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Commander's Comments by Rick Sucee

I am very pleased to be your Commander again, taking over from Perry Mendenhall on August 1, 2017. I thank all of you who encouraged me to run for Commander and those of you that supported me in my election. As you recall I was the Commander here prior to Perry Mendenhall for 3, years. I also want to thank Perry for his dedicated service to our Post for the past 2, years. Perry will continue to serve on the Executive Board as the Past Commander. He has also taken on greater responsibilities as Vice-Commander of the 2nd District. The next time you see Perry, thank him for his service to our Post and wish him well in his new District 2 position, as I do. In this newsletter, I would like to touch on three subjects; appointments, membership and volunteers.

Appointments—As of August 1st I have made numerous appointments to the various committees that help guide our post. Those appointments can be found on the Post Bulletin Board. Two significant appointments are the reappointment of Dave Trott as Adjutant and the appointment of John Erickson as Deputy Adjutant. The appointment of John, with his exceptional knowledge of how this post functions, will greatly help Dave in the day to day operation of our post. If you have a committee that you would like to take part in please contact me—we can always use more help.

Membership—It's time to renew your membership for 2018. The best way to do that is renew online or if you don't have access to a computer come to the office Monday through Friday between 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM. We certainly need many new members too, as we have been given a higher membership goal than last year. So, encourage every veteran you meet to consider membership in our Post. Have them contact me or one of our Adjutants.

Volunteers—Our Post operates on volunteers. If you have a special skill (carpentry, electrical, plumbing, computers, writing, etc.) that you can help the post with or you like to cook, clean, or mow the lawn, please contact our Adjutants.

I hope you all had a wonderful, enjoyable, fun, summer. Thank you.

Rick Sucee
Commander Post 7



2017-2018 Post Officers

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

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: Chelsea Richey
Sgt. At Arms: Peggy Erickson
Trustees: Hope Hanson
Carolyn Clap
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: Lee Gustafson
Sgt. At Arms: Robert Boyles
Finance Officer: Bobby Hoffer
Historian: Dan Burns
Adjutant: Steve Hanson
Membership: Marty Richey
Advisors: Steve Hanson
Perry Mendenhall
Dave Noble

2017-2018 Legion Rider Officers

Director: Erika Moran
Ass. Director: Roy Wilson
Secretary: Shelly Lagerwey
Treasurer: Jeff VanderPol
Chaplain: Chris Moran
Sgt. At Arms: Robert Boyles
Historian: Kim Cramer
Road Captain: George Shufelt
Webmaster: Lisa Boyles
Quartermaster: Robert Boyles
Membership: Marty Richey

SEPTEMBER 2017

➤ 1 st	Friday	Private Party	6-10pm
➤ 2 nd	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9am
➤ 2 nd	Saturday	Joker Poker w/SAL food	5-7pm
➤ 2 nd	Saturday	Darts	6pm
➤ 3 rd	Sunday	Private Party	1-4pm
➤ 4 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
➤ 4 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:30pm
➤ 5 th	Tuesday	Activities Meeting	5:30pm
➤ 5 th	Tuesday	Building Improvement	5:30pm
➤ 5 th	Tuesday	Post & Aux E-board Meetings	6:30pm
➤ 6 th	Wednesday	Happy Hour	ALL DAY
➤ 6 th	Wednesday	Marine Corps League Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 7 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
➤ 8 th	Friday	Auxiliary Burger Night	5-7pm
➤ 9 th	Saturday	911 Run	1pm-12am(9/10)
➤ 11 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
➤ 11 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:30pm
➤ 12 th	Tuesday	Early Bird	ALL DAY
➤ 12 th	Tuesday	SAL Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 13 th	Wednesday	Happy Hour	ALL DAY
➤ 13 th	Wednesday	Legion Rider Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 14 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
➤ 16 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9am
➤ 16 th	Saturday	Marine Corps League Picnic	2-6pm
➤ 16 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/food	5-7pm
➤ 16 th	Saturday	Darts	6pm
➤ 16 th	Saturday	Karaoke w/Jon Ho	7:30pm
➤ 17 th	Sunday	Salmon BBQ	3-5pm
➤ 18 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
➤ 18 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:30pm
➤ 19 th	Tuesday	Fleet Reserve Meeting	11am
➤ 19 th	Tuesday	Post & Aux General Meetings	6:30pm
➤ 20 th	Wednesday	Happy Hour	ALL DAY
➤ 21 st	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
➤ 23 rd	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9am
➤ 23 rd	Saturday	Joker Poker w/food	5-7pm
➤ 23 rd	Saturday	Darts	6pm
➤ 25 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:30pm
➤ 25 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
➤ 27 th	Wednesday	Happy Hour	ALL DAY
➤ 28 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
➤ 30 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9am
➤ 30 th	Saturday	Joker Poker	5-7pm
➤ 30 th	Saturday	Darts	6pm

