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**NEW ULM, MINNESOTA** 

# COMMANDER'S CORNER

Brian Krosch Commander

Hello Legion Family.

It has been a very challenging year with the virus forcing us to close reopen and close again.

I just want to say first of all Happy New Year! Hopefully 2021 it is a lot better than 2020 but then again anything would be better than 2020. But anyways, you should know the post is closed until the governor says we can reopen again so as of now no bingo or any activities. We are serving meals on Saturday's they are posted in your newsletter. I want to take the time for thanking the volunteers for all the hard work they are doing a great job helping Post 132 so thank you all so much you know who you are. I hope and pray everyone is safe and sound. Tina myself and our son had covid,

not a fun thing to go thru and I know a lot of our members also have had it. I pray you all get well and stay well. here really is not a lot to put in here this time around except that the floor on the bar side is going to be happen soon so there will be a new floor there unsure when the project will start but soon. Also we are going to keep having Executive Board meetings every month unless it's just too unsafe. So just a reminder no Legion meeting or any Legion Family member meetings are taking place just the Executive board for the Legion so have a Happy New Year. I hope you get to be with family and friends. be safe. Hope see you all soon. Take care, be safe and be healthy.

# **CLUBROOM HAPPENINGS** - Denise Palmer

Greetings From The Club!

It is finally February and we are so excited to truly be back for you! This past year has been a battle of up and downs for everyone and we are confident that it should be smooth sailing from here on! We will continue our mission to offer you a safe environment to share camaraderie with your family and friends. Whether it be through spirits or an affordable meal, we invite you to stop in and support your local American Legion Club. The Club will now be back to normal hours both in the bar and in the dining room.

Tuesday is Burgers/Chicken or Fish Sandwiches served from 5-7:30

Thursday Bingo starts at 7pm and the dining room will feature a weekly \$8.00 meal that always comes with dessert! Saturday Dinners will return to their normal rotation with the exception of the Legion Riders' Shrimp and Steak Fry on the 3rd Saturday of the month. We will be doing a variety of meals on that week and this month it will consist of a Classic German Plate, 100087643

Stay safe everyone and stop in and check out the new flooring that was put in on the bar side of The Club. Hope to See you Soon!

## **S.A.L NEWS** S.A.L Squadron #132, Scott Ries, Commander

Greetings New Ulm SAL members! We will have a regular meeting at the Legion Club this coming February 8th at 7 pm. Would love to see you there. Our meetings are almost always less than 35-45 minutes! It has been a few months since our last meeting, per CDC guidelines...so it will be great to get together again! We still have a few members that have not sent in their dues for the current year. Please mail in or drop off at the Legion soon, and thanks!

We are excited to be honoring 5 members that have hit the 30 year continuous membership mark this year: Don Hofmeister, Michael Pearse, Curtis Tauer, Jeff Wesselmann, and Michael Witthus. We will honor them on May 11th, including a meal at Burger Night. A letter will be going out to the 5 to share the details for the late afternoon gathering.

SAL--stands for the Flag and Patriotism!

Newsletter deadline is the 18th of each month. Get information to Vida Bacon by that date for the following month. Bring your article to the club, or e-mail it to vbpig@newulmtel.net

# Membership Services—Roger Hoffmann

I have 511 members which is 96%.

### **LEGION RIDER POST 132** LEGION RIDER MEMORIAL RAFFLE

\$5.00 per ticket and only 700 tickets will be sold. Drawing will be held on May 29, 2021 and end of the ride.

Prizes are as follows:

\$500 2nd-\$250 3rd-\$200 4th-\$150 \$100 5th-6th-\$ 75 7th & 8th-\$50 9th -13th= \$ 25

If you would like to purchase tickets at a cost of \$5.00 each, please fill out, detach and mail to Lynae Flatau as soon as possible.

Please mail to: City/State: Lynae Flatau 1724 Southridge Phone: New Ulm MN 56073 Home Phone: 507-354-3477 Number of tickets: Amount enclosed:

\*\* Make checks out to Legion Riders Post 132

\*\* We will send you the Ticket Stubs as your receipt.

