

AMERICAN LEGION NEWSLETTER



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JULY / AUGUST 2017

Greetings from the Post,
Elections are over and the Installation of Officers was held on 13 June. The following is the list of your 2017-2018 Post Officers:

Commander	-Michelle Aaron	Sgt-at-Arms	-Mark Aaron
Sr. Vice	-Bob Zimbelman	Service Officer	-Dave Scott
Raffle Chairman	-Tom McCormick	Chaplain	-Floyd Henderson
Adjutant	-Tim Szerletich	Raffle Trustee	-Tony Pendley
Finance Officer	-Tom McCormick	Bar Trustee	-Bob Zimbelman
Judge Advocate	-Ron Florey	Historian	-Vacant (Inquiries welcome)

You'll notice a lot of the names are the same. This is **not healthy** for the post. During this upcoming year, please consider getting involved in a leadership role. These are not fulltime jobs and we will be happy to mentor anyone willing to serve, so please don't hesitate. Simply put – we NEED you!

2018 Membership Dues: The Department of Illinois books are closed and you will be receiving your 2018 annual dues notice from National. They ask that you pay annually in July to prevent delinquency. This is very important as our total went down by **87 Legionnaires** this last year.

So, please – let's get those dues in right away and get ready to enjoy our Early Bird Dinner! Here are your options:

- 5 Years: Illinois is one of the few Departments that offer a 5-year membership card!
- Life Membership: Paid Up For Life (PUFL) information can be found at: **Legion.org/PUFL**
- Pay Online at: **members.legion.org**
- Or – simply return your annual dues notice with your payment through the US mail or use the drop-box at the post on your next stop

Key Card Changeover: Key card reader will change on Labor Day (04 Sep)

Early Bird Dinner 19 September (3rd Tuesday)

This is an exciting year for The American Legion because we will be celebrating our 100th Anniversary! There will be Centennial Celebrations all throughout the 55 Departments during the year. So keep your eyes open...

For God and Country,
Michelle M. Aaron
Commander, Limestone Post #979

FROM THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY

Linda and Karen are doing the Wednesday night bake sale. Thank you ladies for stepping up. They can use baked goods.

Lunches -

July 15th: Sloppy Joes & Chips
August 19th: Wings, Strips & Fries

New officers for the coming year:

President: Ricky Stahl (she is also the new 16th District President),
Vice President: Linda Harkness, Membership: Donna Cole,
Secretary/Treasurer: Karen Dunn, Historian: Kay Ingram,
& Chaplain: Gail Schindler. After August 1st ladies take office.
If you need to contact the President Ricky Stahl (309-385-4823)
or Chaplain Gail Schindler (697-0406) to notify of a death or a hospitalized member.

Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in the hall.

Dues are now due \$35/yr. Key cards will be changing Labor Day weekend. Your white card will not work after that date.

DD214's are still needed for several members. Ladies please get them turned in to office.

Janice Gruber
Auxiliary President, Post 979

FROM A. L. Post 979 RIDERS

Fellow Riders,

Well we are into the summer weather for sure and events are starting to pop up all over. Our biggest supporting event is the **Bikers for Ta-Ta's Ride**, starting at the Post on July 15th. We will be providing the breakfast for the riders and raising money for our Legacy Fund. We will take any help we can get to work that morning. That day is also the State Convention when we will be delivering our check to the state once again providing a very large donation on our behalf. Thanks to all that help generating these funds for such a great cause.

We will be drawing for our Gun Raffle winners on July 12th, so there is still time to get a ticket and take a chance on some nice firearms.

We welcomed our new Rider Board members at the Post Officer Installation, welcome Mark "Postal" Aaron as our new Secretary, and Mike "Fuzzy" Trower as the new Sgt. at Arms / Ride Captain.

Our next meetings will be July 13th and August 10th on the Hall side @ 6:00 PM, please come join us.

