



Commander's Column

Fellow Legionnaires, ELECTION DAY is Tuesday, November 4th, GET OUT AND VOTE!



Mark your calendars for the "Early Bird Feed", on Monday, Nov 10th, FREE Oyster Stew dinner for paid up members of Legion Post #24.

VETERANS DAY is Tuesday, November 11th; a Big Salute to All Veterans!

Veterans and Legislation round table, is scheduled for Thursday, November 20th at 10:00 a.m. at the American Legion Post, 1412 9th Ave. SW, Watertown, SD and Friday, November 21st, at 12:00 p.m. at the DAV Headquarters, 1519 W. 51st, Sioux Falls, SD and Saturday, November 22nd at 10:00 a.m. at the VFW Post 1273 Home, 420 Main St., Rapid City, SD.

Thanksgiving Day, a day to give thanks for all we have. Freedom!

Monster Burger Night on Monday's. Come out and enjoy a burger! We are still looking for help to set up and prepare the meal, show up at 1:00 pm or 4:00pm as we have jobs for you.

Reminder: Legion Post meetings are held inside the Eagle's building every 3rd Monday of the month at 8:00 p.m. I'm hoping you can find the time to attend.

Christmas Day, let's not forget why we celebrate this day!

Membership in the Legion is very essential for all former military personnel to maintain and improve benefits and services earned through serving our country.

Until next year, may you and your family be safe, happy and healthy.

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Find your number, win a Burger

FIVE randomly selected American Legion membership numbers are printed in the newsletter. If you find your number (see your membership card), in this newsletter you can bring the newsletter in for a FREE MONSTER BURGER any Monday when Monster Burgers are being served (within the time limit give below).

Limit one burger per member, must be claimed within three months of the publication date of the newsletter.

From the Adjutant

November 4th is election day, so vote; then you have the right to complain.



The American Legion Education Loan deadline has passed for November, but applications for May 1st consideration are still possible. The loans are for eligible recipients to continue their education in college or technical schools in SD.

High School Oratorical Scholarship program preparation time is here. Eligible students are to be presently enrolled in Junior High or High School and information packets have been sent to the schools.

Membership is coming in at a good rate. If any Legion person knows of a veteran that might want to join, please pass that information on to the office. If you have your membership payment, you can slide it under the door of the office if I'm not in.

I do copy the Up to Now and place it in the plastic container on the office door. If you are interested, please read it and return it.

As per usual, we always need more volunteers, especially for Color Guards and Funeral details.

The Early Bird feed will be Monday, Nov 10th, so we will not have Monster Burgers that night.

The VFW will hold the Veteran's Day program at the Central High School on Nov 11th, at 10am.

Larry Nupen
Post Adjutant

Roll Call

2014 Post Officers

Table listing 2014 Post Officers: Commander Mel Volk, 1st Vice Earl Schultz, 2nd Vice Dale Strom, Adjutant Larry Nupen, Finance Rich Kezar, Americanism Sam Olson, Chaplain Ruth Van Steenwyck, Sargent at Arms Larry Lightenburg, Asst Sgt at Arms Sid Beckler, Children And Youth Steve Nemmers, Athletics Tom Perrizo, Employment Gary Warne, Historian Dale Strom, Service Pat Steele, Attorney Tom Tonner.

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Early Bird Membership Supper



Monday, the 10th of Nov, from 6:00pm to 7:30 pm will be the annual Early Bird Feed. This is, a free supper to all members of

Sidney L Smith post who have paid their 2015 dues by the start of the meal. If you haven't gotten your 2015 Membership in by the 10th, Go-Getters will be waiting at the door to get you signed up the night of the meal.

The oyster stew is always good, and there will also be chicken, roast beef, and mashed potatoes with gravy. Just make sure to bring your membership card with you to go through the line.

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Don't Forget

Post Meeting is 8:00pm on the 3rd Monday of each month at the Post Home (inside the Eagles Building, 316 South 2nd St, Aberdeen)

American Legion On-Line
Web Sites for more information

Aberdeenlegion.org - Post web page

SDLegion.org - Department of SD

Legion.org - National Headquarters

<http://www.siouxfalls.va.gov/locations/aberdeen.asp> - Aberdeen VA clinic

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Know your Legion Benefits

Moving and Home buyer services. Being a member of The American Legion entitles you to participate in the SIRVA home benefits program.

SIRVA Home Benefits offers American Legion families real estate services with expert guidance, a knowledgeable local real estate agent, and cash rewards of up to \$1,000 or more. Legion members receive exclusive discounts on real estate rewards and reduced closing costs on purchases and refinances.

<http://legion.sirvahomebenefits.com/about>

Phone: (877) 654-5596

TAPS

The following members transferred to Post Everlasting:

Leo Fiock

Joseph H Bruckner

Lawrence "Larry" Welk

Lawrence Floyd Hoffman

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Upcoming Events

Nov 3rd (Monday) - Executive Committee Meeting, 8:00

Nov 4th (Tuesday) - Election Day, Get out and Vote!

Nov 10th (Monday) - Early Bird membership supper 6pm at the Eagles Club (No Monster Burgers)

Nov 11th (Tuesday) - **Veteran's Day**. Program to be held at Aberdeen Central High starting 10:00am.

Nov 17th (Monday) - Legion Meeting, 8:00pm in room A of the Eagles Club, 316 S 2nd St, Aberdeen

Dec 1st (Mon) - Executive Committee Meeting, 8:00pm

Dec 7th (Sun) - Pearl Harbor Day

Dec 15th (Mon) - Legion Meeting, 8:00pm in room A of the Eagles Club, 316 S 2nd St, Aberdeen

Jan 3rd (Sunday) - Oratorical Contest, at the Post home in Aberdeen.

Feb 6th - 8th (Fri-Sun) - Mid-Winter Conferences, Best Western Ramkota Inn, Watertown, SD

Feb 16th (Monday) - Past Commanders and Memorial Night (in lieu of regular meeting).