



AMERICAN LEGION POST 518
COMMANDER'S NEWSLETTER
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AUGUST 2019

Greetings Fellow Legionnaires,

Summer is moving right along and before we know it fall will be here; it has been a fun filled, busy summer. We had a great turnout for our Fun Days parade with 15 riders on the Legion float and of course our color guard leading the way. It was a fantastic showing for our hometown parade. Speaking of the Color Guard, we are looking for someone to share some of the duties with Mark Conrad to help lighten the load a little bit. If you have any interest, please contact me.

As I write this, we are getting ready for Blues on Belgrade and I want to thank all of those who signed up to help, including our full staff of bartenders who once again have stepped up to the plate. This is our busiest day of the year at the post and all the help makes it go better.

We are getting the final touches put together for our 40th Anniversary celebration, September 13th - 15th. Friday the 13th is the formal dinner at the Eagles club and the sign up sheet is in the bar on the bulletin board next to the popcorn machine. **We DO need you to sign up and pay** if you want to attend so we can get an accurate number to know how much food to order. The price is \$5 for Legion, Auxiliary and SAL members and \$10 for non member guests. There are also Sunday Breakfast tickets and Raffle tickets for the patriotic quilt, Twins autographed print and other prizes behind the bar. Drawings held after the brunch.

Just a reminder that we are trying to get out sympathy cards and get well cards for members who have lost people or are ill. The key to this is communication, you can reach me at 507-340-0831 or jeffrye927@gmail.com or the post at 507-625-1264 or americanlegion518@yahoo.com so we can get these out in a timely manner.

Sincerely,

Jeff Frye, Commander 507-340-0831 or jeffrye927@gmail.com

AUXILIARY

Hello Unit 518 Auxiliary Members,

I hope everyone has had a great summer so far!!

Post 518 has been busy! The 4th of July parades in St Peter and Elysian plus the Fun Days parade were so much fun! I am not sure who had more fun, us throwing out candy or the kids catching it!

The meeting last week was packed full of information. We discussed the Auxiliary by laws and made updates together as a group. We will finalize and vote on them at the next meeting on Thursday, August 15th starting at 7:00. Please feel free to contact me if you would like a copy of the changes that we will discuss and put into place. I hope to see as many at the next meeting as possible!

The Auxiliary will be hosting a meal on Friday, August 2nd. We will be serving a variety of hotdishes, salads, bread and desserts. Please join us if you can!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please call, text or email me.

Post 518 Auxiliary President,

Sonja Frye 507-382-8906 sonerann71@gmail.com

SAL

Hello all,

We had short meeting in July; many people are busy with summer time activities and vacations.

We will not be having a meal in August, due to busy schedules.

We will reschedule our ditch cleanup, which was cancelled due to the heat, at our next meeting.

Hope you are enjoying your summer.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

S.A.L. Commander, Darin Hendley 507-317-7070 or darin.hendley@yahoo.com

VETERAN OF THE MONTH/COLOR GUARD

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At our Saturday, July 6th VOM ceremony we retired the Colors for Army Specialist 4 Donald Carl Frederick Strehlo and honored Army Private 1st Class Francis J. Lorentz for the month of July.

At 10am Saturday, August 3rd at Wheeler Park, we will honor Marine Lance Corporal Allan Roy Hoffman for the month of August.

THESE CEREMONIES ALWAYS TAKE PLACE THE FIRST SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 10AM.

Come and help us honor these veterans – Open to the public – Rolls and Coffee served after ceremony!

COLOR GUARD

Since our June meeting, the Color Guard performed 1 VOM ceremony, 1 area Veterans funeral with the Memorial Squad, 3 Colors presentations for Aussie Peppers games, 3 Parades – Elysian, St.Peter & Fun Days
Upcoming event: Aug 6th – Colors at Aussie Peppers Game, Aug 3rd VOM Ceremony

WE NEED YOU

Any Legion, Auxiliary or SAL able to help with any of our events (Parades, Colors, Funerals, etc)
Please let us know!

Thanks to all that help with these events and those that support our Color Guard

Mark Conrad 507-380-8405 lefty48597@gmail.com

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ADJUTANT

Summer is going pretty fast here; it sure has been a wet summer. We hope you are having a wonderful summer. The Club has many events coming up and as always we need volunteers. Please step up and join our volunteers to help at these events, and we know you will have a good time with good friends.

North Mankato Post 518 40th Anniversary – Our next meeting is scheduled for August 14th 6:30. The 40th 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 a member of promotions or simply come to our next meeting.

Upcoming Events

Aug 25 – 29	National Convention	Indianapolis
Sept 7	Harvest Rally	Legionville
Sept 13 – 15	Post 518 40 th Anniversary	North Mankato
Sept 21	Bier on Belgrade	North Mankato
Oct 25 – 26	Fall Conference	Mahnomen

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

MORE GOOD STUFF

BAR AND ENTERTAINMENT

TRIVIA: Mondays at 7 pm

BINGO: Tuesdays AND Saturdays @ 6pm,

THURSDAY: Music with Michelle

FRIDAY: Usually a fantastic club meal; 5:30 till gone

BANDS: On Hold For Summer

MEAT RAFFLES: On Hold For Summer

The Bartenders

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<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
July 28	July 29 TRIVIA 7 PM	July 30 BINGO 6 PM	July 31 AUG 2019	1 RIB FEST STARTS MUSIC WITH MICHELLE	2 HOTDISHES salads, bread dessert AUXILIARY	3 VOM ALLAN HOFFMAN <u>Wheeler</u> 10 AM BINGO 6 PM
4	5 TRIVIA 7 PM	6 BINGO 6 PM	7	8 MUSIC WITH MICHELLE	9 BURGER MEAL <i>Commander's Fund</i>	10 BINGO 6 PM
11	12 TRIVIA 7 PM	13 BINGO 6 PM	14 Anniversary Meeting 6:30	15 MEETINGS 5:30 Boards 7:00 All Family BAR CLOSED 6:30 – 8:30 PM	16 <i>Meal To be determined</i>	17 BINGO 6PM
18	19 TRIVIA 7 PM	20 BINGO 6 PM	21	22 Captain's Choice MUSIC WITH MICHELLE	23 TACOS Anniversary I&O Karaoke 8 pm	24 BINGO 6 PM
25	26 TRIVIA 7 PM	27 BINGO 6 PM	28	29 MUSIC WITH MICHELLE	30 SLOPPY JOE MEAL MAUS FUNDRAISER	31 BINGO 6 PM