

American Legion
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AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS 2022-2023

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| Commander | William Anholt |
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| 2 nd Vice Commander | Roger Towers |
| Adjutant | Kim Shires |
| Finance Officer | Dave Shook |
| Chaplain | Mike Webb |
| Sergeant at Arms | Dennis Geiger |

AUXILIARY

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| President | Ann Shirer |
| Vice President | Glennda Thomas |
| Secretary | Chris Anderson |
| Treasurer | Judy Carter |
| Chaplain | Linda Patraca |
| Sergeant at Arms | Mary Justice |
| Membership | Judy Steele |
| | Kim Ronnell |

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS 2022-2023

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| Director | Steve Deuel |
| Assistant Director | Dennis Geiger |
| Secretary | Paul Stray |
| Treasurer | Dave Shook |
| Road Captain | Craig Bower |
| Safety Officer | Bob Johnson |
| Chaplain | Geoff Moore |
| Sergeant at Arms | Dennis Geiger |

Club Hours

Monday – Friday
2 pm to 8 or 9 pm*
Saturday: 1 pm to 8 or 9 pm*
Sunday: 1 pm to 7 pm
Holiday hours may vary

**Subject to early closing due to lack of patronage*

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION 2022-2023

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| Commander | Dave Stezaker |
| 1 st Vice Commander | Gordon Spencer |
| 2 nd Vice Commander | Ron Feist |
| Adjutant | Chris Thomas |
| Finance Officer | Chris Thomas |
| Chaplain | Wayne Ferris |
| Squadron Advisors | Bob Terrell |
| | Bob Clark |

LOUNGE BOARD

Al Gray, 1 year
Ray Denman, 2 years
Pat Althausen, 3 years
Steve Baker, 4 years
Andy Althausen, 5 years

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Bob Terrell Steve Hatfield

Rolly Badavinac

Adjutant's Message

Happy November Legion family! The holiday season is in full swing and I know how very busy each of us gets this time of year. Let's also remember how difficult this time of year can be for many veterans, active duty and their family members.

As you all know, this year's theme from National is "BeTheOne". What does this mean? For me it means to be there for other veterans. Pay attention and reach out to those that are struggling. Stop and listen when a veteran needs to talk, as you may be the only person they feel safe enough to speak with at that moment. Show that person compassion and direct them to any resources that can help them with their struggle. Be willing to walk with that veteran through the process of getting them help. I believe it comes down to showing your fellow veterans' compassion.

As you all know I am new to the Legion and the Post. I would like to see us conduct more Buddy Checks but I have never participated in this valuable service. If anyone is willing to help with Buddy Checks I would love to work with you. Email me at adjutant@granthodgepost17.org.

Let's all.....

BE THE ONE

I hope each you of have a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday!

Kim Shires, Adjutant



Scan this QR code for BeTheOne resources. If the code doesn't work go to www.legion.org/betheone

Honor Guard

The Legion is pleased to report that the Honor Guard is going strong after a slight restructuring. This past summer, Tony Rodriguez accepted the position to lead the Honor Guard, and it has been quite busy as word gets out to Veterans and their families of the service we can provide. We currently have 17 Honor Guard members, but of course not everyone is available at the same time, so we need more volunteers to join us.

We have a short meeting and practice twice a month, usually on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. (after the Liquor Drawing). We've participated in 5 services in the last 3 months, so it's not a huge time commitment. We receive so much gratitude from family members when we show up and provide respect for the veteran that has passed.

If you would like more information on joining the Honor Guard, call Tony Rodriguez at (360) 880-2303.

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.

THANK YOU!

A huge thank you to all our volunteers for Steak Night in October. It was a great success but only because you stepped up! You are appreciated!

☆ MUSIC NIGHT ☆

We aren't sure if it will be a live band, a DJ or more Karaoke but there will be music and fun!

Join us right after Steak Night on November 19th

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

Sunday Afternoons

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

VETERANS DAY PROGRAM & BEAN FEED

Please join us on November 11th at 10:30 to honor all veterans. There will be a wreath laying ceremony and our famous Bean Feed.

GOOD EATIN' IN POST 17

Join us for a nice dinner on Saturday November 19th. 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 4th for some good eatin'!



PITCH TOURNAMENT

Sunday, November 20th
1:00
Check-in at 12:30

\$20.00 per player

Senior Center Visits

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

----November Birthdays----

- 01 - Al Gray
- 02 - Francis Suoma, Cassandra M. Smith, Barb Mallgren, Anthony Zwiefel
- 03 - Robert C. Pollock, Brian P. Fortner
- 04 - Gem Willey
- 05 - Rolly Badavinac
- 06 - Gloria Ibarra
- 08 - Michael Watson, Rose Lebaron, Charles Widmer, Michael Kelly
- 09 - Tom Duncan
- 10 - Susan Haugh, Genevie Mcneill
- 12 - Bunny Yantis
- 13 - Glenn E. Hayertz, Barbara Swenson, Falesha Greenwood, Janet L. Peters, Walt Larson
- 16 - Donna Mitchell, Michael L. Merryman, Chris Thomas
- 18 - Julie Craker
- 19 - Joe H. Bannwarth
- 21 - Agelika A. Voulgaris, Melanie Wirkkala
- 23 - Julia Blackledge, Devin Smith, Glenn Chilcott
- 24 - Kip Busby, Harold K. White
- 25 - Larry A. Petersen, Kathy L. Vinson
- 26 - Ryan Stafford, Mariah G. Smith
- 29 - Diane L. Coutts
- 30 - Michael Hahn

----November Anniversaries----

- 02 - Glenn E. & Robin Hayertz (1999)
- 05 - Larry A. & Susan Haugh (1970) David E. & Gay Crawford (1965)
- 11 - Steve & Missy Buzzard (1967) Marcelo & Bertha Suldano (1965)
- 22 - Robert E. & Ann Shirer (1973)
- 24 - Ronald & Melanie Wirkkala
- 25 - Dennis & Olga Ray (1972) Mr. & Mrs. Larry A. Petersen (1949)

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.

f FACEBOOK f

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.

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.



NOVEMBER 2022

POST 17

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|---|---|--|
| | October 31 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| | Lounge Board Meeting 6 pm | Executive Board Mtg 7 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 | |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Seahawks Game 1:05 pm | Happy Hour Board 3 pm to 5 pm BINGO 5 pm to 7 pm | | Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm Honor Guard 6:30 pm Kitchen Open | ALR Meeting 6 pm | Veteran's Day Program 10:30 am TX Hold'em 6 pm | |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| | Happy Hour Board 3 pm to 5 pm BINGO 5 pm to 7 pm | VFW Meeting 7 pm | Senior Center 10:30 AM Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm Kitchen Open | Joint Planning Meeting 6 pm | TX Hold'em 6 pm | Steak Night* 6 pm Music Night 7:30 pm |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| Pitch Tournament 1 pm | Happy Hour Board 3 pm to 5 pm BINGO 5 pm to 7 pm | | Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm Honor Guard 6:30 pm Kitchen Open | ALR Meeting 6 pm | TX Hold'em 6 pm | SAL Meeting 2 PM |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | | | |
| Seahawks Game 1:05 pm | Happy Hour Board 3 pm to 5 pm BINGO 5 pm to 7 pm Marine Corps League 7 pm | | Liquor Raffle 5:30 pm Kitchen Open | *Reservations required. Call the post to get on the list. | | |