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**COMMANDER'S CORNER** *Jon Gohr Commander*

You have heard there is "strength in numbers". Our membership in the American Legion strengthens the voice for veterans and current active duty armed forces in Washington D.C. and St. Paul, Mn. Is it not important to you to stand beside those who served and are now serving our country? Each membership is needed now and it also directly supports this Post 132 financially. Our dinner for those in the Legion family who are paid current with dues will be on Sunday, October 15th at 1pm. Please take advantage of this and come and enjoy this early bird meal.

October starts a busy time and at the end of the month will be the Department Fall Conference at Willmar Legion. Dates are October 26-28. Registration at event is \$20 or there is pre-registration available after October 1st for \$18. Pre-registration forms will be available at the Legion on the bulletin boards. This is a good way to learn about the programs and efforts of the American Legion in our state.

Our country has a need of coming together to help those in the path of two recent hurricanes. Our American Legion National Emergency Fund is a suggestion for anyone who wants to contribute a cash donation to help. Visit [www.legion.org/NEF](http://www.legion.org/NEF) or another option is Temporary Financial Assistance at [www.legion.org/TFA](http://www.legion.org/TFA). These programs will help those in the Legion family who are in need and illegible for this. These are ongoing permanent programs for any future needs. Mailing address is: (specify your wishes on the check or note.)

or (call them for any questions.)  
The American Legion National Headquarters  
700 N. Pennsylvania St.  
P.O. Box 1055  
Indianapolis, IN 46206  
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Did you know our American Legion has an office building in Washington D.C. ? It is located only 3 blocks from the White House on K Street. In there you will find our new National Commander when she visits for various reasons. Notice I said she. Yes, Denise Rohan of Wisconsin was elected as the first female National Commander of The American Legion during the 99th American Legion National Convention in Reno, Nev. Congratulations to our National Commander and best wishes for the year.

For all active duty military members and their dependents who are at the Minneapolis airport Lindbergh terminal you have a Armed Forces Service Center staffed 24 hours every day. It's there for your comfort. Various food and other items for your use at no charge.

Finally, I want to thank Ground Zero for finishing up our new parking lot. Looks much better and user friendly too. Also thanks to Rodney Lambrecht and Gordy Batzlaff for installing our translucent windows by the bar and Don Hoffmeister for volunteering his time and materials for doing all the inside finish wood work on this update. Thanks to those

**OCTOBER 2017**

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>CLUBROOM HOURS</b> Tuesday-Saturday Open 1:00 pm Closed Sunday and Monday <b>Pull Tab Happy Hour</b> Tuesday-Friday 3-5 pm 507-354-4016 www.namnetcanlegion.com	1 Club Closed	2 Club Closed	3 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Burgers and Bucks Legion LooT/Jackpot drawing at 6:30 pm	4 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Auxiliary Card Party @ 6:30	5 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Food Available 5-7 Bingo 7 pm FREE peanuts in the shell	6 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm	7 Broasted Chicken 5-7:30 pm
<b>PULL TABS</b> Available at the Club <i>Gambling License No. A-00417</i> <b>KARLA HAVEMEIER, LTD</b> Karla Havemeier, CPA New Ulm www.karlshavemeier.com	8 S.A.L Scrambled Egg Breakfast 9am-1pm	9 Post, Unit & Squadron 132 meetings 7 pm Clubroom open @ 5:00 pm	10 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Burgers and Bucks Legion LooT/Jackpot drawing at 6:30 pm A.L. Riders @ 6:30 pm	11 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm VFW Meeting 7 pm	12 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Food Available 5-7 Bingo 7 pm FREE peanuts in the shell	13 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm	14 Jerry & Rosie's Made Rights 10:30 am-1pm or until gone World's Worst Band 6 pm
<b>State Farm</b> STATE FARM SELECT AGENT	15 Early Bird Dinner 1 pm	16 Club Closed	17 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Burgers and Bucks Legion LooT/Jackpot drawing at 6:30 pm	18 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Legion Baseball mtg @ 6 pm	19 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Food Available 5-7 Bingo 7 pm FREE peanuts in the shell	20 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm	21 6:30 pm seating starts for 7 pm Comedy Show - Benefit for Lone Survivor Foundation
<b>Don Sanderson</b> Agent 1600 N. Broadway St New Ulm, MN 56073-1252 <i>Providing Insurance and Financial Services</i>	22 Club Closed	23 Club Closed	24 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Burgers and Bucks 5-7 pm Legion LooT/Jackpot drawing at 6:30 pm	25 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm New Ulm Baseball mtg @ 7 pm	26 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Food Available 5-7 Bingo 7 pm FREE peanuts in the shell	27 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm	28 Broasted Pork Chops 5-7:30 pm
<b>Nilson</b> <i>Heating &amp; Air Conditioning</i> 121 South Broadway, New Ulm 507-354-5500	29 Club Closed Candy Bagging for Halloween 2-4:7pm	30 Club Closed	31 S.A.L Community Halloween Party 5-8 pm Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm	1 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm	2 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm Food Available 5-7 Bingo 7 pm FREE peanuts in the shell	3 Pull Tab Drink Discount 3-5 pm	
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**CLUBROOM HAPPENINGS** - Brian Gramentz

THANK YOU! Over the past year we have been supported by our many Legion family members and visitors! We tried new things and I can say we are financially better off today than a year ago. But the work continues... I want to again thank the volunteers working in the kitchen putting out the GREAT food! Pork chops, chicken, and burgers, Oh My! We did Sauerkraut and dumplings and a shrimp/steak fry in September, we will look at the results and see about scheduling them in future months. Can you just taste it? Jerry and Rosie's Made Rights are back in October. Come on down put a smile on Jerry's face! SAL is having a scrambled egg breakfast on Sunday, October 8, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. It will be egg-a-licious!

