Commanders Corner
Greetings Members!

I hope all has been safe and well during this COVID-19 Pandemic. As individuals, we all must keep doing the right things in order to be safe. The Legion Family leadership has been meeting and working hard to get the activities that are on the calendar by being safe. This month we will start offering dining in if you would like to or you still can ask for carry out if you would like.

Current needs list for our Veterans at Tomah VA: This list is new every month. The Newsletter will be posted at the Legion.

•Hot Chocolate (regular & Sugar Free)

•Snacks — cheddar and mozzarella cheese sticks, slim jims/beef sticks (not jerky), Mini Fruit Pies, small bags of Chips, full size candy bars

•Regular Coffee (Large Cans)

•Coffee Filters

•HUD-VASH Needs: New Pots & Pans, New Dish Sets (plates, bowls, cups), Bleach, 18 gallon totes

•Clothing Items: NEW Men's Sweatpants (Small & Medium); NEW Women's sweatpants (Small, Medium, Large); NEW Pocket t-shirts (Size Large)

The 2021 Midwinter Conference' May 6-9, 2021 at Ho-Chunk - Baraboo, WI anyone interested in attending please contact me for details.

Our condolence goes out to the families of Fred Pederson.

Our Family Joint meeting is @6:30 on March 10, 2021, all is welcome please joins us you're input is very important.

Hey Legionnaires! I would like to remind you that our membership meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm. If you need to renew your dues you can do that at the meeting. I want to thank Ben Van Horn for volunteering to be a member on Post 51 Honor Guard.

Post Commander
Vern Tranberg

Presidents Corner
Happy New Year!

With the coming of March, so comes the start of Spring, when Mother Nature shows the world that it's time for new beginnings and a fresh start. After the last year I am certainly looking forward to a fresh start and a return to some normalcy. With that said your executive board has decided to open the dining room for limited "eat in" dining, all in compliance with the current capacity restrictions and social distancing in place. We will continue to offer carry-outs to those that aren't quite comfortable coming in for dining. We are very excited to start seeing everyone and getting caught up with you.

If you haven't paid your membership yet, please do so right away. We still have a few that haven't and all unpaid members as of January 31 are considered delinquent. If you are unsure if you have paid or not, please check the bulletin board at the Legion post – there is a list with all unpaid members on it. Please get those memberships in ASAP. I will be reaching out personally in the coming days & weeks as well.

Have you found yourself with some free time lately? Trying to find something to fill that void? We have our officer election coming up in May and need some volunteers for several positions. If you want to throw your hat in the ring, or want more information about officer duties or just want to start attending meetings – we would love to see you! I would like to see our membership get more active in our events that will be coming up in the near future.

This past month at our meeting, we frosted over 100 cupcakes as a Valentine's Day treat for the residents at Lakeview. A couple of us came in the Saturday before and baked them all. What a fun time!!!

Here's wishing you all a great month and here's hoping we all have a little luck of the Irish this month!

Nikki Vidal,
Unit #51 President

Building Committee

The Building Fund Committee committed to the membership that we would keep raising the funds necessary to pay-off the loan needed to do the renovations, so we have a lot of fundraising activities in the works for the upcoming year and we hope you will join us!

Please watch for further updates and different events that will be coming up along with the regular events that we have on a monthly basis.

Nikki Vidal

March 20th, Happy 102nd Birthday to The American Legion!
Start time will be 5pm and we will not be doing the potluck like we have in the past, we will be doing cake and comradery. Bar will be open as well. So please pop in, even if it is for a few minutes or a couple hours of catching up and celebrating our wonderful Legion and Legionnaires.

SAL holds its meeting the third Tuesday of the month
Brat & Porkchop Fry every second Saturday of the Month. Next Brat & Porkchop Sale April 10th. Time 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

SAL Commander
Janes Jacobson

April Events

4 Breskfast 8:00-11:30 am
7 Ex Board 6:30
9 Fish & Shrimp 5:30
10 SAL Brat & Porkchop 11-4 p.m.
13 Aux meeting 6:30
14 Legion Meeting 6:30
15 40/8 6:30
20 SAL 7.00
21 Building Committee 6:30
23 Fish &Shrimp 5:30
30 Fish & Shrimp 5:30

April 19th, Beef tip dinner. Includes tips, mashed potatoes & gravy, vegetable, lefse & dessert. $12. **Inside Dining Starting in March.** Drive by pick up. (drive up, stay in your car, order dinner & we will bring to you.) Space will be blocked off in front of building for drive up. Serving starts at 5:30-until gone. Limited delivery available.
Call 786-0051 to request delivery.

March 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3 Ex Board Mtg 6:30	4	5 Fish & Shrimp 5:30	6
7 Aux Breakfast 8:00 -11:00	8	9 Auxiliary Mtg 6:30	10 Joint Meeting 6:30	11	12	13
14	15 Corned Beef Dinner 5:30	16 SAL Mtg 7:00	17 Building Comm 6:30	18 40/8Meeting 6:30	19 Blood 7-4 Ham Party 5:30	20 Baseball Legion Birthday
21	22	23	24	25	26 Fish & Shrimp 5:30	27
28 Craig	29	30	31			

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