Adam "Ace" Smith
Director, Post 979 ALR

APRIL & MAY CACHE WINNERS

\$100 GENE DIXON
DON WOLLAND

\$ 75 CHAR DeVORE
ANN KIZER

\$ 50 KATHY SOUTHEY
MARLENE ROACH

\$ 25 STEVE ARNOLD
SHERMAN RISIUS

Sympathy Wishes to the Families of:

SHARON PHILLIPS BROWN DONALD MAHER BEVERLY HARMS BILL IRVING
HENRY CASSENS WALLACE GARMAN DONALD VAN SCOYER JERRY NAU, SR

MIKE DAY (Father passed) LINDA TERLESKY (Father passed)
KAREN CROSS (Brother passed) STEVE MELTON (Sister passed)
WESLEY CLANTON (Mother passed) DONNA PIERCE (Mother Passed)
ROBERT RUTLEDGE (Son Passed) KARLEEN HEINZ (Son Passed)

FROM THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

FUNERALS

When one of our Post 979 veterans passes away, there are several matters that have to be discussed with the mortuary. First, they must have a copy of your DD-214. You will not get a Military Funeral without this document. The funeral home then must contact Post 979 and let us know you want a Military Funeral. The military supplies the flag folding and Taps. Post 979 supplies the Honor Guard, 21 Gun Salute, and the wishes for a funeral lunch. All this is requested by the funeral home to the post.

Robert Zimbelman
Senior Vice Commander, Post 979

A.L. POST 979

JULY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 FISH, FRIES & ONION RINGS
2	3 EXECUTIVE BOARD MTG 6:30 PM	4 TENDERLOINS & FRIES SAL MTG 6:30	5 50/50 JACKPOT RAFFLE Food 5-7	6 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	7 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	8 PULLED PORK, COLESLAW & POTATO SALAD
9	10	11 PIZZA MEMBERSHIP & AUXILIARY MEETING 7 pm	12 50/50 JACKPOT RAFFLE Food 5-7	13 FOOD 5 - 8 A L RIDERS MTG 6 PM	14 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	15 Bikers for Ta-Ta's SLOPPY JOES & CHIPS
16	17	18 SPAGHETTI & GARLIC BREAD	19 50/50 JACKPOT RAFFLE Food 5-7	20 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	21 <i>FOOD 5 - 8 PM</i> MUSIC @ BAR BILLY WASHBURN 7:00 - 11:00 PM	22 WINGS, STRIPS & FRIES
23	24	25 HAMBURGERS, BAKED BEANS, & CHIPS	26 50/50 JACKPOT RAFFLE Food 5-7	27 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	28 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	29 BEEF STEW
30	31 EXECUTIVE BOARD MTG 6:30 PM	AUGUST 2017				

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 ITALIAN BEEF, POTATO SALAD, & COLESLAW SAL MTG 6:30	2	3 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	4 <i>FOOD 5 - 8 PM</i> KAROKÉ 7:00 - 11:00 PM	5 FISH, FRIES & ONION RINGS
6	7	8 PIZZA MEMBERSHIP & AUXILIARY MEETING 7 pm	9 50/50 JACKPOT RAFFLE Food 5-7	10 FOOD 5 - 8 A L RIDERS MTG 6 PM	11 <i>FOOD 5 - 8 PM</i> MUSIC @ BAR AL & DIANE 7:00 - 11:00 PM	12 COUNTRY FRIED STEAK, MASHED POTATOES & VEGETABLES
13	14	15 GOULASH & GARLIC BREAD	16 50/50 JACKPOT RAFFLE Food 5-7	17 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	18 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	19 WINGS, STRIPS & FRIES
20	21	22 HAMBURGERS, BAKED BEANS, & CHIPS	23 50/50 JACKPOT RAFFLE Food 5-7	24 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	25 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM	26 RIB TIPS, FRIES & VEGETABLES
27	28	29 TENDERLOINS & FRIES	30 50/50 JACKPOT RAFFLE Food 5-7	31 FOOD/ R & R 5 - 8 PM		

POST 979 50/50 JACKPOT RAFFLE

This event will be held each Wednesday
With food served from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

The DRAWING will be held at 7:00 pm each Wednesday night.

Tickets can be purchased daily at the bar
2 tickets for \$1 or 20 tickets for \$10

Proceeds go to Legion & Community Programs

If present when your name is drawn
guaranteed to win minimum of \$200

The American Legion **50/50 Drawing** held every Wednesday at the Post helps support many Legion and Community Projects like these and more.

AMERICAN LEGION

Legion Baseball	Gifts to the Yanks
Quincy VA Home	Special Olympics
Danville VA Home	Legion Special Projects
Manteno VA Home	Boys State

COMMUNITY

Limestone Sports	Grade School Sports
Special Programs	Community Requests
Limestone Band	Little League Baseball
JFL Football	Relay for Life
Food Pantries	Christmas Baskets