

AMERICAN LEGION POST 496

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April 2025 - Newsletter

LEGION OFFICERS

COMMANDER: RON GRAMS
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HONOR GUARD CC: PAUL RUSK
SGT. AT ARMS: HANK MATTERN
HISTORIAN: BRIAN MADDEN
CHAPLAIN: PAUL SELLMAN



- BOARD MEETING-2ND MONDAY OF
MONTH @ 6PM
LEGIONNAIRE'S MEETING -2ND
MONDAY OF MONTH @ 7PM

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

THIS MONTH THE OHIO STATE AMERICAN LEGION STARTED A STATEWIDE 50/50 RAFFLE. THE RAFFLE IS OPEN TO ANY OHIO PARTICIPANT WHO IS 18 YEARS AND OLDER. AMERICAN LEGION EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO ENTER. THIS IS A MONTHLY DRAWING. TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS, GO ON-LINE AT OHIOLEGION.COM/GAMING. BE SURE TO DESIGNATE POST 496, AS WE WILL RECEIVE 20% OF EVERY TICKET SOLD. THERE IS A MINIMAL CREDIT CARD SURCHARGE.

OUR RED, WHITE AND BLUAAU IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER, THIS COMING SATURDAY, APRIL 5TH!! COME AND JOIN THE FUN. TICKETS ARE ON SALE AT THE POST.

DUE TO BAD PLANNING, ON YOURS TRULY, THE \$25 CASH RAFFLE TICKET DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 8TH AT 1 PM. WE STILL HAVE TICKETS ON SALE AT THE POST.

OUR FRIDAY FISH FRY'S CONTINUE TO BE SUCCESSFUL, THANKS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HAVE STEPPED UP TO THE PLATE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE ASK KIM HOW YOU CAN HELP. THE MORE HANDS THE BETTER.

AND SPEAKING OF VOLUNTEERS, PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MAY 3RD. WE ARE HAVING OUR SPRING CLEAN UP FROM 8 TO 12 IN THE MORNING. OUTSIDE AND INSIDE INCLUDES BAR SIDE WINDOWS, FLOORS, YARD TRIMMING, TRASH PICKUP, DUSTING, ETC. BRING YOUR WORK GLOVES, TRIMMERS, ETC. AGAIN, MANY HANDS MAKE LESS WORK. THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO, FOR YOUR POST.

NOMINATIONS FOR POST OFFICERS CONTINUE. OUR NEXT MEETING IS APRIL 14TH

SEE YOU AT THE POST - RON GRAMS

CANTEEN NEWS

Hello members!! 3..2..1..and poof it's April!! The new canteen roster is posted, remember, if you are not sporting a 2025 membership card, you are not on it, please ask the bartender when you come in to check your new number for drawings, if your not there and you have paid, leave me a note with your name and member id# and phone number in the suggestion box. Thank you,

Our annual fund raiser is Saturday April 5th at 5p, if you haven't gotten your ticket please do so. This is a fun way to support your Post. Lots of fun games and some pretty good food too! It's a RED, WHITE, AND B'LUAAU!! Let's celebrate!!

Lenten Fish Fry's are WOWZA! We had a whooping 406 dinners served on March 21st. So, that means we could really use your help in making this a success. and it counts toward the Canteen (social) membership volunteer hours.

It was decided that the cash raffle slated to draw winners on April 6th has been pushed to June 8th. This way we can space our fund raiser's out a little better. There are still tickets left to get in on that drawing.

We will be having a Post clean up day on May 3rd from 8am to noon. (another way to earn volunteer hours). We will need windows cleaned outside and in. trash pick up around the building, field, and parking lot, weeding, mowing, all the things that make our post look wonderful in the Spring and Summer.

If you know of anyone that is interested in being a part of the Memorial Day parade, have them get ahold of us so we can get them a registration paper. We are also calling for food donations for the lunch served on Memorial day, the legion will provide the burgers and dogs, if everyone brought in a side dish that would be wonderful. Thanks!

Have a wonderful April and see you at the B'luau!!

