

# AMERICAN LEGION

## NEWSLETTER

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### DECEMBER

#### **Greetings Legionnaires, Ladies Auxiliary, SAL & Legion R**

Happy Holiday season! I hope you are on Santa's nice list, but I have hung out with a few of you, so I KNOW that I am not the only one getting coal this Christmas! We will be having our annual holiday party on Tuesday December 10<sup>TH</sup> after the membership meeting. It will be a potluck. Prizes to win for the UGLIEST SWEATER! Please make an extra effort to come to the January meeting as the Board has decided to make it a Joint meeting with everyone. If you can bring a new idea for us to keep our doors open; we are here to listen and work toward the same goal. Wednesday night's raffle is still going on!

Michael Brooks from the Peoria VAC office will be coming to talk and let us know what programs are out there. Sunday is the happening day at the post Xtreme Bingo has been successful events on Sundays from 2-4. If you want to volunteer to call or help with 50/50 during bingo; please let me know. Bags start at 1pm. Please come out and enjoy and win some cool prizes and laughs and jokes. Happy Holidays!

My contact information is listed below. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any issues or concerns! Can't wait to see what this 2025 brings us!

Sincerely,

**Hind Salah-Elgin - Commander** Email address: bhelgin1109@gmail.com

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ONE TEAM; ONE FIGHT!

December membership meeting on the 10th we will have Michael Brooks from the Veterans Assistance Commission coming to talk about PACT Act and filing VA disability claims. **January membership meeting (1-7-2025 at 7pm) will be a joint meeting for all organizations within the post to come and have input on important decisions that are being made about the post.** We are at 76.6% of membership for the year if you haven't paid your dues there is still time.

**Riley Casey - Adjutant, Post 979**

#### **LOUNGE 979 NEWS**

Hi Everyone! Well the hustle and bustle of the holidays has arrived. We have so much going on for you this month. Christmas parties, Tom & Jerry party, (There will be a volunteer sign up sheet at the bar for you if you'd like to help with this) New Years party with Billy Washburn and dinner catered by The Barracks will be on the last Friday of the month. (Please sign up and pre-pay for that at the bar.) It was delicious and such a fun time last year. We decided to do that on the last Friday VS New Years Eve due to it falling on a Tuesday and with the hope that a Friday would work better for everyone and also to give out bartenders a chance to celebrate with their friends and families as well. Bingo is up and running and everyone seems to be enjoying it. If you haven't checked it out yet please come and join us. It is free to play. There will be a combined meeting in January. I am personally asking all members to come to this. We are facing tough decisions and could really use your input. Typically we have a handful (if that) of members show up to the monthly membership meeting. We really need you to show up for this one in January. Well guys that's all I have for now. I am really looking forward to having a busy and fun month with y'all. **Sarah Johnson - Bar Manager, Limestone Post 979**

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## Women's Auxiliary

Ladies need to pay your dues. \$50/yr or \$150.00 5 years.

Blankets are being done for Vets and children at Carle Health.

December lunch is December 14th. Lunch will be goulash. \$8.00 for lunch. You are limited to 2 x after that you will need to pay for additional lunches. It is not all you can eat.

Xtreme Bar Bingo is going pretty well.

Member's only kids Christmas party is December 7th at 1 pm in the hall. A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board in the bar. Kids 10 and under only.

Please bring a wrapped gift for the child. Nothing expensive. Santa will hand out presents.

Please let me know of any deceased or ill auxiliary members.

**Janice Gruber**

**President, Auxiliary Post 979**

## Post 979 A.L. Riders

It's hard to believe that we are only weeks away from the end of 2024. As the weather starts to get colder, the riding opportunities get fewer and before we know it we will be waiting for spring to be upon us. We have many things to be thankful for, our health, happiness, freedom and friends. I'd like to thank everybody who has helped make this year another success for our group, and I look forward to another year of fun in our future. As the bikes get put away for a while, we still continue to keep busy. Please come join us for our next meeting on Thursday, Dec 12th at 6pm and see what we have going on.

**Adam "Ace" Smith**

**Director, Post 979 ALR**

**H** Sundays 11am - 9pm  
**O** Mon Tues Wed Thurs 11am-9pm  
**U** Fridays 11am - 11pm  
**R** Saturday 11am - 9pm  
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Last call is always 15 minutes prior to closing. Drink chips will not be accepted after closing. Closing time is set for a reason, and it is important to respect. The bartender who is just trying to do what is expected of them.

*Thank you for your understanding!*

### DECEMBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Bingo 1 2-4pm Dining room Cornhole start 1pm	2 <b>Executive Board Meeting 7pm</b>	3 Lunch 11:30-1pm Italian beef sandwich and fries <b>SAL meeting 7pm</b>	4 Jackpot raffle Food 5-7pm By Legion riders	5	6 Kitchen closed Open Jukebox	7 Lunch 11:30-1pm Fish, Fries and onion rings Kids christmas party 1-3
8 Bingo 2-4pm Dining room Cornhole start 1pm	9	10 Lunch 11:30pm Roasted Pork Loin sweet potatoes & vegetable <b>Membership/AUX Meeting 7PM</b> <b>Craft day 1pm</b> <b>Christmas party potluck</b>	11 Jackpot raffle Food 5-7pm By Legion riders	12 <b>AL riders Meeting 6pm</b>	13 Kitchen open 6-8 Charlie Horse	14 Lunch by AUX 11:30-1pm
15 Bingo. 2-4pm Dining room Cornhole start 1pm	16	17 Lunch 11:30-1pm Spaghetti & meatball, salad, breadsticks Craft day 1pm <b>Membership/AUX Meeting 7PM</b>	18 Jackpot raffle Food 5-7pm By Legion riders	19	20 Kitchen open Open Jukebox	21 No lunch
22 Bingo 2-4pm Dining room Cornhole start 1pm	23	24 Tom and Jerry Party 11-4pm Potluck please bring a dish to share  <b>Legion closed at 4pm</b>	25 Merry Christmas  <b>Legion closed</b>	26	27 Kitchen closed NYE Dinner catered by Berricks must sign up and pay ahead Billy washburn	28 No lunch
29 Bingo 2-4pm Dining room Cornhole start 1pm	30	31 No lunch <b>Legion closed at 4pm</b>				