The pull tab drink discount is working very well. The hours are 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm, Tuesday through Friday. I finally got to try the pizza, it is pretty good. I'll be back for another supreme pizza (and a cold beverage)!

Burgers and Bucks continue Tuesday nights, "BINGO!" on Thursdays, and how about that great "Cook's Choice" food, FANTASTIC, right? The volunteer cooks and servers are doing a great job, anyone wanting to volunteer to help, just let Sheila or I know, and we can get you set up! We need people to help prepare the food on Friday to be cooked and served on Saturday. No volunteer assistance has ever been turned down! There are Legion clubs closing all over the nation, let's keep ours going! We need your participation, see you down at the Legion!

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

By now, you should have received your dues statement for membership year 2018. Again this year the dues are just \$20.00 which are less than most dues if you belong to other organizations. I ask that you pay your dues now so we can continue to support the post in some of their projects and those projects of The American Legion. In addition to these projects, you also receive valuable discounts in many areas including a medical payment, if you are unable to pay, up to \$3,000 with it possibly increasing to \$5,000. Your cost for this medical benefit, which comes out of your \$20.00, is only 25 cents per year. That alone is worth keeping your membership current and you in good standing in the Sons of the American Legion.

Along with your statement, you found an additional sheet for you to fill out. National is now asking for this information for their records and is required on your membership section that is sent to National. Please fill out and enclose with your payment so this can be included when sent to National. Your cooperation on this would be greatly appreciated.

On October 8th our squadron is having a Scrambled Egg Breakfast. Your support for this event would be greatly appreciated by either attending or volunteering to help out. We could use a few more volunteers so please consider helping. If you want to help, please call Sheila at the bar and let her know so she can get your name on the list. We will be serving at the post from 9 am to 1 pm. We will be having a chicken roaming around greeting everyone. This alone is a good reason to participate and have a Good Home Cooked Breakfast. Mark your calendars for this day.

October 31st (Tuesday) we will again have our Annual Community Children's Halloween Party at the Post. The hours will be from 5 to 8. I've put in for good weather for that evening so bring your kids or grandkids for this big event. If you want to help bag candy and decorate the dining area for Halloween, we will be doing this on Sunday Oct. 29th at 2:00p.m. and should be done by 4:00. The more help we have, the sooner we will be done.

Our next SAL meeting will be Oct.9th starting at 7 pm at the post so we can discuss the coming year. Your input is valuable at these meetings. It also keeps you informed as to what this squadron is doing here at home and nationally.

**BASEBALL** — Vern Kitzberger,

October means we'll be having our annual meeting, and it looks like there will be some committee members retiring as their terms expire. So, if anyone is interested in serving on the baseball committee, let me know. You can call me at 276-6827, or e-mail me at vernkitz@yahoo.com.

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

Auxiliary meeting will be October 9, 2017, 7:00 PM

**BR. CO. VETERAN'S SERVICE NEWS** — Greg Peterson

Brown County Courthouse 507-233-6636

Minneapolis VA Medical Center Offers Cochlear Implants. For years, Minneapolis VA Medical Center patients with significant hearing loss would travel to the Iowa City VA to obtain a cochlear implant which is a surgically implanted electronic device that provides a sense of sound to a person who is profoundly deaf or severely hard of hearing in both ears. After the Iowa surgery the Veteran would have to return up to six times a year to adjust the device. To find out if you are eligible for an implant, contact your VA primary care provider for a consult to the audiology clinic. Tricare Retiree Dental Program now covers implants. Delta Dental will pay 50% of dental implants (per-year) after you have been enrolled in the program for at least 12 months. 100% of exams, x-rays, cleanings 10200142, and fluoride treatments is allowed as soon as you enroll.

Two months of your premium must be paid up-front and then premiums are deducted from your monthly retirement check. This benefit is available to Retired members of the Uniformed Services including "gray-area" National Guard/Reserve Retirees under age 60, current spouses, and children up to age 23. All enrollment info is online at: trdp.org, or your Service Officers can also help.

CVSO Peterson was re-elected as the Judge Advocate for the Minnesota Assn. of CVSOs at their annual conference recently held in Nisswa. In this capacity Peterson advises the Service Officer Association and individual County's as to the laws that pertain to Minnesota's Veterans. In his last term he successfully argued that all Service Officers should be administered an Oath of Office as required under MN Law. His research also uncovered a trend in several counties that were not officially appointing assistant service officers. This discovery lead to a state-wide briefing on the subject and corrective actions are being taken to protect the Counties and their Assistant Service Officers.

Greg Peterson • Dave Koester, Veterans Service Officers  
O: 507-233-6636 F: 507-233-6638 • greg.peterson@co.brown.mn.us

**Made Rights are back!!!**

Jerry & Rosie will be starting Made Rights again on Saturday October 14th. Serving will be from 10 – 1:30 or until gone. Dine in or take out. This is your chance to start celebrating Octoberfest at the Legion. Jerry, Rosie and their team are looking forward to another season of their Famous Made Rights.

**Membership number for October**

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 October 1 & 20.

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