Kim

LEGION RIDERS

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RIDING SEASON IS PEAKING IN. CANNOT WAIT! HOWEVER, BE SURE YOU PREP YOUR BIKES AND DO AFTER WINTER MAINTENANCE TO STAY SAFE!
REMEMBER TO RETRIEVE OUR TAGS WHEN POSSIBLE.
OUR NEXT BREAKFAST AND RIDERS MEETING IS SUNDAY 13 APRIL FROM 0900-1100. PLEASE ARRIVE BY 0800 FOR PREP, THANK YOU!
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO FOR OUR VETERANS!

!STAY SAFE AND VIGILANT - RON

LEGION RIDER OFFICERS

DIRECTOR: RON NORTON
ASSISTANT RIDER DIRECTOR: KIM KILBOURNE
SECRETARY: KELLY KEENER
TREASURER : BRENDA SMITH
CHAPLAIN: RON TIMMS

50/50

**THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE 'WORM'
EACH MONTH AN EARLY BIRD DRAWING
FOR \$500 WILL BE AVAILABLE IF TICKETS
ARE BOUGHT BEFORE 5PM ON THE
SECOND FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH.
OHLEGION.COM/GAMING**

LEGION AUXILIARY OFFICERS

PRESIDENT: LOU ANNE FISHER
1ST VICE: LA DONNA THOMAS
2ND VICE: KAROL SPANO
SECRETARY: DIANA MULLINS
TREASURE: TAMMY POTTENGER
SGT. AT ARMS: C. RENEE THOMPSON
CHAPLAIN: JUDY MORGAN
HISTORIAN: VICKI MOORE

* AUXILIARY MEETINGS HELD 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH @ 6PM

S.A.L OFFICERS

COMMANDER: ED LUPTON
1ST VICE : LARRY KLINE
2ND VICE: FRED MOREHEAD
ADJUTANT: ED LUPTON
ADVISOR: ED LUPTON
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: HANK MATTERN

S.A.L MEETINGS 1ST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 7:00 PM

KITCHEN HELP APRIL 25

SAL DUES,
WE HAVE SEVERAL MEMBERS THAT HAVE NOT PAID 2025 DUES YET,
CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD AND MAKE SURE YOU ARE UP TO DATE
ON YOUR DUES.THE NEW ROSTER IS OUT AND YOU ARE NOT ON IT IF YOU
HAVE NOT PAID YOU 2025 DUES. THAT MEANS YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO
PARTICIPATE IN MEMBERS DRAWINGS. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS
ABOUT YOUR MEMBERSHIP CONTACT 1ST VICE : LARRY KLINE OR COME
TO ANY SAL MEETING. THE SAL IS SELLING RAFFLE TICKETS FOR A 1911 45
ACP OR \$500 CASH FOR \$5. EA. STOP IN AND GRAB A FEW FROM YOUR
BARTENDER OR YOU CAN SEE LARRY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

AUXILIARY NEWS

Hi Ladies,

Well it's that time of year again. Yep you guessed it's: ELECTION TIME! It's time for NEW OFFICERS! We need you all to step up and be part of your Club. Time for a change ladies and you could be part of the action. It's a rewarding way to help others and make new friendships.

So that being said it is time for a New Board. New ideas, new fun, new relationships and new members! There will be a sign up sheet posted. Give us your name, phone number, and the position you would like to be on the ballot June 12th. Your current board will be available to help you with any questions you might have at this time.

The election will be JUNE 12TH at 6:00 followed by the installation. We are counting on you!!

Our next meeting is APRIL 10TH at 6:00 pm.

Our next FISH FRY is APRIL 18TH- ALL HANDS ON DECK! The dinners served are off the charts and we need your help!

The kids EASTER PARTY is the 19th. 1:00 – 3:00 Please be sure to sign up so that we know how many will be attending.

So keep your pens handy and be sure to sign up for activities and your part in the Election!

Thank you ladies for all the donations for the Celebration of Life this past Saturday. You are all wonderful and great cooks! Thanks again from the bottom of our hearts!

LuLu



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