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Quarterly Newsletter

Commander's Corner

Fellow Legionnaires,

As the global pandemic keeps us physically separated, service to community brings us together in ways that make a difference for schools in St. Peter and rural Nicollet County. Regardless of learning methods, the need for school supplies remains constant. The annual backpack collection filled backpacks of over 500 students. The community Back to School program recognized our American Legion Family as providing the largest amount of donations for a small business. Congratulations to our mighty team of volunteers.

I also want to recognize the volunteer hours and talents that are making improvements to our building. The sheet rocking project is nearing completion and soon flooring will begin. We are all looking forward to sharing our improved surroundings. Special thanks to Ron Johnson for his project management and Travis Smith for his leadership as the Remodel Committee Chair.

As we continue to remain physically separated, I wish you all the best of health.

Shawn Schloesser (507)381-6547
 Commander



SAVE YOUR RECEIPTS DIRECT YOUR DOLLAR—Receipts

Family Fresh Market in St. Peter has a community support program to help non-profit groups earn \$1,000. **SAVE** your receipts from Family Fresh and bring them to the American Legion, Post 37, to help us earn \$1,000. The **ENTIRE** receipt needs to be turned in.

Thank You

We would like to thank the St. Peter Tourism & Visitors Bureau for their generous donation to be used for our Quarterly Newsletters.

Post Meetings are held the **second Monday** of each month at **7:00 PM**.

SAL Meetings are held on the **first Tuesday** of each month at **7:00 PM**.

Auxiliary Meetings are held on the **second Monday** of each month at **5:30 PM**.

House Committee Meetings are held on the **first Monday** of each month at **6:00 PM**.

Legion Riders Meetings are held on the **fourth Tuesday** of each month at **7:00 PM**.

Bingo will resume when Legion opens for business.

Honor Guard Notes

First off I want to thank the Last Man Club Vietnam War Era, American Legion Post 37, and the St. Peter Fire Department for the honor ceremony they had for me in July. After I heard all the things I did, I was almost afraid to look in my mail box on Monday morning afraid there was a letter from the pope making me a saint. But I don't think I have to worry about that.

Thank you to all the people who showed up on a hot July Saturday. I wish my wife, Dawn, could

have been here. She always said, "do you think people really care?" Thank you to the Coon and Klauseus family for the donation. Funerals since last newsletter: August 20, 2020 John Coon, Woodlawn Cemetery, US Navy, September 12, 2020, Vern Klauseus, Calvary Cemetery, US Navy.

Bernie Thieman
Honor Guard Commander



Color Guard Notes

On Saturday, July 18, 2020 the Color Guard participated in the Giant Celebration in LeSueur. We also participated in honoring Bernie Thieman on July 20, 2020 for his contribution to the community. Because of the Covid-19 we are unsure if there will

be any other events before the end of this year.

Ron Davis
Color Guard Commander



Legion Riders

The American Legion Riders have had an exciting time in this unprecedented last 3 months.

Our events and activities have been minimal with COVID19 still hanging around but we have had a few events that have had overwhelming success.

In our June Meeting, I was re elected as Chapter Director. I'd like to thank everyone for your support that has made our chapter what it is and look forward to another year of success.

Along with various impromptu rides that ended up at various local posts, we were asked to attend some very important events in the area:

August 1st : We attended the Martin County Veterans Memorial Cobra Helicopter Dedication Parade/Ceremony in Fairmont, MN

August 21st:Rock Recon with DAV Chapter 10 and Rock 95

August 29th:Birthday Drive By for David Strand
We also were part of Flag donations to Niesen's Sports Bar and the St Peter High School.

We also are planning more runs for when the

weather cooperates and all this Virus insanity subsides.

The current ALR Chapter 37 officers are as follows:

Director - Dave Street
Assist. Director - Robert Jones
Secretary - Joenilla Robertson
Treasury - Megan Smith
Chaplin - Dale Molitor
Sgt At Arms - Lee Swenson
Road Captain - Jamie Lorentz
Historian - Chris Thomas
P/R & Event Coordinator-Angie Glassel

Anyone interested in joining is welcome to attend! All meetings are held in the Legion Club Room the 4th Tuesday of every month.

Dave Street,
ALR Director
Chapter 37

Ladies Auxiliary News

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Upcoming Events

October 10, MarketFest 10-2PM

October 24, MarketFest 10-2PM and American Meal Drive Thru 11-1:30PM

Upcoming Meeting Schedule – All meetings begin promptly at 5:30 PM.

October 13, November 11, and December 9, 2020

For any further questions regarding the Auxiliary please contact our President at auxiliary-post37@gmail.com

Angie



Other News

While our doors have been closed, many of you have supported our Legion Family with your efforts that should not be overlooked or understated. From planning and organizing, to volunteering and staffing, and supporting with your donations, all of these efforts are keeping our Legion Family moving forward. Supporting our community is in keeping with the pillars of the American Legion. Your efforts were recognized by the Back to School Program as the largest donation for small business, providing funding

for Children and Youth Programming through mask making, and donations to the Building Fund with curbside food events.

I also appreciate your patience as we continue to streamline our processes to ensure fiscally responsible event planning and staffing. Thanks, one and all for your efforts.

Commander Schloesser.



Two Officer positions vacant

Post 37 continues to have two officer positions vacant. I encourage each of you to review the duty descriptions and decide if you could serve in a greater capacity. These positions are critical to the continued success of our Post and our House management. Please consider contacting me directly for further information on these elected officer positions. Commander Shawn Schloesser (507) 934-1474.

Adjutant

The adjutant is the primary administrative officer for the post. The role provides continuity for a post, duties are administrative and functional. The office involves attention to detail. They maintain minutes of meetings, assist the work of the other officers and committees, and publish official orders, announcements and communication with post members. An effective adjutant is an essential component of a

successful post. All post records should be maintained and accessible by the adjutant, in a comprehensive filing system.

Second Vice Commander

The second vice commander is responsible for building an atmosphere in which Legionnaires have fun while accomplishing the mission of your American Legion post. The second vice commander should be looking for ways to involve members in post activities, operations and programs to assist the first vice commander by providing improved member retention.

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Gambling News...

YOUR LEGION AND OUR CHARITABLE GAMBLING



This newsletter compiled by Joenilla
Robertson & printed as submitted.
(Post member, Legion Rider & Color Guard)

Nothing to report at this time.

Cliff Isley
Gambling Manager