



THE AMERICAN LEGION

Hasso Briese Post 0473

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FROM THE COMMANDER

Fred Segler

Weather has been very nice; Fishing has been good Catfish from the river, sonnies' from lake beauty. Aux. dinner was very good our thanks to the ladies that make this possible. MN. State Veterans Cemetery meeting and Picnic was held on the 19th of July. If you haven't checked out this final resting spot do so. It is a very nice final resting place, and a benefit for your service. The Committal hall is set up nicely and the Service Paintings are worth the trip. If you are interested in using the cemetery for your final resting place you can check in the office while you are there. Its a very simple procedure and quickly done.

Meat raffles are still going well, some times we just use Coborns certificates, as the Summer Temps are hard on the meats. If you haven't attended a raffle yet they are lots of fun and raise some cash for needed projects and people in need. We are still looking for more people at our legion meetings second Monday of the month at the Pine Country Bank at 7:00 PM. Hope to see you there. Gardens are looking very good fresh veggies are making meals better. Rice Fun Days August 20th need people for the parade If you can walk we need you. This is a nice parade and we have a large turn out every year, come join the fun.

Thanks Fred

VIETNAM COMMENOATIVE PIN CELEBRATING THE 50TH YEAR SINCE VIETNAM

Living United States Veterans, who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces during the period of November 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975 regardless of location, are eligible to receive a lapel pin.

We would like all post members and if you know of any one who served in the armed forces to have them submit their names so that we can get a number oh how many Veterans that we have for that period of time, so that we may set up a ceremony to honor you and make the presentation. Contact Charles Anderson at 320-393-2108 or canderson3006@gmail.com . Thank you.

POST SERVICE OFFICER

Charles Anderson

Had several postings come from Kathy Marshik that were posted on the bulletin board at the post? There was one funeral notice for a veteran who was a long time cook at Camp Ripley in Little Falls, there were one employment for a bulk truck driver, and there was one educational opportunity to learn about HVAC that was being held down in the cities. Other than that it was quiet. Phone numbers to keep in mind: VA Phone number- 1-800-827-1000 to report a death, change of address, direct deposit inquire about benefits, MN. State veterans benefits or St. Paul regional office contact Veterans Service Officer VA pension office 1-877-294-6380 Debt Management Office 1-800-827-0648 Anyone born from 1945-1965 should be screened for hepatitis C Virus (HCV) Associated mortality is increasing the number of deaths due to HCV. Ask your care provider. VA still hopes for reform, lawmakers looking else where Agent Orange, is affecting all the generations of the veterans who served there. It is being passed from generation to generation. If you need to contact me at 320-393-2108 land line, and leave message on answering machine, more to come later God Bless America and all of its Veterans. Charlie

Legion Dues (2017) are due. Just a reminder. Let's get Commander Fred a 100% this year. SAL dues will be due shortly.

WARRIORS COLUMN

Jim Hovda, First Sergeant, U.S. Army (Retired)

Chapter XX, Special Forces Association at the Heritage Day parade in Two Harbors, MN on 09 July. I had the honor of carrying the American Flag. (Someone forgot to bring the flag carriers and I had a sore arm.) Our Chapter has been doing this parade for several years. It is well attended and the American Legion Post in Two Harbors are really great hosts.



THE VA MEDICAL CENTER

Has an excellent urgent care facility. It's located just inside the main entrance. If your medical need is more than home treatment can solve, this is your answer. Service is fast the staff will bend over backwards to help.

They also have a dental clinic that just came on line.

ATTENTION C-PAP USERS

Did you know that your c-pap device does not count as a carry-on bag for airline travel? It does not. So, you may have your two bags and, your c-pap device (3) as it is a medical device and is not counted as carry-on luggage. Sure will make life easier for me in the near future.

Jim Hovda

COLOR GUARD COLUMN

Jim Hovda

The Rice Fun Days Parade one of our big events. We'll need all hands on deck. Please be at the legion NLT 2:00 P.M. to get organized. Commander Fred will point everyone in the right direction. Maybe Chaplain Don who will be driving Kilroy will pray for weather that is in the 70's.....

CHAPLAIN'S COMMENTS

Emil Williams

As a pastor I am always looking for ways to help people grow in the Lord and receive more of His love and grace. As a result, I suppose this is the reason I am quoting from Psalm 133:1 which says, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" Years ago I heard a story about a mother who had several boys in the family. When there arose an argument or dispute between a couple of them, she would make them go stand by the wall and quote that verse, standing side by side.

I have, as you have, witnessed meetings when arguments got out of control and hard feelings developed to the point where communication became none existent.

This can also happen between a husband and wife, parents and children, and the list goes on.

When adversarial situations arise, it would be pleasing to the Lord if we would breathe a quick prayer and ask God to help us answer as we should.

I know this sounds like a lofty goal, but if we don't have a goal to shoot for, anything goes.

Next that verse says, "How good and how pleasant to dwell in unity." First, it is good; second, it is pleasant. Much more can be accomplished when there is unity in a family and other relationships, which are void of rancor and hard feelings.

Besides, ill will and bitterness are hard on our health. We may not agree with everyone, but there is a peaceable way to work things out without getting all bent out of shape. Give it a try!

As a chaplain, I pray for each of you so we can enjoy one another's company and receive

God's blessing on our lives. Life is too short to hold a grudge and live in bitterness.

