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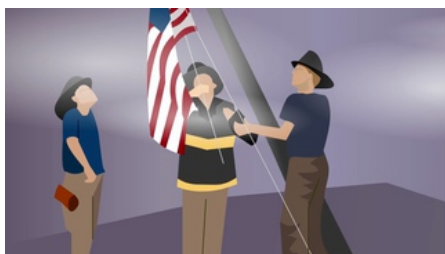


Commander: Legionaries and Legion Family Members It sure has become a very busy summer at the Post, with a great deal more planned. Don't miss out on an opportunity to join in and enjoy everything our Legion families and volunteers accomplish. A thank you to Mrs. Shirley Brown your Adjutant, as well as publishing this newsletter she does a great job bringing the Legion families stories and activities to us at the post and to our supporting businesses. Best wishes for the coming fall season.

Gale Sears

PATRIOT DAY

We Will Never Forget.



Patriot Day is an annual observance on September 11 to remember those who were injured or died during the terrorist attacks in the United States on September 11, 2001.

Join us for our Annual Patriot Day Celebration on September 11, 2017 at 9:00 A.M.

2nd Vice: As the Post Activities Director, (Your Post 21 Cruise Director) I want to thank everyone for their volunteer efforts during the past summer's activities.

Without the help of our volunteers, many of the summers activities would not have happened. Please consider helping during the end of the year BBQ.

That being said, Summer is almost over and Fall is approaching, we have quite a few activities planned for the fall months so if you have some free time, please consider stepping up and volunteering.

Terry Ward
"Papa"



Riders: The weather has been treating us nicely, let's hope it keeps up for our annual Legacy Scholarship Fund poker ride happening on the 9th of September. This year our ride will consist of heading over to Lincoln City to the Game Over Arcade, down the coast to the American Legion Post 116 in Newport, over to the American Legion Post 51 in Lebanon and then back home to Post 21. Everyone is welcome to join in on the festivities. No need to own a motorcycle, you can drive the poker ride in your car. Once we return to the post in McMinnville we'll be having a BBQ consisting of steak and all the trimmings, 50/50 drawing, raffle prizes, auctions, a live band and much more. It is shaping up to be a magical event and evening. We're hoping everyone can make it.



THE AMERICAN LEGION
LEGACY RUN

One thing we like to do is recognize our members for the hard work and dedication they have put into our small organization. In July, we honored Debra JuShae-Sieber as our recipient for the

Rider of the Year. Debra has been involved with our ALR chapter for four years now. She does an outstanding job as our treasurer and was the driving force in getting all the donations for the gift baskets we handed out to the veterans at the Oregon Veterans Home in Lebanon last year during our Legacy Scholarship Fund poker ride. So, when you see Debra around please congratulate her for a job(s) well done.



Also, please help us in welcoming three new members that joined the organization in July. Dave Constans a veteran and member of Post 21 American Legion, Steven Stone, a veteran and member of Post 75 (Sheridan) American Legion and Rod Moore, also a veteran and member of Post 75. Our numbers have grown in the short time I've been a member of Post 21 ALR and we foresee more growth in the future. We've always stated that when we're out and about on our scoots,

wearing our McMinnville Post 21 American Legion Rider back patch we're seen by members of the community and it peaks their interest. We have many members that have found out about the American Legion through the Legion Riders. We're hoping this form of "advertisement" never goes away and only helps the American Legion and its families grow.



Jerry Perry,
STRENGTH IN NUMBERS!!!

Auxiliary: The Yard Sale was a success!! Thanks to all who donated and all who helped. Without your help, it would not have been as successful. The Auxiliary is auctioning off a handmade Quilt, tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. The Quilt is on display at the Post.

The Junior Auxiliary Program is up and running, our first meeting for Junior Auxiliary members is September 16 at 3:00 pm.

Debra Godwin, Auxiliary President.

Auxiliary Membership: Please pay your dues ASAP. In doing so you will be eligible for the early bird drawing as well as helping your unit. Any Questions, call me! 503-560-3775. Because they are due Now! Ask Mike about becoming a PUFL (Paid up for Life) member and never have to pay your dues again.

D. "Mike" Gregory

Auxiliary Membership



The imprint of POW/MIA families is deep. The flag that represents America's missing and imprisoned warriors was commissioned by the wife of a MIA serviceman and designed by the father of a Marine who fought, but was never captured, in Vietnam.

The flag is black, bearing in the center the emblem of the National League of American Prisoners. The emblem is an image of a man's silhouette against a backdrop of a guard tower with guard holding a rifle, and a strand of barbed wire. Above the emblem are the white letters POW and MIA framing a five-pointed star. Below are the powerful words, "You are not forgotten," which have come to represent our commitment – and obligation – to bring all our troops home.



VETERANS' LEGACIES

During our last membership meeting we had a visit from Mark Browning, Executive Director of Veterans' Legacies. The goal of Veterans' Legacies is to make Oregon the first state in the nation to collect information on every single one of our more than 152,000 World War II Veterans. Oregon is losing nearly 500 WWII veterans a day and time is running out. We must act now or lose their stories forever.

By joining with communities, schools, and service organizations we can directly communicate with and record the history and stories of these veterans. This way we not only preserve the legacies of our veterans but we empower and educate the students who do so. We are preparing our future by learning from the past.



This is your opportunity to help save the legacies of those who saved the world. For more information on how you can help preserve the legacy visit www.veteranlegacies.com.

WHY EVERY BABY BOOMER SHOULD BE TESTED FOR HEPATITIS C.

