



THE AMERICAN LEGION

Hasso Briese Post 0473

November 2017

FROM THE COMMANDER

Fred Segler

Man does time fly!!!! Seems like. I just wrote this last week. Your commander was appointed to the Cemetery board at Camp Ripley. It's a beautiful and peaceful place, if you haven't visited it you should. The paintings in the committal hall are worth the trip. All branch's of service will be painted, Coast Guard, Navy, and Army are done the Marine Corps will be done in Jan. Some time later the Air force will be done.

Last week my son Jim and I had the pleasure of hunting peasants at Sand Pines game farm. 30 Veterans were chosen for a European hunt, 300 peasants were released and flow over 10 stands each with 3 Vets. 245 didn't make it. The DAV sponsored the hunt and a great time was had by all. Followed by a great meal of chicken and ribs with all the fixings, this was set up by Trobeks.

MN. Deer season opens in 2 weeks please be safe, Fishing has been slow but still fun. We have some interest in the cemetery property will let you all know how that goes. Meat raffles are still going on; lots of fun and sometimes you win. They are raising money for some very worthy causes, and the club makes a little money at the bar. Hope to see more of you there. Last month had a little work done at the VA checked eyes and some other things every thing worked out well, they doe a great job there and every one should let them know how much we appreciate them. Well will not bore you any longer enjoy fall colors and stay safe.

Bob Ecrickson will be at the club on Nov. 13 at 8:00 pm he will give a talk on his trip to Alaska, this is connected to the Veterans. Every one is invited. Bob helped us find the survey markers at our Cemetery property and did it twice for no charge; it would be nice to have a large crowd. Thanks Fred

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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.

POST SERVICE OFFICER

Charles Anderson

Free Blacksmithing Class for veterans Nov 10th Kens Custom Iron, Phone 320-746-8161, mail@kensiron.com, 37634 County Road 9, Avon, MN. Flyer at Legion
The American Legion takes to the airwaves with a salute to Veterans.

Nov. 11, 2017, on amateur radio airwaves.

Walgreens offers free flu shots to Veterans.

State Bill Tracker: 14 Signed by Governor, 24 Approved, 17 Introduced, 8 Included, 7 Laid over, 2 Establish conference committee

Federal Bill Tracker: 5 Introduced. 1 Passed.

Sand pine pheasants is wondering if there are any women who would be interested in a Women pheasant hunt. Contact <http://sandpinepheasants.com>

Flyer at legion about Thank you for your service Screening on Nov. 11.

State of Minnesota Veterans Day Ceremony At Inver Grove Heights. Veterans Community Center. Nov. 11.

Army to add more Women to Infantry and Armor.

35th Anniversary of the Wall. (Vietnam)

Flyer for Veterans Job Fair, Minneapolis VA medical center, Nov. 21, 2-4:30 pm

Sixth Annual Veteran Small Business Services Event, Minneapolis VA Med. Center. Nov. 18, 8:30 am-2:30 pm. Registration is required. Flyer at legion.

Acres for Life, Therapy and Wellness Center, Thank You For Your Service, Film, Nov. 10th, Wooddale Church, 1407 Nicolet Ave. Minneapolis, MN. 7 pm. Flyer at legion.

Cirque Du Soleil, Crystal, Nov. 9-12, Target Center. Veterans and Family Special Offer.

Community Care Case Management Program. Flyer at Legion.

Flyer at Legion on, On-the-job training (OJT) & apprenticeship.

Seeking Medical Help in the Community, Flyer at legion.

Rapid Appeals Modernization Program (RAMP). Background information, Script, & Faqs. Flyer at Legion.

St. Cloud VA Update for Oct. Flyer at Legion.

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COLOR GUARD COLUMN

No events scheduled. Keep uniforms squared away for short notice events.

MEMBERSHIP (2017-18) DUE

Legion Aux and SAL dues invoices should have been received by the membership. Your prompt attention is appreciated. Thanks to those who have already paid. You can pay at the post if you desire. Leg \$40.00 - - - SAL \$15.00 - - - Aux \$20.00. We prefer a check rather than cash.

Wreaths Across America will be sponsoring there annual wreath campaign for this years wreath laying ceremony at Camp Ripley, in Little Falls and Fort Snelling cemeteries. This is an annual event, which is on December 16, at 10:00 am this year, at the respective cemeteries.