God bless each and every one of you!

S.A.L. Chaplain

Emil Williams

THE FISHING STRINGER & TACKLE BOX

Darlene Hiscock

Hello fisher people. I finally received some fish to write about.

Our bartender, Missy Paggen turned in a 32.5-inch northern pike. Nice fish. Another nice fish turned in by Todd Meehl was a 29-inch walleye. WOW!!! That could be a year winner. I saw the picture. And, Fred Segler got a 24-inch catfish, a 27-inch walleye and a 27-inch northern pike.

Then, liar, liar, liar pants on fire, (Mr. Hovda) tried to say his 24 inch walleye was caught in Minnesota with an Ontario Canada sign in the background..... He told me he could not remember exactly where he caught it, MAYBE Little Rock Lake? Mr. Hovda, I'm a better detective than you think. And, my spies will snitch you off every time. I may have to buy a lie detector device for him or put him in front of a fish inquiry panel.

Remember to fish safe. Watch the weather and wear your PFD. GOD BLESS. Good by – I'm going fishing.

Darlene Hiscock
"AKA" Ms. Tackle Box.

HOLD YOUR EVENT AT THE RICE LEGION you can host a party or other event at our Legion Post **FOR FREE...** No clean up and we can provide a bartender. Catering is an option, or you can host your own food. Catering can be done by Creative Catering.

KEYS FOR CASH FREE MONEY, a take-off from the Alamo. Cheryl and Sandy have a different twist. **EVERY SATURDAY** at 8:00 P.M. the bartender will draw a time, anywhere from 8:00 – 9:00 P.M. whatever time is drawn, that is when the cash drawing will be held. How do you get in on this bonus? Just stop in at the post and enter your name. It's free. No money. You'll be given a number and if it is drawn, you win. **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.** As of the writing of this article the cash is \$50.00. The prize will hit a maximum of \$500.00. Eventually, someone will take home the cash. Don't miss the Saturday evening meat raffles, proceeds benefit area groups, come on over and try your luck.

FROM THE CLUB

Cheryl Bovy

Thank you to the Women's Auxiliary for sponsoring our golf team for the Rice is Camber tournament. We came in 17 under par, which is great but not great enough to win. A good time was had by; my sister in law Judy Huls, Jay Galarneault, Bob Holthaus and myself. Thank you.

Our bingo numbers are getting higher by the week. Come and join us for bingo on Wed. nights at 7. Also don't forget the meat raffle on Sat. night's and Key for cash.

See you on the 20th of Aug for the fun of Rice days.

Cheryl

God Bless America



AUXILIARY NEWS

Joyce Segler

As I assume the role of president of the Rice Legion Auxiliary, I want to take this opportunity to thank Janice Martin for her many exemplary years as our president. I hope I can do as well.

Although we don't meet in the summer months we did have an impromptu meeting because we were asked by Dennis and Annette Houg to do the food service at their auction on Aug.13. We decided this maybe a good fundraiser so we are going to accept the opportunity. The auction is Aug 13 at 15076 15th Ave NW Rice, MN If you are able to help we would be happy to hear from you. Many hands make lite work!! Call Joyce 393 2484

On another note we have been awarded the parking at City Hall during the Craft Fair Sept 10 & 11. Please keep it in mind, as we will, again need help Sat and Sun

Auxiliary Dinner is Tues. Aug.9 Grilled Steak, Baked Potato and all the trimmings; servers are Pat Fuchs, Mary Ann Keeney and Cindy Larson

Hope to see you all there.. Joyce

AUGUST 2016 LEGION CALENDAR

01 Air Force Day.

03 BINGO. 7:00 P.M. Post

04 Happy B'day, U.S. Coast Guard. (1790)

06 Keys for cash 8:00 P.M. Meat raffle 7:00.

07 Purple Heart Medal established. (1782)

08 Legion meetings. (See below)

09 Auxiliary dinner. 5:00 - 7:00 P.M. Post.Grilled Steak, Baked Potato, Salads, Desserts

09 VOTE – VOTE – VOTE. (Primary)

10 BINGO, 7:00 P.M.

11 US combat troops leave Vietnam. (1972)

13 Keys for cash 8:00 P.M. Meat raffle 7:00 P.M.

15 Japan accepts unconditional surrender. (1945)

16 MN St Vets Cemetery mtg. 10:00 A.M. ?? Cemetery, LF.

17 BINGO, 7:00 P.M.

20 PARADE – Rice Fun Days – 3:00 P.M.

20 Keys for cash 8:00 P.M. Meat raffle 7:00 P.M.

21 Civil war officially declared over. (1865)

24 BINGO, 7:00 P.M

27 Keys for cash 8:00 P.M. Meat Raffle 7:00 P.M.

31 Bingo. 7:00 P.M.

LEGION MEETINGS WILL BE AT THE PINE COUNTRY BANK. Meetings start with (1) Legion Club Committee 6:00 P.M., (2) Legion Board of Directors at 6:30 P.M. & (3) Legion & SAL meeting 7:00 P.M. SAL members meet w/Leg. (3) **Auxiliary at the Joyce Segler residence, 9565 Isaac Rd NW Rice 7:00 P.M. NO MTGS DURING THE SUMMER...**

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