

THE AMERICAN LEGION

Hasso Briese Post 0473 October 2018

FROM THE COMMANDER

Jerry Lage

Fall is making its presence known as we shifted from ninety degrees to the fifties in 24 hours. Now we can look forward to a portrait of autumns amazing colors.

Thank you to everyone who in any way made our 9-11 Patriot Day event successful. The citizen participation from the city was greatly appreciated.

Don't miss our next membership meeting on Columbus Day Oct. 8th at 7:00 pm. George Fiedler, Benton County Veterans Service Officer will join us with updates on VA benefits and other Veteran programs.

Please keep in mind and be ever cognizant of our candidates' views for election. Are they a veteran, do they support a strong military, are they compassionate about the VA, Veterans and Veteran family needs. NOW is the time to make smart choices, not just party lines, that will long term support our military and those that have served.

Important Dates:

Oct. 6 6th & 9th Dist. Rally at 11:00 am. Post 428 Waite Park

Oct. 8 6:15 pm Post 473 BOD, 7:00 pm membership

Nov 4 Daylight Savings time begins

Nov 6 Election Day

Nov 11 Veterans Day

Remember: "Good Enough" - Never Is!

For God, Country, & Family Commandeer Lage

POST SERVICE OFFICER

Charles Anderson

Joint Retiree Appreciation Day (JRAD), Dec. 5th, 2018, Treasure Island Resort and Casino near Welch/Red Wing, Minnesota.

2018 Minnesota Humanities Center Veteran's Voices Award Recipenints Announced.

Comcast has now helped more than Six Million low income American's cross the Digital Divide through its Internet Essentials Program.

MDVA News letter update Sept. 7th.

MACV News letter August 2018

Al Queda leader releases 9/11 statements, just as insane as ever.

9/11, by the numbers.

Trump Pays Tribute To 9/11 'True Heroes' In Pennsylvania Memorial Visit.

Flight 93 passenger and crew: They were Truly heroes'.

Legion posts planning 9/11 remembrances.

Virginia post, community epitomize promise to 'never forget' 9/11.

VA is making breakthroughs in tech-centric mental health treatments.

Join TRIDARE for September 27 Webinar on New Dental, Vision Coverage.

PTSD in Late Life, There is three sections on this, all stapled together.

Emergency Transportation (Ambulance), Emergency Medical Care.

Veterans Journal: VA, Walgreens collaborate to improve veterans' care coordination.

VA nurses are empowered to go above and beyond for their patients.

VEToga founder Practices what he preaches.

Mind, Body & Soul.

Thousands of Vietnamese, including offspring of U.S. troops, could be deported under Trump policy.

Schumer calls for more funding, new hires at Veterans Affairs.

Congress reaches deal to fund government through Dec. 7, preventing shutdown.

MILTARY SCIENTISTS CONFIRM REMAINS OFTWO US TROOPS RETURNED.

VA Must Prove to Women Vets That They Belong.

What happens now that Veterans can file class-action suits against VA? The graces to succed.

Making the move easier for military spouses.

Helping veterans find civilian jobs.

Wood Products Based Veteran Owned Company Is Hiring Veterans Today.

Army is Paying Out \$35,000 Bonuses to Reduce Apache Pilot Shortage.

Kris Paronto reflects on 6-year Benghazi anniversary-'those heroes who died exemplified American spirit, patriotism.

After 17 years of fighting in Afghanistan, is change coming?

MATTIS MAKES SURPRISE VISIT TO AFGHANISTAN IN PUSH FOR

RENEWED PEACE TALKS WITH TALIBAN.

Russia launches it's biggest ever war games involving China.

The UK's Newest Air Craft Carrier, Complete With Its Own Pub, Has Landed in America.

Post going 'all the way' to spruce up famous Jet. FRIENDS IN HIGH PLACES. New Defense Authorization Law Includes Several Victories for Veterans. The

John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act of 2019.

Hastings Veterans Home Welcomes New Administrator. Michael Anderson has been selected to take over.

U. S. Mint unveils Legion centennial coin designs.

'Forgotten Hero' of Korean War shares his story in Indianapolis.

Air Force Warrant Officers Might Solve Cyber Retention, DIA Official Says.

Sailor Dies in Flight-Deck Mishap Aboard the Carrier George H. W. Bush.

Drug-Running, Lax Opioid Testing Found in VA's Residential Treatment Programs.

The Army is developing a new strategic cannon to devastate targets over 1,000 miles away.

US, Russia remain at 'impasse' over Open Skies treaty flights.

FLUE VACCINATION CLINICS FOR ELIGIBLE VETERANS ACROSS CENTRAL MINNESOTA. ST. CLOUD MEDICAL CENTER, 4801 VETERANS DRIVE, ST. CLOUD. Oct 2,3, &4, 8 am-5pm, in bldg 96, Oct. 2,9, 23, & 30 (Tuesdays), 4:30-6pm. Bldg. 1, Oct. 1-5, 9-31 (weekdays), 8 am-4 pm. In the Urgent Care Clinic. Alexandria VFW Post 936, 1102 3rd Ave. E. Alexandria, Oct. 12 & 26, Noon- 3:30 pm., Brainerd VA Clinic, 722 N. W. Seventh St. Brainerd, Oct. 2, 10 & 22, 10 am-2 pm.

