

Commander's Corner

My fellow Legionnaires and our Legion family members, I hope everyone has a wonderful time during the holiday season and are able to spend it with family and friends.

I personally want to thank our Past Post Commander, Bill Anholt, for all the years and hard work he has done at the post and wish him the best in his future endeavors. We have an election in the December 1st membership meeting for the Finance Officer position. Until then, Jessie Horton has been appointed pro-term to help with the hand over. We also have a financial review being done by an outside agent to see if we are still doing business within the best practices for the post.

It's time to get our membership engaged. We have many events happenings and some minor changes coming. I believe these are the spark plug that we need. New faces, New blood, and New Ideas. One mission ended and now another one begins and that is why we are members in the American Legion to be the voice for the Military and our fellow Veterans. We need to get the word out there and let others know.

On Dec 10th we are doing buddy checks on our post members. Please join us at post that morning to help us check on these veterans and their families.

In closing I would like to say thank you for all that you do for the Legion Family, every little bit helps.

Bob Clark, Commander

POST OFFICER CHANGES

After careful consideration of many factors, our post commander, Bill Anholt, resigned on November 16th. We also had our finance officer, Dave Shook, and sergeant at arms, Dennis Geiger resign last month.

Per our bylaws, the 1st Vice, Bob Clark, has moved into the commander position and Roger Towers is now 1st Vice. At our last membership meeting, Jessie Horton was voted on to be the pro-term finance officer while Dave trains her in our post finances.

Please come to membership meeting on December 1st to nominate and vote on our finance officer position and to put in nominations for 2nd Vice and Sergeant at Arms.

If you are interested in any of these positions and have questions feel free to reach out to Bob or Kim.

Adjutant's Message

We have an exciting December coming up and we need your help!

LEGION MEETING DECEMBER 1 – We have a lot of changes that have happened and more to discuss. Please come to membership meeting to make sure your voice is heard.

BUDDY CHECKS – We will call our veterans to see how they are doing on December 10th starting at 10 am. Please come to post with your cell phone ready. We will have a list of phone numbers and scripts you can use. Contact the adjutant if you have questions.

LIGHTED TRACTOR PARADE – The American Legion is expected to be in the parade with flags on December 10th at 5:30 pm. If you want to participate by being on the float or quads, please call Kim at 469-735-1364. We can even have your family on the float if room allows. Stay tuned to our Facebook page, @granthodgepost17, for float decorating times and places if you want to help decorate.

STUFF STOCKINGS – Every year we stuff stockings and deliver them to various senior centers in the area for veterans residing there. Please join us at post on December 17th at 9 am to stuff stockings. KIDS ARE INVITED to participate! We will also deliver those stockings on December 20th at 10 am. Contact the adjutant with any questions.

Kim Shires, Adjutant

Gentle Reminder

The parking lot behind our building belongs to the bank. They have asked us to not fill it up during business hours. And we are not supposed to park in the 3 spaces directly behind their door under any circumstances. We need to be a good neighbor. Please be courteous and considerate. They can have cars towed away at owner's expense.

★ KARAOKE NIGHT ★

Pinky will be our DJ again for Karaoke night! Join the fun!

December 17th at 7 PM

LIQUOR RAFFLE WEDNESDAYS



Every Wednesday at 5:30 we start drawing names to win. You can buy tickets right before the drawing or any time during the week.

Seahawks Game Time

Please bring a snack to share and enjoy the day with us! Hotdogs will be on the grill!

See calendar for dates & times.



FACEBOOK



To see what's current at the Post and get notification of our upcoming events, please like and follow Grant Hodge Post 17, @granthodgepost17. This is separate from the Facebook friend "Grant Hodge Americanlegion".

If you have an event to post, or information you want to share with everyone please email all details and pictures to Kim at adjutant@granthodgepost17.org.

POST CLOSURES

Be aware that we are closing at 6 pm on both Christmas Eve and New Years Eve and will be completely closed on Christmas Day.

