ask Deb J if you paid or not. If you have not received your card, we have not received your dues.

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## SAL

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Greetings all,

March is here! That means spring is just around the corner. It may not look or feel like it right now, especially after that February we just had, but we're almost to nice weather and enjoying time outside. Hang in there!

Again, a huge thank you to everyone that helped out with our last meal. It would not be possible without all of you that take time out of your busy lives to help out. We will not be having a March meal, as we will have a number of members gone and unable to help out. We will hope to have another meal in April.

We will be having a new member orientation coming up on the 4<sup>th</sup> of April at 7pm at the Legion. If you are a new member of our S.A.L and haven't attended one of these watch your mail for information coming soon. This will be a good opportunity to meet some of the officers as well as have some pizza and a beverage.

Remember to keep your eyes on the board to see upcoming happenings. Feel free to reach out to me with any questions you may have, and I hope to see you all at the post.

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 Saturday, February 2nd ceremony we retired the Colors for The Native American Code Talkers and raised colors to honor "The Four Chaplains" for the month of February.

On Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> we will retire the colors for The Four Chaplains and raise colors to honor The Sullivan Brothers for the month of March.

This ceremony will take place **INDOORS at Post 518 on Saturday, March 2nd at 10 am.**

**Come & help us honor these Veterans – These are open to the public**

**ROLLS & COFFEE SERVED AFTER THE CEREMONY!!**

### COLOR GUARD

**Can you Help??** We always need help with funerals, Parades, Vet of the Month, Color presentations, etc. throughout the year. We know you can't do them all – but If you can help us on a few occasions, let me know – It is appreciated!!

**PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR NEW MAILING ADDRESS IF IT HAS CHANGED.**  
**IF THEY GET RETURNED, WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO REMOVE YOUR NAME.**

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

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## ADJUTANT

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I am not sure about you, but know I am tired of all this snow. But on the bright side, Spring is just around the corner. We continue to need volunteers to help with upcoming events around the Post to make our Club successful throughout the year. Thank you for stepping up and we hope for continued help at our Legion Family events. We need YOU to make our Post successful!

March 16 Le Center: Starting at 11:00AM St Patty's Celebration; All you can eat Mulligan Stew \$8, St Patty's Parade 1PM, Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner, Live Music and dancing 9PM – 12AM.

**Post 518 Annual Fruit Sale:** Tom & Deb Paulson are coordinating the Fruit Sale. **Orders need to be turned in by March 1<sup>st</sup>**. Fruit delivery (tentative) March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Proceeds go to Children & Youth Programs.

March 8<sup>th</sup> Friday evening meal, fundraiser for the Veterans Disabled Veterans Campground on Big Marine Lake. Beef or Turkey Commercials, **Lenten dishes** as well & desserts. We will start serving at 5:30PM until gone.

Bunnies on Belgrade: Boy Scouts are hosting an Adult Easter Egg Hunt at 6 pm, April 13<sup>th</sup> 4PM – 7PM, Block party: Featuring an outdoor band 4-6pm, Adult Easter Egg Hunt at 6 pm. Win prizes. Tickets \$10. **No Meat Raffle or BINGO.**

New Membership Annual Orientation: Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Department Membership will send out post cards or e mails.

**North Mankato Post 518 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Our next meeting is scheduled for March 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30.** The 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration is scheduled for the weekend of **September 13 - 15, 2019**. Ideas and suggestions are welcomed for the 2019 Celebration. Anyone interested in helping contact promotions or come to the meeting.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> District Upcoming Events**

March 9	Appreciation Rally	Montgomery Post 79	3:00 pm
**May 17-19	<b>District Convention</b>	<b>Forest Lake Post 225</b>	
April	Spring Rally	TBD	
**July 11-13	<b>Department Convention</b>	<b>Willmar</b>	

**VETSROLL.Org 10 Year!!!** – WWII, Korea and Veterans through 1966 & Rosie-the Riveters Rolling to Washington DC May 19 – 22, 2019. VetsRoll.Org 1777 Gardner St South Beloit, IL 61080 608-207-8319 www.VetsRoll.Org

**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: March 13th from 6 to 9 PM

**TRIVIA:** Thurs at 7 pm, except meeting nights, followed by Music With Michelle (April Trivia will be on Mon)

**BANDS:** Select Fridays. March 8 Rain Kings, March 22 Billy and the Bangers

**MEAT RAFFLES:** Saturdays @ 4pm before Bingo at 6

*The Bartenders*

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<b>FEB 24</b> <b>MARCH</b> <b>2019</b>	<b>FEB 25</b>	<b>FEB 26</b> <i>Bingo 6 pm</i>	<b>FEB 27</b>	<b>FEB 28</b> <i>Trivia 7 pm</i>  <i>Music with Michelle</i>	<b>1 SLOPPY JOES,</b> <i>Chips, beans,</i> <i>desserts</i> <b>AUXILIARY</b>	<b>2 VOM 10 AM</b> <b>CLUB ROOM</b> <i>Sullivan Bro's</i> <b>MEAT RAFFLE 4PM</b> <b>BINGO 6 PM</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>BINGO 6 PM</b>	<b>6</b> <b>ASH</b> <b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>7</b> <b>TRIVIA 7 PM</b>  <b>MUSIC WITH MICHELLE</b>	<b>8 BEEF/TURKEY</b> <b>COMMERCIALS</b> <b>&amp; Lenten Option</b> <b>VET'S CAMP</b> <b>RAIN KINGS</b>	<b>9</b>  <b>MEAT RAFFLE 4PM</b> <b>BINGO 6 PM</b>
<b>10</b> <b>SET</b> <b>CLOCKS</b> <b>FORWARD</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> <b>BINGO 6 PM</b>	<b>13</b> <b>BUCKARAOKE</b> <b>6 – 9 PM</b>	<b>14</b> <b>TRIVIA 7 PM</b>  <b>MUSIC WITH MICHELLE</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Meal To Be</b> <b>Determined</b> <b>NATIONAL LEGION</b> <b>100 YEARS</b>	<b>16</b>  <b>MEAT RAFFLE 4PM</b> <b>BINGO 6PM</b>
<b>17</b> <b>ST. PATRICK'S</b> <b>DAY</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <b>BINGO 6 PM</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Anniversary</b> <b>Meeting 6:30</b>  <b>SPRING!!!</b>	<b>21 MEETINGS</b> <b>5:30 Boards</b> <b>7:00 All Family</b> <b>BAR CLOSED</b> <b>6:30 – 8:30 PM</b>	<b>22</b> <b>Hot &amp; Cold Dishes</b> <b>Desserts</b> <b>COLOR GUARD</b> <b>BILLY/BANGERS</b>	<b>23</b>  <b>MEAT RAFFLE 4PM</b> <b>BINGO 6 PM</b>
<b>24</b> _____ _____ <b>31</b> _____ _____	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> <b>BINGO 6 PM</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <b>TRIVIA 7PM</b>  <b>MUSIC WITH MICHELLE</b>	<b>29 Burgers &amp; Dogs</b> <b>SOFTBALL</b> <b>VIET NAM</b> <b>VET'S DAY</b>	<b>30</b>  <b>MEAT RAFFLE 4PM</b> <b>BINGO 6 PM</b>