Free flu shots for enrolled Veterans at Walgreens.

LEST WE FORGET., SUNDAY, Nov 11, 4pm., WORLD WAR 1 ARMISTICE CENTENARY CONCERT. See flyer at legion.

Blue Water Navy Supporters Pressure Isakson, Target VA Secretary's Hardline. Former VA secretaries spar over 'blue water' Navy benefits.

Trump IDs two soldiers recovered from North Korea.

U. S, coastal patrol ships complete Grifen missle shoot. Air Force Green lights T-6 Trainer as Safe to Fly After Recent Crash.

America's Snipers in The Great War.

The next generation of American Legion Leaders.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS Friday Digest: Sept. 21, 2018.

POW/MIA

Charles Anderson

As of Sept. 23. 2018 there have been 139 Veterans Accounted for, 35 in the last month. World War 2- 29, Korean War-3, Vietnam War-2.

MEMBERSHIP

Jim Wolf

Around October 8th, the second round of renewal notices will be sent out. It takes headquarters a while to process memberships so even if your dues are paid up a week or two before then, you may still get a notice. We have processed 93 members for the 2019 roster, and we are at 132 current members for 2018. The SAL 2019 roster is at 7 and we have 24 members current for 2018. The 2 for 1 ticket that you receive with your membership card expire at the end of the year so don't wait too long. Please welcome new Legion members Joseph Gibbons, and Herbert Reinarz, and for

Jim Wolf Membership

the S.A.L., Chad Lage and Jason Lage.

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. **NEW** also, walk-in services Audiology to have hearing issues taken care of. Call first at: 320/255-6370 X4370.

NEED A RIDE TO A MEDICAL APPPOINTMENT AND LIVE IN BENTON COUNTY - CALL FOLEY AREA CARE. THEY WILL TRY TO GET YOU TRANSPORTATION. 968-7848

These folks can use more volunteer drivers. Jim Hovda is one of the volunteer drivers and volunteers to drive veterans from the Rice area. This is a really good cause. The same phone number applies.

COLOR GUARD COLUMN Jim Hovda

The Color Guard was present and doing honors at the seventeenth annual Patriot Day ceremonies at the Memorial Monument. The refurbishment of the monument really looked great. Darlene Hiscock (AKA Ms. Tackle Box) did honors with the bugle playing "Taps." Never missed a note. Atta girl! On a side note members of the Benton County Sheriff's Office, Minnesota State Patrol, Rice City Police and Fire were in attendance.

CHAPLAIN'S COMMENTS

Emil Williams

What's in a Name?

The other day a friend of mine was reading in the Bible and came across a long list of names in the book of <u>Nehemiah</u> and wondered, "Why all the names?" Perhaps you, too, have wondered what the purpose was for all (well, almost all!) those hard-to-pronounce names.

There are several other places in the Bible where there are long lists of names. For example, in the first chapter of <u>Matthew</u> it is nearly all names so that the genealogy of Jesus can be proven.

In my readings and studying, I came across one of the answers to my friend's question. In a footnote it said, and I quote from the <u>NEW SPIRIT FILLED LIFE BIBLE</u>, page 692, "To have the family name or tribal name, lost to succeeding generations was considered by ancient cultures to be a horrible event. Its preservation was also highly guarded."

Another reason for listing names was so Jesus' lineage could be traced back to King David, because God had promised to David that he would have an heir to sit upon his throne forever.

"So," you say, "What does all of this mean, 'What's in a name?' "We read in Matthew 1:23, "They shall call His name "Immanuel", which means 'God with us.' "Simply put, in the name "Immanuel" (God with us) there are many benefits such as: we receive forgiveness of our sins, continual guidance, healing, comfort, love, correction, encouragement, strength to do what is right, kindness, wisdom, sanctification, peace, humility, integrity, resurrection, etc. You may ask, "Why do we need to have our sins forgiven?" Because we have all sinned and we need a savior. We can never be good enough to earn our way to heaven. John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world (meaning 'Mankind')" "that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." Also, Ephesians 2:8-9 says, "For by grace are you saved by faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works lest any man should boast."

So now we have a better understanding of what all is included in the meaning of the name "Immanuel" which means, "God with us". I cannot think of a better thing in this short lifetime than to know that God is with us.

Emil Williams SAL Chaplin

As many of you know, there is a white board at the Legion with the names of individuals who need prayer for various reasons. We encourage you to lift up these individuals to our Heavenly Father, and petition Him for comfort, healing, and help in each person's time of need.

If you know others who need prayer, please call Don Miklos (320-584-5825), Emil Williams (320-393-2203), or the Legion (320-393-4545).

These are the names of those currently on the list: Jerry Hiscock, Philly Miklos, George Gazette, Kelly Bonde, Mike Huls, and Fred Segler.