1st Lt. Richard Raveling of the local Civil Air Patrol Squadron in St. Cloud is again spearheading the campaign. Lieutenant Raveling is a SAL member here in Rice. If you would like to donate the effort, you may contact Lieutenant Raveling by phone at [320-248-6620](tel:320-248-6620), his cell phone. By doing this he will get you the paper forms to donate, and he will take care of the paper work. Or the other option is to go to www.wreathscrossamerica.org. Once on the page scroll down to donate, and click on it, which will bring up the available buttons to donate. Click on St cloud MNC116 and it will open a page for you to donate. Wreaths are \$15.00 each, of which \$5.00 comes back to the strictly volunteer CAP squadron to help with there costs of operations. Multiple quantities are available, as well as company sponsorships also.

Please assist the Civil Air Patrol in there endeavor to cover the entire cemetery with wreaths, the mission is to: 1: Remember, 2: Honor, and 3: Teach about the sacrifices and duties of our fallen and current veterans.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Raveling 1st Lt. CAP "Semper Vigilans"

CHAPLAIN'S COMMENTS

Don Miklos

Due to illness, no report. Hope everyone has a great Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Day. Keep Donny and Phyllis in your prayers.

THE FISHING STRINGER & TACKLE BOX

Darlene Hiscock

Getting time to put away the fish rods and get out the guns. Please be sure to hunt safe.

No walleyes turned in. If you fish away from home (in MN) be sure to let me know. Pat Pop thought you had to be a Legion member to enter fish. I told her "open bar, open contest." Then she tells me Art got a 28-inch northern pike and pat got a 28-inch northern too. Their son Steve beat out mom and pop, he got a 31-inch northern. No catfish.

I haven't heard from Fred, maybe Joyce told him he was done fishing for the year. Fat chance of that. And, Don Miklos is taking care of Phyllis so his fishing partner is not available.

I know you "hard water" anglers are eager to get on the ice. We've had ice in November. PLEASE – be safe. Going into 37 degree water is not good.

GOD BLESS

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 \$500.00. 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

November is here and with that comes our annual widows night out. The date for that is the 3rd of November. Start time is 7pm. We have bingo deer race games, food, basket raffles, door prizes and lots of fun. All proceeds go back to our community, Auxiliary, Rice Women of Today and the local food shelf. If you can donate a basket of goodies for the raffle that would be great, just let me know before hand.

The Key for Cash is up to \$500 and the meat raffles are going great. Come join in the fun and win.

Bingo numbers are up also. Maybe a winning streak in your future. That's Wednesdays at 7pm.

I can't believe I can say this already "Happy Thanksgiving" to all.

AUXILIARY NEWS

Joyce Segler

I can't believe it is November! What a beautiful warm October we have had, gorgeous leaves sunny days only Minnesota puts on such a beautiful show.

So now we head forward to Deer Hunting, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and hopefully more nice sunny days. I don't know about you but a little sunshine always makes me happy!

We will be bringing apples to Rice Elementary on Nov. 10th in honor of Veterans Day, also goodies for the teachers the week of the 12th for education week.

The Nov. Auxiliary Dinner is Tues Nov. 14, Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches, servers are the Petron Ladies, Dorrain, Pat and Bev. Hope to see you all there.

Until next time, Blessings Joyce

Great Clips will give free haircuts to Vets and active Military on Veterans Day 11/11—there are 4 Great Clips in the St Cloud Area.. Don't need a haircut now go in and they will give you a certificate for later.

NOVEMBER 2017 LEGION CALENDAR

01 BINGO. 7:00 P.M. Post.

03 Widows weeknd.

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

05 Daylight savings time ends. (CLOCK BACK ONE HOUR...)

07 Election day – in some areas.

08 BINGO. 7:00 P.M. Post.

10 Happy B'day, USMC. (1775) Is someone getting a cake???

11 Keys for cash 8:00 P.M. Meat Raffle 7:00 P.M. & Veterans ay. (Fly flag)

11 Veterans day. Formerly Armistice Day. Fly Glag.

13 MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS (Leg, Aux & SAL)

14 AUXILIARY DINNER 5 – 7:00 P.M. Post.

15 BINGO. 7:00 P.M. Post.

15 Rice Area Chamber meeting. Noon.

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

22 BINGO. 7:00 P.M. Post

23 Thanksgiving Day. (CLUB CLOSED) (Fly flag)

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

29 BINGO. 7:00 P.M. Post

Legion meetings start w/the bar committee 6:00 P.M. followed by the BOD meeting at 6:30 and ending with a combined SAL and Leg membership meeting at 7:00 P.M. at the Pine Country Bank meeting room. The auxiliary will meet at 7:00 P.M. at the legion. All members are encouraged to attend.

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