







# The Legionnaire

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#### **POST OFFICERS**

Commander: Tony Moore
1st VCDR: Byron Pianalto
2nd VCDR: Eugene Kleinfelter
3rd VCDR: Jim Dunning
Adjutant: Victoria Bell
Finance: David Seate
Service Officer: Eric Isaksen
Chaplain: Frank White
Sgt-at-Arms: Bob DeChamplain

Historian: TBD

<u>Exec Board</u>

Mary Lee Lupejkis

Michael Bolton

Paul Murch

### **LEGION RIDERS**

Director: Keith DeLucenay Ass't Dir: Paul Murch Adjutant: Shane Kelly Treasurer: David Seate Safety Officer: Ted VanHorn Chaplain: Paul Murch Sgt-at-Arms: James Kern Road Captains:

Exec Board

Josh Goughneour

Al R. Gnome

#### SAL SQUADRON

CDR: Fred Vaccarella
1st VCDR: Dave Samson
2nd VCDR Mike Schmidt
Adjutant: James Doty, Jr.
Treasurer: Jeff Evans
Chaplain: Rocky English
Sgt-at-Arms: Mike Atkinson
Historian: Dan Schmidt

Exec Board
Steve Gower
Cliff Carney
Kenneth O'Bryan

#### **AUXILIARY**

President: Nancy Bell Vice President: Jean Lewis Secretary: Dorothy Price Treasurer: Anne Starke Chaplain: Marcia Brothers Sgt-at-Arms: Salina Kiel Historian: Sharon Bukowski

Exec Board Linda Byrd Cheryl Loyko Cathy Rook

COMMANDER: Your next Post Meeting will be held June13 @ 7:30 pm. Please try to attend. Elected Post officers for 2017-2018: Commander-Tony Moore; 1st Vice Cdr-Byron Pianalto; 2nd Vice Cdr-Duff Kleinfelter; 3rd Vice Cdr-Jim Dunning; Adjutant-Vacant; Finance-David Seate; Service Officer-Eric Isaksen; Chaplain-JJ Willis; Sgt-at-Arms-Bob DeChamplain; Historian-Vacant; Executive Committee-Ken Nobles, Tim Gonyea, Gene Niedholdt and Brian Bell. Installation of officers will be June 27. For God and Country, Tony Moore.

<u>Upcoming Events</u>: 2<sup>nd</sup> District Convention June 4 @ 1 PM at Post 37. Flag Day June 14 @ 6 PM. Bowling Party June 10 @ 6 PM.

FIRST VICE COMMANDER: Currently we are at just over 932 new & renewals for 2017. If your membership card does not have 2017 on it your membership has lapsed so

make sure to renew to keep the continuous years going. You may renew your 2017 membership online at <a href="https://www.legion.org/renew">www.legion.org/renew</a> website and pay with credit card; you can also check your personal information and make any corrections if necessary. Renewal online at the above website address is for Post members only.

Next month (July) we will be starting to take renewals for 2018. The Membership representative for the Post, Auxiliary and the Son's will have a table set up for 2018 renewals at

2018. The Membership representative for the Post, Auxiliar and the Son's will have a table set up for 2018 renewals at the July 4th picnic. Renew between July and the Labor Day picnic to receive your Early Bird stamp and you can eat for free at the Labor Day picnic. For God and Country, Byron Pianalto

**SECOND VICE COMMANDER**:: Thank you to all the volunteers for the Memorial Day picnic. For God and Country, Duff Kleinfelter.

**SERVICE OFFICER:** In the month of April we submitted 83 claims, we talked to 189 people about VA benefits, we logged more than 227 hours, and we drove more than 590 miles.

I am excited to announce that we have a third Accredited Service Officer. Congratulations Anne Starke.

We still need a volunteer for TFA's.

We have handicapped equipment here at the post if any of you know anyone who could use walker, crutches, commode seat, etc. For God and Country, Eric Isaksen.

**CHAPLAIN:** No input.

<u>LEGION RIDERS:</u> Several of us attended Rolling Thunder in Washington D. C during Memorial Day weekend. For God and Country, Keith (Cowboy) DeLucenay

ATHLETIC OFFICER: The co-ed softball team has endured weekly rainouts, but is doing great, standing at 3-1. Post 327 will sponsor Maury High school in the junior division American Legion Baseball. See the posted schedules and come see some great games. On June 24th the Challenger teams we sponsored will have an end of season picnic at our pavilion from 2-4.PM I want to thank Commander Tony for stopping and giving welcome to the teams. I also want to thank S.A.L. Commander Fred for being lead cook. Have a super summer. Details next month on softball, baseball and more. Till then...For God and Country, Jeff Evans