GOOD EATIN' IN POST 17

Join us for a nice dinner on Friday December 16th. You have the option of a steak dinner for \$15 or salmon for \$12. Reservations required. Call the post to save your steak or salmon today!

4 Guys Burger Night is always delicious fun! Join us on the 2nd for some good eatin'!

The kitchen is open every Tuesday and Wednesday in December. See calendar for any specifics.



Senior Center Visits

Join our Veterans on a monthly visit to the Twin Cities Senior Center the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 10:30 am.

Outpost

If you would like to contribute an article to the outpost please bring it to the post or email the adjutant by the 20th of the month. This is your newsletter. We need articles to keep it interesting and worthwhile.

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----December Birthdays----

- 01 – John Keese, Patricia Dennehy
- 02 – Stacy Ditch
- 04 – Marsha Goebel, Deston Denniston
- 05 – Donald Howard
- 06 – Timothy Singleton, James Kostelecky
- 07 – Ed Parsons
- 10 – Marie Tepponen, Gordon Norquist
- 11 – Larry Stritmatter, Raymond Wagner
- 12 – James Northrup, Joanna Ochs
- 13 – Darla Baker, James Taylor, Kevin Anderson
- 14 – Shawn Anderson, David Pendleton
- 15 – Jim Massey, Matthew Leech
- 16 – Linda Moon, Peggy Murphy
- 17 – Laurel Roses, Robert Wolf
- 18 – Daniel Waller, Gary Sandusky
- 19 – Russell Trentlage, Karin Struck
- 20 – Sheila Pfluger
- 21 – Sandra Spencer, George Robinson
- 22 – Michael Endicott, Boyce Williams
- 23 – Sharon Schultz. Kathy Gray
- 24 – Steven Hatfield
- 26 – Gary Hartsell
- 27 – Patricia Bunting, Larry Dean
- 31 – Richard Baine

----December Anniversaries----

- 01 – Lowell & Shelly Stewart
- 03 – Mr. & Mrs. Mower
- 06 – Larry & Judy Dean
- 07 – Dale & Linda Stephens
- 11 – Ted & Marsha Goebel
- 13 – Mr. & Mrs. Countryman
- 17 – William & Cheryl Seifert
- 24 – Robert & Dolly Jones
- 26 – Mr. & Mrs. Trentlage

If you had a birthday or anniversary and it's not listed here, we apologize. Please email it to the adjutant at adjutant@granthodgepost17.org. Thanks.



DECEMBER 2022

POST 17

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	November 28	November 29	November 30	1	2	3
	Lounge Board Meeting 6 pm	Executive Board Mtg 7 pm Kitchen Open 3 pm – 6 pm**	Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm Kitchen Open	Auxiliary Mtg 6 pm Legion Mtg 7 pm	4 GUYS BURGER NIGHT 6 pm TX Hold'em 6 pm	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Seahawks Game 1:05 pm	Happy Hour Board 3 pm to 5 pm BINGO 5 pm to 7 pm	Kitchen Open 3 pm – 6 pm**	Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm Honor Guard 6:30 pm Kitchen Open	ALR Meeting 6 pm	TX Hold'em 6 pm	Buddy Checks 10 am Lighted Tractor Parade 6 pm
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Seahawks Game 1:25 pm	Happy Hour Board 3 pm to 5 pm BINGO 5 pm to 7 pm	VFW Meeting 7 pm Kitchen Open 3 pm – 6 pm**	Senior Center 10:30 AM Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm	Seahawks Game 5:15 pm Planning Meeting 6 pm	Steak Night* 6 pm	Christmas Stocking Stuffing 2 pm Karaoke Night 7 pm
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31
MERRY CHRISTMAS! POST CLOSED	Happy Hour Board 3 pm to 5 pm BINGO 5 p to 7 pm Marine Corps League 7 pm	Kitchen Open 3 pm – 6 pm**	Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm Kitchen Open		TX Hold'em 6 pm	POST CLOSSES AT 6 PM

*Call the post to reserve your steak or salmon meal.

**No orders after 6 PM