OCTOBER 2017

➤ 2 nd	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
➤ 2 nd	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:30pm
➤ 3 rd	Tuesday	Building Improvement Meeting	5:30pm
➤ 3 rd	Tuesday	Post & Aux E-board Meetings	6:30pm
➤ 3 rd	Tuesday	Activities Meeting	5:30pm
➤ 4 th	Wednesday	Happy Hour	ALL DAY
➤ 4 th	Wednesday	Marine Corps League Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 5 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	7pm
➤ 6 th	Friday	SAL Taco Night	5-7pm
➤ 7 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9am
➤ 7 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/SAL Food	5-7pm
➤ 7 th	Saturday	Darts	6pm
➤ 8 th	Sunday	Riders Breakfast	9am-12pm
➤ 9 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:30pm
➤ 9 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
➤ 10 th	Tuesday	Early Bird	ALL DAY
➤ 10 th	Tuesday	SAL Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 11 th	Wednesday	Happy Hour	ALL DAY
➤ 11 th	Wednesday	Legion Riders Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 12 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
➤ 13 th	Friday	Auxiliary Octoberfest	5-7pm
➤ 14 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9am
➤ 14 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/Aux Food	5-7pm
➤ 14 th	Saturday	Darts	6pm
➤ 16 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:30pm
➤ 16 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
➤ 17 th	Tuesday	Post & Aux General Meetings	6:30pm
➤ 18 th	Wednesday	Happy Hour	ALL DAY
➤ 19 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
➤ 21 st	Saturday	Rick Larson	11:30am
➤ 21 st	Saturday	Joker Poker	5-7pm
➤ 21 st	Saturday	Darts	6pm
➤ 21 st	Saturday	Karaoke	7:30pm
➤ 23 rd	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
➤ 23 rd	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:30pm
➤ 25 th	Wednesday	Happy Hour	ALL DAY
➤ 26 th	Thursday	Texas Hold'Em	5:30pm
➤ 28 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9am
➤ 28 th	Saturday	Joker Poker	5-7pm
➤ 28 th	Saturday	Darts	6pm
➤ 30 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
➤ 30 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:30pm

Message from the President of Auxiliary

Summer is over and time for Auxiliary to start an exciting new year as we support our Veterans, their families, and our community. Auxiliary meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. Our first meeting this fall will be on September 5th at 6:30 pm. We will have installation of officers followed by a short executive board meeting. The first general meeting will be on September 19th. We will have a guest speaker from NAMI, National Alliance for Mental Illness. Discussions at this meeting will include our fall charitable Contributions such as Veterans Homes and Christmas Families.

AS some of you already know, dues went up at State and are going up at National next year so we needed to raise our dues to cover that. They will be \$40.00 dollars this year. Shelly Lagerwey is still Membership Chair so you can pay her, on line, or at the bar. Remember, if you pay before November you get an early Bird Stamp.

Our first Burger Night will be September 8th. Come on out for our great burgers, potato salad, chili, and all the fixings. **Octoberfest replaces Burger Night on October 13th for one month.** Octoberfest is a truly great German meal with a free beer and dessert. After that, we will continue with Burger Night on the 2nd Friday of every month.

For God & Country
Carolyn Mendenhall
Unit 7 Auxiliary President

SAL Commander Report

First off, I do hope Everyone is having a great summer and enjoying this Beautiful sunny weather. I hope to see everyone back in September ready to start off a new year and I welcome any new ideas or Events that you may have. Also, the Sal has planned a Boat trip to Friday Harbor on September 30th from 9am to 5pm. There is a signup sheet in the Bar for those who would love to go have fun and also visit the Friday Harbor post while we are there. Tickets will be out soon. Please be safe and watch the road for those who like to ride Motorcycles in the nice weather. I would also like to take this time to say Thank you to All of you who makes our Sons of the American Legion the Best it is. We will also be doing installation of the new officers in September. I hope to see everyone there for this.

Marty Richey
SAL Commander



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"CLUB 7 NEWS" LOUNGE HOURS:

<u>Mon-Sat</u>	12 noon-
close	
<u>Sun</u>	2pm-close

If less than 5 people Drinking
the lounge will Close at 8pm.

POPCORN DONATIONS
ARE WELCOME!

Club 7 specials will be on
reader Board

HAPPY HOUR
MON-FRI 3-6pm

EARLY BIRD DAY
2nd Tuesday of the month
1st drink "TWO BITS"