SQUADRON COMMANDER: Greetings Fellow Legion Family Members: It is June and can you believe that half the year is passed already? Congratulations to all our June grads. Happy Father's Day to our Dads. Thanks to our Dads that gave their all for our Country so that we can be free. The price of freedom is expensive. The Sons held elections May 8<sup>t.</sup> The results: Cmdr-Fred Vaccarella; 1st Vice Dave Samson; 2nd Vice-Mike Schmidt; Finance-Jeff Evans; Adjutant-James Doty; Historian-Dan Schmidt; Chaplain-Rocky English; Sgt-at-Arms-Mike Atkinson. Executive Officers are Cliff Carney, Steve Gower and Kenny O'Bryan. The Sons congratulate all our fellow elected officers in the legion, Riders and the ALA. Cliff Carney and I along with Anne Starke and several ladies

from the Auxiliary went to the Hampton VA Hospital Veteran's Fair May 17<sup>th</sup>. We had our usual game booth there for the patients to win prizes. There were a lot of smiles and grateful faces. Thank you to everyone who helped make our Spaghetti dinner a Sell Out. June 16<sup>th</sup> the Sons are serving a BBQ platter with slaw, fries, beans, hush puppies dill pickle and of course dessert. These platters go fast so get there early. For God and Country, Fred Vaccarella

ALA PRESIDENT: Hello Ladies. First off I would like to thank everyone for a great year and congratulations to all the new officers and old for the upcoming 2017-2018 year. Job well done by everyone. Also a huge thank you to all the volunteers and people that donated to all of our functions over the last year, we could not do what we do without you. A huge shout out to our Lady of the Year Cathy Rook. It was very well deserved. Our new year is starting and we get to do it all over. Also a huge thank you to Jean Lewis my membership chairman and Vice President. Through all her hard work and perseverance, we were able to reach 100% membership. Thank you!!!. Our dinner on June 2<sup>nd</sup> will be pork tenderloin, potatoes, veggies roll and dessert. Come out and enjoy. For God and Country, Nancy Bell.

ONCE A MONTH SERVICE PROJECTS: Can you spend one day a month to reach out to our community and assist or better the lives of Veterans, Active Duty or Senior citizens? In May, a group went to Ronald McDonald House on Colley Avenue and prepared and served a dinner for 15-20 residents. Next meeting is June 8 at 7 PM. The project planned is a celebration at a senior assisted living home housing many veterans. The Honor Guard is participating in this event. Come to the meeting to get details and how you can participate. We are also looking for volunteer drivers to support Mobile Meals.

**EDITOR:** The Post recently sponsored a Hero Dog who is currently in-service animal training to eventually be paired with a veteran. If you shop on amazon, please go to **smile.amazon.com** and select Hero Dog-5% of qualifying purchases will be donated to the Hero Dogs for Heroes program.

## June 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Outside Volunteer, we outreach to assist our Veterans, Active Duty and Community				7:30 PM Legion Darts 6-10 PM Kitchen Open 9:30AM-4PM Service Office at Post	6:00 PM ALA Dinner - Pork Tenderloin	7:30 PM Karaoke - Eugene 6-10 PM - Kitchen Open
1:00 PM 2nd District Convention @ Post 37 No Breakfast	6:30 PM Girl Scout Meeting 9:30AM-4PM Service Office at Post	7:30 PM ALA Regular Mtg 9:30AM-4PM Service Office at Post	7 7:00 PM 40/8 Promenade @ Post 327	7:00 PM Outside Volunteer Mtg 7:30 PM Legion Darts 6-10 PM Kitchen Open 9:30AM-4PM Service Office at Post	6:00 PM Girl Scout Dinner - Chicken Parmesan	6:00 PM Bowling Banquet 7:30 PM Karaoke - Laddie Harrell 6-10 PM - Kitchen Open
9:00 AM -11:00 AM Breakfast - Girl Scouts	7:00 PM Son's Executive Mtg 7:30 PM Son's Regular Mtg 9:30AM-4PM Service Office at Post	7:00 PM Post 327 Executive Mtg 7:30 PM Post 327 Reg Mtg 9:30AM-4PM Service Office at Post	6:00 PM Flag Day Ceremony 6:30 PM ALA Social & Crafts	6:30 PM Legion Riders Mtg 7:30 PM Legion Darts 6-10 PM Kitchen Open 9:30AM-4PM Service Office at Post	6:00 PM SAL Dinner - BBQ Platter	7:30 PM Karaoke - Eugene 6-10 PM - Kitchen Open
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25 9:00 AM -11:00 AM Breakfast - ALA	26 6:30 PM Bingo at VA Hospital 9:30AM-4PM Service Office at Post	7:30 PM Installation of Officers 9:30AM-4PM Service Office at Post	28	7:30 PM Legion Darts 6-10 PM Kitchen Open 9:30AM-4PM Service Office at Post	30 No Dinner - Kitchen Open	