



**CLUBROOM HAPPENINGS** - Brian Gramentz

The May calendar (found on [www.nuamericanlegion.com](http://www.nuamericanlegion.com)) has the regular schedule of activities! Scheduled events include: May 6 we have our world famous Broasted Chicken dinner, who doesn't like Chicken! Thanks to the volunteers that are putting their time and effort into this delicious meal. May 13 is the ever popular Jerry and Rosie's Made Rights, put on by the very talented and dedicated volunteers. This group has been donating the Made Right proceeds to the Post General Fund! Good Job and heartfelt "Thank You" goes out to the Made Right crew members. Keep up the good work! May 27 is the "I can't believe it! These are the best!" Broasted Pork chop meal, also manned by volunteers helping the Bar/Kitchen fund regain financial stability. Sometimes these individuals sell out of the pork chops, and don't get to taste the fruit of their labors. Hats off to them for making such an in-demand meal! I would be remiss if I didn't also thank the Tuesday Burger Night volunteers and the Thursday Cook's Choice meal before Bingo! Great Burgers and I have not heard anyone complain about a Cook's Choice meal!

As you can sense, the volunteers are doing a fantastic job cranking out the food. We have two months of operation under our belt with Sheila Johnson as Club Manager. We have been trying to re-organize the bar, clean, lower the expenses, reduce inventory and try to be more profitable. Although it is a club, it also is a business, and we have to pay the bills!

We have been working on fixing some things in the Clubroom/Bar area these past few months. The Legion Auxiliary has some ideas to help freshen up the dining area, and the Legion Post members are discussing ways to make the bar area more inviting. We are moving slow, and any new ideas will be discussed and approved by each body. More to come on this in the future, stay tuned...

**Membership number for May**

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 May 1&20.

**BASEBALL** — Vern Kitzberger,

Registration has ended, and it looks like we'll have two VFW teams, and, hopefully, two Legion teams. We won't know for sure until try-outs on May 14.

Committee members are in full swing selling ads. Our expenses continue to rise. We're replacing some equipment, and the cost of baseballs, field rent, tournament entry fees, busing, housing, etc. continue to rise. However, we are able to keep player fees the same as they have been for a number of years.

VFW games will begin in late May. Legion will wait until the end of the high school season.

**A Short History of the Memorial Day Program and Avenue of Flags-**

The Memorial Day Committee was formed sometime after World War 1 and prior to World War 2. The current committee consists of members from The American Legion, the VFW, the DAV and the Military Order of the Purple Heart. The Avenue of Flags program was started in the 1970's and has continued to grow. Burial flags are donated by family members and there is a cost for the pole. The full-page article in the New Ulm Journal prior to Memorial Day lists the names of those veterans whose flag has been presented. Anyone who wishes to purchase a pole and donate their veteran's flag may contact Bert Marth, 507-359-2351, for more information.

AVENUE OF FLAGS WILL BE DISPLAYED (weather permitting). Set-up at 1:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 27, 2017, & take-down at 4:00 P.M. Monday, May 29, 2017. Helpers are appreciated at both times. Again this is weather permitting.

BRONZE FLAG STAFFS AND FLAGS will be placed in the Veterans Section of City Cemetery on Thursday, May 25 at 9:00 A.M. We cannot place the bronze staffs in other parts of the cemeteries—they must be placed by family members—but someone will be at the cemetery to assist with flags and staffs as follows:

Saturday, May 27, 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Sunday, May 28 10:00 to Noon

Submitted by Bert Marth

**AUXILIARY NOTES** - Kathy Hempel - Unit #132 President

Our next meeting will be May 8th at 7:00 PM.

**Legion Riders Activity**—Kris Schneeberg

The next meeting of the American Legion Riders will be May 9, 2017 @6:30 PM

**S.A.L NEWS** — S.A.L Squadron #132, Gene Olsword-S.A.L Commander

Spring has sprung, the grass is green, the first flowers are beautiful and the temperatures are warmer. It is time to go out and enjoy what God has made. I hope everyone had a Blessed Easter and praised God for His Risen Son.

It is election time again for all offices in the squadron. All offices are open so please volunteer your services for an office you would like to serve in. If you would want some change in the squadron, this is your time to see it happen. May 8th, 2nd Monday in May, is the date for elections at our regular meeting. Mark your calendars.

Again this year, we are at an All Time High in our membership. Our goal was 127 and are currently at 135. However, there are still some that have not renewed for this current year. We need your renewals to strengthen our vote in Washington D.C. for our Veterans and their Benefits. Please send or drop off your dues at the Legion. They are only \$20.00 for the year.

New members are: John Giefer, Gerald Horner, Jason Kuester, Colin Kuester, Kyle Krenz and Jason Johnson. Cory Gudmonson transferred into our squadron and is our new Adjutant. Please welcome these new SONS when you see them.

On June 23-24, we will be having a Campout/Convention at Legionville, just north of Brainerd, which you are welcome and encouraged to attend. Bring your tents or campers and enjoy a wonderful weekend with us. Dorms are also available at no cost. Here you will learn more about The Sons of The American Legion and its function in The American Legion Family. Mark these dates on your calendars.

May 29th is Memorial Day when we honor all our Fallen Comrades. If you can, participate or attend services on this day. All flags should be at half-mast till noon on this day. Continue to pray for all our servicemen and servicewomen who continue to be in Harm's way for their safe return home.

God Bless our troops and God Bless America.

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