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ALBERT J. HAMILTON POST 7

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Commander's Comments

Wow, this year is going by like crazy. Before you know it, it will be summer although as I write this I still haven't seen spring? I just hope spring comes so we can have our spring clean-up on May 6, at 8:00 AM. Speaking of that the more people that can come out and help on that day the less time we will need to spend on the various tasks. We really want our post to sparkle for the Rider's Romp in June. Our Post 7 Riders have done a phenomenal job in bringing the Romp to our Post as well as planning and fund-raising. Please support our Riders by purchasing tickets to the Romp, lots of fun bands and activities, and support all of their fund-raising activities.

To switch topics; as always, the Legion is in need of more volunteers to help with janitorial duties, handyman or handy woman help i.e., electrical, plumbing, H VAC, electronics, carpentry, you name it and we can use your help. Contact our Adjutant, John Erickson and let him know what you can help with. We would like to have a data base of talent that we can call on should the need arise. Oh, and lastly, we always appreciate help in the kitchen.

To get back to spring, by the time you read this I really hope it did arrive. Dare I go out on a limb and wish all of you a very happy and warm spring. And thank you very much for allowing me to be your Commander. Rick Sucee

Auxiliary President's Message

As I am not running for President next year, I would like to thank you all for your support and good thoughts during my time in office. I will still be on the board as past president. I will still be a volunteer because the things Auxiliary does are important to me. We do make a difference.

Auxiliary's projects are winding down until fall. Our last General Meeting will be on May 15, 2018 where we will vote for our new board members. After that, there are no regular meetings until September for Unit #7 members. During the summer, some of us will go to state and national conventions, the newly elected board will take over after state convention in July. Have a good summer!

For God and Country, Carolyn Mendenhall

Legion Riders Directors Message

We are looking forward to another great year! We have a lot happening. Breakfast every third Sunday from 9 -11:00am, with a rotating menu. Come out and support the Riders.

The ROMP will be here before we know it and should be a great event. Please register online, or you can come into the post on Saturday night and Lisa Boyles can sign you up.

And rides! . . . we will have a lot of rides with some over-night rides also!

Get your bikes tuned up and ready for spring.

Ride Safe, Erika Moran Ride Safe, Erika Moran

SAL Commander Message

Here we are already in May, 2018. Where has the time gone? Again, I would like to take this time to say Thank You to Everyone who have come out to support us. With Summer just around the corner there are a lot of things that are happening at the Post. Please come out and support the Post and all the event's that will be coming up. At this time I want to Thank all my officer's for their great support. As your SAL Commander, it has been a great learning experience for me to understand more about Son of the American Legion.

The SAL will be taking June, July and August off for the Summer and resume the meetings on September 11th, 2018. Enjoy your Summer with your families and friends.

The SAL has also secured a boat trip to Friday Harbor on August 11th, 2018. Tickets will be sold soon and the cost is \$50.00 per person.

SAL Commander Squadron Post 7 Martin Richey

ADJUTANT'S MESSAGE

Thank you for your service by volunteering!

Volunteers are the backbone of this Post. They're elusive. They show up at odd hours to do their work; hours when the rest of us aren't here to witness their efforts. They do the dirty work. Clean our bathrooms, mop our floors, groom our grounds, do the day-to-day wear and tear maintenance necessary to keep our door open, they put away what the rest of us discard and ignore.

They're elusive. No hubris. No pretension. Just unselfishly giving of their time, talent, devotion, and goodwill. They don't even seek recognition. Wait! I think I see one! No, never mind, it's just her. You know her, or him – them. The ones that are quick to complain or criticize, followed by that deafening sound of silence so artfully deployed when the opportunity to serve presents itself.

Here's a thought. YOU could become one of these unsung heroes simply by saying 'how can I help?' What can I do to lighten the load? I want to make a difference. I want to make a contribution to our mission. Be an elusive.

Respectfully submitted, John L. Erickson, Post 7 Adjutant



MAY 2018

1 st	Tuesday	Building Improvement Meeting	6pm
1 st	Tuesday	Post & Aux E-board Meetings	6:30pm
2 nd	Wednesday	MCL Parade Committee Meeting	12pm
2 nd	Wednesday	MCL Meeting	6:30pm
3 rd	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
4 th	Friday	SAL Taco Night	5-7pm
5 th	Saturday	BHS Community Band	9am
5 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/SAL Food	5-7pm
5 th	Saturday	Dart Meat Shoot	6pm
5 th	Saturday	Karaoke w/Bobby Lee	7pm
6 th	Saturday	Spring Post Clean-up	9am
6 th	Sunday	Riders Officer Meeting	12pm
7 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6pm
7 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
8 th	Tuesday	Early Bird	ALL DAY
8 th	Tuesday	SAL Meeting	6:30pm
9 th	Wednesday	MCL Parade Committee Meeting	12pm
9 th	Wednesday	Legion Rider Meeting	6:30pm
10 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'em	5:30pm
11 th	Friday	Aux. Burger Night	5-7pm
12 th	Saturday	BHS Community Band	9am
12 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/Aux. Food	5-7pm
12 th	Saturday	Dart Meat Shoot	6pm
13 th	Sunday	MOTHER'S DAY	ALL DAY
14 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6pm
14 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
15 th	Tuesday	Fleet Reserve Meeting	11am
15 th	Tuesday	Post & Aux. General Meeting w/Elections	6:30pm
16 th	Wednesday	MCL Parade Committee Meeting	12pm
17 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
18 th	Friday	Good Vibrations	7pm
19 th	Saturday	BHS Community Band	9am
19 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/MCL Food	5-7pm
19 th	Saturday	Junior Meeting	5pm
19 th	Saturday	Dart Meat Shoot	6pm
19 th	Saturday	Karaoke w/Jon Ho	7:30pm
20 th	Sunday	Riders Breakfast	9-11am
20 th	Sunday	Executive Council Meeting	11am
21 st	Monday	Crib Tournament	6pm
21 st	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
23 rd	Wednesday	MCL Parade Committee Meeting	12pm
23 rd	Wednesday	Activities Meeting	6:30pm
24 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
26 th	Saturday	Memorial Day Parade	12pm
27 th	Sunday	ROMP Meeting	12pm
28 th	Monday	MEMORIAL DAY	ALL DAY
30 th	Wednesday	MCL Parade Committee Meeting	12pm
30 th	Wednesday	ROMP local registration @ 8am w/karaoke with Jon Ho @ 7pm	
31 st	Thursday	ROMP registration @ 1-4pm w/Everleaf Band @ 7pm	
31 st	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm

JUNE 2018

1 st	Friday	ROMP @ 8am w/Sunset Superman @ 7:30pm	
2 nd	Saturday	ROMP @ 8am w/Still Kick'In @ 8pm	
3 rd	Sunday	ROMP	8am
4 th	Monday	Legion Baseball Spaghetti Dinner	5pm
5 th	Tuesday	Building Improvement Meeting	6pm
5 th	Tuesday	Post E-board Meeting	6:30pm
6 th	Wednesday	MCL Parade Committee Meeting	12pm
6 th	Wednesday	MCL Meeting	6:30pm
7 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
9 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/food	5-7pm
9 th	Saturday	Dart Meat Shoot	6pm
10 th	Sunday	Riders Officer Meeting	2pm
11 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6pm
11 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
12 th	Tuesday	Early Bird	ALL DAY
13 th	Wednesday	MCL Parade Committee Meeting	12pm
13 th	Wednesday	Legion Rider Meeting	6:30pm
14 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
15 th	Friday	Good Vibrations	7pm
16 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/MCL Food	5-7pm
16 th	Saturday	Dart Meat Shoot	6pm
16 th	Saturday	Karaoke w/Jon Ho	7:30pm
17 th	Sunday	Riders Breakfast	9-11am
18 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6pm
18 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
19 th	Tuesday	Fleet Reserve Meeting	11am
19 th	Tuesday	Post General Meeting	6:30pm
20 th	Wednesday	MCL Parade Committee Meeting	12pm
21 st	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
22 nd	Friday	Legion Ribs	5-7pm
23 rd	Saturday	Joker Poker w/Legion Food	5-7pm
23 rd	Saturday	Dart Meat Shoot	6pm
25 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6pm
25 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
27 th	Wednesday	MCL Parade Committee Meeting	12pm
27 th	Wednesday	Activities Meeting	6:30pm
28 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
29 th	Friday	Dance w/Legion Food	5pm
30 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/MCL Food	5-7pm
30 th	Saturday	Dart Meat Shoot	6pm

2017-2018 POST OFFICERS

Commander: Rick Sucee
1st Vice: Al Jensen
2nd Vice: Vacant
Sgt. At Arms: George Shufelt
Service Officer: Vacant
Finance Officer: Dave Trott
Chaplain: Ben Barker
Historian: Dan Burns
1st Color Bearer: Steve Hanson
2nd Color Bearer: Lyle Leavitt
Adjutant: John Erickson
Trustees: Larry Sperry
Ron Clapp
Steve Hansen

2017-2018 AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President: Carolyn Mendenhall
1st Vice: Paula Rameau
2nd Vice: Jeannie Gates
Secretary: Shelly Lagerwey
Treasurer: Jeri Wentland
Chaplain: Karen Grimes
Historian: Sylvia Jensen
Sgt. At Arms: Peggy Erickson
Trustees: Hope Hanson
Carolyn Clapp
Sylvia Jensen
Membership: Shelly Lagerwey
Poppy Chair: Jeannie Gates

2017-2018 SAL OFFICERS

Commander: Marty Richey
1st Vice: John Lowmon
2nd Vice: Eric Ogren
Chaplain: George Shufelt
Sgt. At Arms: Robert Boyles
Finance Officer: Bobby Hoffer
Historian: Dan Burns
Adjutant: Steve Hanson
Membership: Marty Richey
Advisers: Steve Hanson (Chair)
Perry Mendenhall
Craig Convery
Ron Clapp

2017-2018 LEGION RIDRS OFFICERS

Director: Erika Moran
Ass. Director: Roy Wilson
Secretary: Shelly Lagerwey
Treasurer: Jeff VanderPol
Chaplain: Chris Moran
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Historian: Kim Cramer
Road Captain: George Shufelt
Webmaster: Lisa Boyles
Quartermaster: Robert Boyles
Membership: Marty Richey
Advisers: Herb Porter (Chair)
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CAPS & HATS



“CLUB 7 NEWS”

LOUNGE HOURS:

Mon – Sat 12 noon – close

Sun 2 pm – close

- If less than 5 people
drinking the lounge will
close at 8:00p.m.

POPCORN DONATIONS
ARE WELCOME!

Club 7 Specials will be on
reader board

EARLY BIRD DAY

2nd Tuesday of the month

1st drink “TWO BITS”