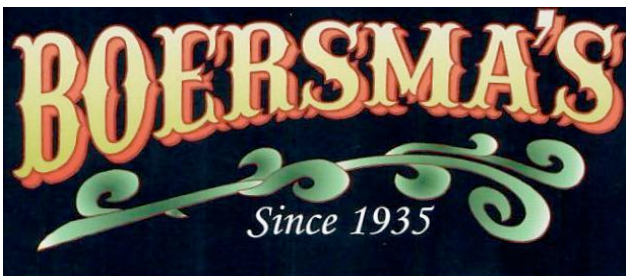
More than 75% of adults infected with Hepatitis C (Hep C) are baby boomers (born between 1945 & 1965). Hep C is transferred thru blood contact, but it's not always about drug users. 1970s and 1980s Hepatitis C transmission were the highest. Remember standing in line with 100 of your closest friends for vaccinations?

People can live with Hepatitis C infection for decades without knowing it; many boomers may be living with an infection they got many years ago. It is curable if caught. You may have Hep C and not know it...till your liver tells you it isn't feeling well. Don't wait till it's too late. Have your Hep C test with your regular annual physical.

Spread the word; save a life; ask your friends if they have been tested.

In memory of my brother Larry:
Sim (Corff) Sears





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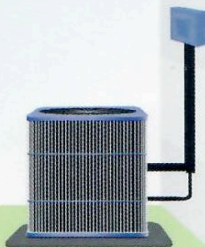
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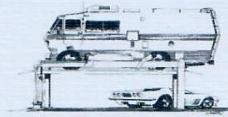
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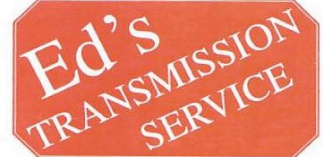
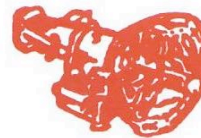
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September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Prime Rib Dinner Specials 6:30 Auxiliary Meat Raffle	2 Cancer Bingo 1:00
3	4 End of Summer & Labor Day BBQ	5 Rambling Rejects	6 Sons Mtg 6:30	7 Equestrians	8 Prime Rib Dinner Specials 6:30	9 Legacy Run
10	11 Patriot Day Ceremony 9:00 a.m.	12	13 Legal Cmttee 5:00 DAV/DAVA Mtg. 6:30	14 Hunters	15 Prime Rib Dinner Specials 6:30 POW/MIA DAY Sons Meat Raffle	16
17	18 House Committee 4:00 Executive Mtg 6:30	19 Auxiliary Mtg 6:00	20 General Mbshp 6:30	21	22 Prime Rib Dinner Specials 6:30	23
24	25	26 AMVETS 6:30	27 Rider's Meeting 7:00	28	29 Prime Rib Dinner Specials 6:30 Riders Meat Raffle	30

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!
Happy Birthday
and more to all of you!

September Birthdays: Joan Bernard, Marie Boomer, Janice Meikle,
Marv Worden (90 years young), Terri Eggers, Barbara Lord, Dick
Vandyke, Larry Pedersbeck, Garth Confer, Glenna Smith, Jerry George,
Debra Pennington, Delbert Whinery, Julie Risen, Dan Brown, Vikki
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UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 1 – Auxiliary Meat Raffle
- 4 – Labor Day BBQ 12-3 p.m.
- 9 – Legacy Run
 - Breakfast 7:30 am
 - BBQ 4:00 pm
- 11 – Remembrance Day
 - Ceremony 9:00 am
- 15 – MIA/POW Day
- 15 – Son's Meat Raffle
- 18 – Air Force Birthday
- 24 – Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day
- 29 – Rider's Meat Raffle

OCTOBER

- 13 – Navy Birthday
- 14 – Sea Cadet Fund Raiser
- 28 – Octoberfest/Halloween Party

MISSING MAN TABLE CEREMONY

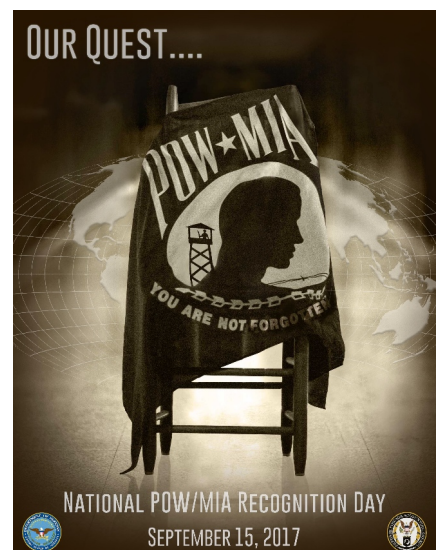


This table is set for one, it is small - symbolizing the frailty of one prisoner alone against his oppressors. The table cloth is white, symbolizing the purity of their intentions to respond to their country's call to arms. The single rose displayed in the vase reminds us of the families and friends of our missing brothers who keep faith while awaiting their return.

The red ribbon on the vase represents the red ribbons worn on the lapels on thousands who demand with unyielding determination a proper accounting of our brothers and sisters who are not among us tonight. A slice of lemon on the plate reminds us of their bitter fate. The salt sprinkled on the plate reminds us of the countless fallen tears of families as they wait. The glass is inverted - they cannot toast with us this night. The candle is the light of hope which lives in our hearts to light the way home; out of the hands of their oppressors and into the arms of a grateful nation. The chair is empty - they are not here.

Let us remember and never forget their sacrifice.

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