THE FISHING STRINGER & TACKLE BOX DarleneHiscock

Fall is creeping up on us, need we cook; the next day almost put the furnace on. Only one fish turned in Fred Segler got a 19 ¾" Walleye a couple days before he had a pacemaker put in. Hoping all goes well.

Hovda can't catch any fish around here so he went to Canada. He'll probably want to register them here.

Gardens are pretty much cleaned out jars are full and everybody is ready for hunting. I've already heard from good sources that the "Fish King" in Canada fishing was going to try to SNEAK in a winning fish by telling me just that he caught it in Lake of the Woods. Not so fast bucko.... As it turns out, (A reliable informant who does not want to be named) told me that-- his only catch n three long days of fishing was TWO 15-inch walleyes, one 9-inch crappie and one small Rock bass. Wednesday evening getting out f the boat he threw his back out and could not fish on Thursday. After hearing those MEAGER results of fishing, the "Fish King" title I gave you is in serious question. That said, I hope your back gets better.

Hunt safe and God Bless

Darlene Hiscock "AKA" Ms. Tackle Box.

<u>E-TABS NOW AVBAILABLE AT YOUR POST</u> and, we have a variety of games. ONE OF OUR POST MEMBERS JUST WON \$1,500.00. You should have seen the smile on one happy face.

PULL TAB DONATIONS - September

You good folks who take your chances at winning lots of \$\$\$\$ also make it possible for your post to donate to many causes. Also, the good folks who sponsor meat raffles raise money for those in need. Donations include: To two citizens in need you're post Color Guard and the Rice Elementary PTA.

E-tabs are doing well. A couple of big winners having to get their large check from the State of MN.

We would be remiss if we did not extend our appreciation for the outstanding support of the meat raffles. Many in our community have benefitted from your generosity.

Our post thanks everyone for their support.

***Need money for your youth activities, a health issue or other cause - - consider doing a meat raffle. Call Cheryl at the Legion (393-4545) for more info. It takes about 1.5 hours of your time. We have some Saturday's available.

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, 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. We are at the top dollars \$500.00.



FROM THE CLUB

Cheryl Bovy

Well fall is upon us. Love sweatshirt weather. Our dear friend Holly is no longer going to be bartending at the Legion. We will miss her dearly. On that note we are looking for a part-time bartender. Working about two or three days a week.

Our fall pub-crawl is being held the third Saturday in October. Get a team together and come and have some fun.

Our Windows Night Out is held the Friday before opening of deer hunting. We are looking for gift baskets for that night. The money we make that night goes to good causes, the food shelf, the race Women of Today, and the Auxiliary.

Cheryl

AUXILIARY NEWS

Tammy Kilman

Auxiliary dinner is October 9th with fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, salads and desserts. Servers are Cindy Larson, Jeanette Miller, and Janice Martin.

Membership renewals are out, reminders should be to your mailbox, we did have to raise the due to \$25.00 for seniors and junior are the same \$10.00. We are having trouble with some not paying the correct amount. The national Auxiliary people are making it hard by putting 2019 junior dues for this unit are

\$10.00 for each person

\$12.00 of your dues is the national portion

Please is regard that and pay the dues of \$25.00 for members that are 19 years old and older. The children's dues are \$10.00 for children zero to 18 years old. If you have any question please contact me at 393-2108

Thank you Nancy Anderson, Membership

OCTOBER 2018 LEGION CALENDAR

- 01 Women's Army Corps established. (1943)
- 03 BINGO 7:00 P.M. Post.
- 06 Keys for cash 8:00 P.M. Meat raffle 7:00 P.M.
- Operation Enduring Freedom begins. (Afghanistan) (2001)
- 08 MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS (Leg, Aux & SAL)
- 08 Columbus Day. (Fly Flag)
- <u>09 Auxiliary Dinner, 5 7:00 P.M. Post.Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, salads and desserts</u>
- 10 BINGO. 7:00 P.M. Post
- 13 Keys for cash 8:00 P.M. Meat Raffle 7:00 P.M.
- 13 Happy B'day U.S. Navy. (1775)
- 14 Cuban Missile Crisis begins. (1962)
- 17 BINGO. 7:00 P.M. Post.
- 20 Keys for cash 8:00 P.M. Meat Raffle 7:00 P.M.
- 24 BINGO. 7:00 P.M. Post.
- 25 U.S. Invades Grenada. (1983)
- 27 Keys for cash 8:00 P.M. Meat Raffle 7:00 P.M.
- 27 Navy Day
- 31 BINGO. 700 P.M. Post. HALLOWEEN.....

NOTE MEETING TIMES

Legion meetings at the Pine Country Bank meeting room start w/the bar committee 6:15 P.M. followed by the BOD meeting at 6:45 and ending with a combined SAL and Legion membership meeting at 7:00 P.M. The Auxiliary will meet at 7:00 P.M. at the Legion. All members are encouraged to attend.

IMPORTANT POINTS OF CONTACT:

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Crisis Line 1-800-273-8255

National Suicide Prevention 1-800-273-8255