



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

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Greetings fellow Legionnaires,

I hope that you are all well and had a great summer. It has been another great year at the post and we are getting ready for our 40th anniversary celebration coming up this month. We are still taking reservations for our formal dinner which will be held at the Eagles Club Friday night. Social hour will start at 5 and we will be eating at 6. You can pay at the bar. It is \$5 for all Legion Family members and \$10 if you are bringing a non member guest. I have had some questions as to why we are having the dinner at the Eagles; we wanted all of our members to have the opportunity to enjoy a meal without anyone having to worry about set up and dishes etc.... All of the other events will take place at the post. Saturday is a full day of music inside and outside, and grilled hot dogs and brats. Sunday we will have a breakfast and our flag dedication ceremony and raffle drawing. There is a full list of events for the weekend posted at the club.

We will be participating again with Bier on Belgrade September 21st. We will not be doing an outside bar but will be doing food for the event and will need some volunteers to help man that booth.

September means Vikings football will be back! Come down and enjoy the game with some great pot luck food and a door prize give away at every game. It is a lot of fun and all of the money we raised during the football season goes toward defraying costs for our New Years Eve party.

We had a visit at our last meeting from Joe Steck, who is Congressman Jim Hagedorn's veterans affairs liaison. He pointed out that of all the posts that he has visited that he has not seen a turn out at meetings like we get here at Post 518. I think it always feels good when you get that kind of praise from outside parties. We are obviously doing something right.

Our next meeting will be Thursday September 19th at 7pm, I hope to see as many of you as possible.

Jeff Frye, Commander      507-340-0831      [jefffrye927@gmail.com](mailto:jefffrye927@gmail.com)

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### AUXILIARY

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Happy Fall! Where did the summer go? I hope everyone had an enjoyable one!

We have a ton of great things happening around our Post! I will highlight a few but keep an eye on the bulletin boards and the chalkboard for reminders and any changes!

The Auxiliary unanimously voted on the bylaw updates. PLEASE let me know if you would like a copy and I will be happy to get you one.

The next Shop and Sip will be in November. We are just waiting on a confirmation date from the wine vendor. This is a really fun event and there will be vendors to do some Christmas shopping! We will keep you posted on the date! (Again, remember to check the bulletin boards for info!)

The Auxiliary will be hosting a meal on Friday September 6th, 5:30 pm until gone. We will be serving beef and turkey commercials, salads and desserts. The proceeds will go to support our local Back Pack Food Program. Please come out to support this amazing cause and your Post 518 Auxiliary!

Sunday, September 8th 8:00 am - ? We are going to do a deep cleaning day at the Post. PLEASE come and help out if you are able! Many hands make light work!

September 13, 14 and 15 is our 40th Anniversary weekend!

Friday is the Member's Only Meal at the Mankato Eagles Club, \$5 for members and \$10 for a non member guest.

Saturday we have lots of fun going on! Music, Food and Fun ALL DAY and NIGHT!

Sunday is the breakfast (\$7.00) and the flag pole dedication.

Tickets for the Friday meal and breakfast can be purchased from the bartenders. Also, RAFFLE tickets!

October 26th is the Stand Down. This will be happening at the Civic Center from 9-2.

As ALWAYS please call, email or text me with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,

Sonja Frye ~ Post 518 Auxiliary President

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## SAL

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Hello All,

Summer is quickly coming to an end and I hope everyone has been having great summer. With fall quickly approaching the kids will soon be heading back to school. Please watch for children around buses and schools.

Reminder that our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is quickly approaching and September 13,14 & 15 will be here before we know it. Tickets for the formal dinner are now available and we would like to have those purchased by September 1<sup>st</sup> so we can get a head count of who will be attending. With that, we also have breakfast ticket for Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> and raffle tickets available. If you are interested please see a bartender at the Post, or if you would be interested in selling some you can pick some up from the bar as well.

Bier on Belgrade is also just around the corner and we are currently looking for volunteers to help with the food booth. Bier on Belgrade will be on September 21<sup>st</sup> from 12-10pm. Anyone interested in helping is asked to sign up on the bulletin board by the popcorn machine.

As you can see it will be a very exciting and busy end of the summer and early fall at the Post and with all going on the SAL will not be having a meal in the month of September. We are looking forward to all the happenings coming up and hope to have a meal again soon. We also had a small group at the August meeting and decided to table the ditch clean up until the September meeting. We would like everyone to look at their schedules and see what weekend will work for the majority of people in October.

Remember to keep your eyes on the calendar for all of the upcoming events around the Post, especially with the busy month coming up. I hope to see you all at the club and feel free to contact me with any questions

S.A.L. Commander, Darin Hendley 507-317-7070 or [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, August 3rd VOM ceremony we retired the Colors for Army Private 1<sup>st</sup> Class Francis J. Lorentz and honored Marine Lance Corporal Allan Roy Hoffman for the month of August..