### **Membership number for February**

Find the winning membership number somewhere in the newsletter. If the number matches yours, a pair of Pork Chop dinners can be yours can be yours, if you claim your prize between February 1&20.



# AUXILIARY NOTES - Vida Bacon - Unit #132President

Unit 132 will meet on February 8. In order to conduct business we need to have a quorum present. Our standing rules call for 5% of our membership as of July 31, 2020 to constitute a quorum. That means 9 members in attendance.

Thank You, for your generous donations to our "bake less" bake sale. Every donation helps, no matter how large or small.

### BR. CO. VETERAN'S SERVICE NEWS –

Greg Peterson Brown County Courthouse

507-233-6636

FYI Brown County Veterans. The below message was sent to our State-wide partners. It explains how the vaccine is being distributed here in Brown County and at the VA.

The best answer we can give Brown County Veterans who are enrolled in either Minneapolis or St. Cloud VA Medical Centers is: if you want the vaccine, make an appointment with the VA.

The VA will not be sending vaccine to clinics in Mankato, or St. James due to the risk of spoilage.

We are making every effort to accommodate requests for van rides. We are desperately under staffed for van drivers and if you would be willing to volunteer your time and vehicle to take riders to the VA, please give us a call and we'll put you on call.

New Vets Van Stationed in Mankato. The Minnesota DAV is excited to announce the delivery of a new van for their transportation program. This van, along with the help from our dedicated volunteer drivers, will transport veterans to their VA medical appointments in Mankato and surrounding areas. As the program expands, they are in immediate need of additional volunteers to transport area veterans to their medical appointments in Mankato and surrounding areas. Volunteers do not need to be veterans themselves. To volunteer or learn more, call the Coordinator, Kati, at (507) 703-1139.

There's an App for that. The VA App Store houses a suite of mental health online applications, or Apps, designed in partnership with multiple VA offices. If you encounter Veterans or others who are struggling, consider recommending one the many options available at: https://mobile.va.gov/appstore/mental-health Agent Orange. In case you missed it, the National Defense authorization Act of 2020 was signed December 20th, and added 3 new Agent Orange diseases: Bladder Cancer, Hyperthyroidism, and Parkinsonism. If a Veteran has any of these, please come in to submit an Intent To File now. Bring medical records proving a current or past diagnosis and treatment of these conditions. Widows, if your Veteran died from any of these conditions, come right away to submit your Intent To File. Once signed we will submit the claim for Veterans Compensation or Widows DIC.

Happy 30 year anniversary to our Desert Storm Vets!

Greg & John Brown County Veterans Service 507-233-6636

### 2020--2021 POS7 132 OFFICERS and CHAIRMEN POST OFFICERS

Commander  1st Vice Commander	
2nd Vice Commander	O .
Adjutant	0
Finance Officer	
Chaplain	Bert Marth-Wohlfeil
Executive Board Members	Sam Arsers
	David Hoffmann
	Jon Gohr • John Fritsche

### **POST CHAIRMEN**

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Service Officer	Andrew Achman
Historian	
Sergeant-at-Arms	John Fritsche
Judge Advocate	Terry Dempsey
Assistant Judge Advocate	Charles Hanson
Membership Director	Roger Hoffmann
Americanism Chairman	Bert Marth
Oratorical	Wil Burdorf
Legislative Chairman	Terry Dempsey
National Security Chm	
SAL Chairman	
Public Relations	Carl "Red" Wyczawski
Gambling Manager	Mandy Helget
Comrads of Valor	Jerry Thompson
Color Guard	Lester Wiltscheck
Legion Riders	Tim Nelson
Baseball Chairman	John Fischer
Baseball Team Manager	Kevin Fischer
Club Manager	
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# 2019-2020 AUXILIARY OFFICERS President Vida Bacon

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1st Vice	
2nd Vice	
Treasurer	
Secretary & Historian	Vickie Lowrie
Chaplain	Tina Krosch
Sgtat-Arms	Rosie Kunz
Exec. Committee	

Brown Co. Vet. Serv. Officer ......Greg Peterson

### 2nd DISTRICT OFFICERS

Commander	Brad Pagel
Auxiliary President	Robin Olson
S.A.L. Commander	Russel Lietzke

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