At 10am Saturday, September 7th at Wheeler Park, we will honor Army Tec5 Wallace E. Frank for the month of September.

#### **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**

### **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](mailto:lefty48597@gmail.com)

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## ADJUTANT

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The weather has been wonderful lately, between the regular rain showers we have been getting. The summer is winding down pretty fast and fall is just around the corner. The Club has many events coming up and as always, we need volunteers. Come on down and sign up to volunteer at any of the upcoming events, and we know you will have a good time with good friends.

**North Mankato Post 518 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** – Our next meeting is scheduled for **September 4<sup>th</sup> 6:30**.

40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration is scheduled for the weekend of **September 13 - 15, 2019**.

**FRIDAY, September 13<sup>TH</sup>** DINNER AT EAGLES, For Post 518 Family and their guest

5:00 Social Hour, 6:00 Dinner COST: \$5.00 Member or member guest, \$10.00 Non-Member Guest.

*Sign up and pay bartender by Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> please*

**SATURDAY, September 14<sup>TH</sup>** BANDS AND COOKOUT AT CLUB

11 - 1:00 DON SIEBERG - outside Early Bird Beer & Hot Dogs \$1 each

1:00 – 5:00 STILL JAMMIN’ – outside 1:00 – 7:00 Hot Dogs \$2, Brats \$4

Door Prizes

8:00 -12:00 PLAY ON - inside

Door Prizes

**SUNDAY, September 15<sup>TH</sup>**

BREAKFAST, AT CLUB

8:30 - TO 11:30 AM; \$7.00 *Tickets available from bartender*

Raffle Drawings (need not be present)

CLUB FLAGPOLE DEDICATION 10:00 AM

**Legion Cleaning Party – Sunday September 8<sup>th</sup> 8AM.** Meet at the Club at 8AM.

**Bier on Belgrade** – Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, Outside Food Booth- We will be serving Pulled Pork Sandwiches and will need volunteers to serve. Sign-up sheet is posted next to the popcorn machine.

**3<sup>rd</sup> District Vice Commander Visit – Kelley L. Adelman; Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>** at our regular Legion meeting.

### Upcoming Events

Aug 25-29, 2019	National Convention	Indianapolis
Sep 7, 2019	Harvest Rally	Legionville
Sept 13 – 15	Post 518 40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary	North Mankato
Sep 19, 2019	Family Gathering	Pine Island Post 184 6:00 pm
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: 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

**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:** Sept 14<sup>th</sup>: Don Sieberg 11 am – 1 // Still Jammin’ 1 pm – 5 // Play On 8 pm -12.

**MEAT RAFFLES:** Starts Again September 28th

*The Bartenders*

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <b>SEPT 2019</b>	2 <b>LABOR DAY</b> NO TRIVIA	3 BINGO 6 PM	4 <i>Anniversary Meeting 6:30</i>	5 MUSIC WITH MICHELLE	6 Beef/Turkey Commercials  AUXILIARY	7 <b>VOM</b> WALLACE FRANK Wheeler 10 AM  BINGO 6 PM
8 Club Cleaning 8:00 VIKINGS NOON VS Atlanta	9 TRIVIA 7 PM	10 BINGO 6 PM	11	12 MUSIC WITH MICHELLE	13 <b>40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY MEAL/EAGLES SOCIAL 5:00 DINNER 6:00</b>	14 <b>40<sup>TH</sup> ANN.</b> Bands & Cookout DON SIEBERG 11-1 STILL JAMMIN' 1-5 PLAY ON 8 -12 NO BINGO
15VIKINGS\NOON @ Green Bay 40 <sup>TH</sup> BREAKFAST 8:30-11:30 FLAGPOLE 10:00	16 TRIVIA 7 PM	17 BINGO 6 PM	18	19 <b>MEETINGS</b> 5:30 Boards 7:00 All Family BAR CLOSED 6:30 – 8:30 PM	20 TBD	21 BIER ON BELGRADE 12 – 10 NO BINGO
22 VIKINGS Noon Vs Oakland	23 TRIVIA 7 PM	24 BINGO 6 PM	25	26 MUSIC WITH MICHELLE	27 SMOKED RIB DINNER IN-COUNTRY VETS	28 MEAT RAFFLE IS BACK! 4PM BINGO 6 PM
29 VIKINGS 3:25 @ Chicago	30 TRIVIA 7 PM	OCT 1 BINGO 6 PM	OCT 2	OCT 3 MUSIC WITH MICHELLE	OCT 4 TBD	OCT 5 <b>VOM</b> TDB Wheeler 10 AM MEAT RAFFLE 4 BINGO 6 PM