THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 21 SEPTEMBER 2019 126 ATLANTIC STREET MCMINNVILLE, OR 97128

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1st Vice: UNSUNG VOLUNTEERS! Last month I commented on some wonderful volunteers, I want to do it again. A non-Legionnaire, Mike Full, this year alone, using his own equipment has mowed the field that we use for parking 3 times. Most times the only payment for Mike's work is a rose for his wife.

For this newsletter I would like to recognize another, Donna Reed. Many of you know Donna and appreciate the food she cooks for us as a paid employee. What you may not know is she is responsible for many of the flower decorations you find at the Post. Many of the flowers come from her own garden and for the past few weeks has made floral arrangements with her own flowers and Roses from the Rose Garden and taken them to the Cancer Center at Willamette Valley Medical Center.



There are many other dedicated volunteers in our Post and perhaps you know of someone who deserves a **THANK YOU!**

Make sure to submit them to Shirley Brown, not only the Post Adjutant also newsletter publisher, oh and her husband – what's his name, Dan, always helping as a non-member. Now, Dan is a new American Legion Member, welcome, and THANK YOU! both so much.

Bob Berweger – First Vice.



Jobn Fitzgerald Kennedy

Riders: Riders Assistant Director Paul Schnell here, filling in while our Director, Jerry George, does what Riders do. Wishing him safe travels on his big motorcycle tour of the West with Jack Bailey and friends.

American Legion Post 21 Riders have logged over 10,000 miles riding together in just the last 2 months! While some of those runs were just for fun, much of the mileage was in support of other posts and veterans for escorts and fundraising efforts.

Riders will be representing Post 21 in full regalia during the opening ceremonies for the Oregon Air Show later this month. Supporting the Honor Guard on Friday and Sunday, Post 21 Riders will be joined with American Legion Riders from throughout the area. It should be a magnificent presentation of the colors and thunder to open the event!!

Finally, check this newsletter for more information on the ALR Post 21 Scholarship Poker Run & Raffle coming on Saturday, 9/7. We're thankful for the many volunteers and donations that re helping make this event our best ever! Fundraising efforts support scholarship at our local high schools for students who are children or grandchildren of veterans. We're proud of the efforts and support of the Post families and our community for this cause.

Where can I find out more information about what is going on at POST 21?

If you are reading this, you're part way home. All our members that have provided their email to the Post, receive a copy of the Newsletter via that. If your email changes or you would like to share the newsletter with others you can go to our Web site: <u>http://vetsclub.org/</u>.

We also have a Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/AmericanLegionPost21Mcminnvi lleOregon/

Not to mention McMinnville American Legion Post 21 Historians Page:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1751786631710849/

Now here is the best way to get in the know. Get involved, go to meetings, volunteer, ask questions.



THE AIR SHOW!

The last newsletter and various other posts requested volunteers to sign-up for a fence build. Enough people committed to helping that we told the coordinator that Post 21 would be responsible to construct and remove the fence. Construction dates are September 17, 18, 19. Removal of the fence will be September 22.

In the meantime, we were contacted by Mr. Don Webber, Department First Vice Commander, to man an information booth at the Airshow. We are planning 1 shift on Friday, Sept. 20, and two shifts on Sept. 21, and 22. If possible, we would like to have 4 volunteers for each shift. One representing the Legion, the Sons, the Auxiliary, and one from the Riders. Husband and wife, or wife and husband teams representing different families is also desirable. There soon will be sign-up sheets for the information booth at the Club.

Lastly, The United Veterans Honor guard has been asked to do the opening honors along with The American Legion Riders on September 20 and 22.

The best information I have is volunteers working at the Airshow will have free entry the day they work, also those who have worked on the fence. The Post is also to receive \$1,000.00 for their efforts.

Bob Berweger - First Vice 503, 472-3839

Sgt. at Arms: It's been three months since we started handing out a door prize for attending the general membership meetings. We have had some great prizes. First month was a Powerball ticket, second month's prize was four bottles of wine. So how can we top that you ask? This month's prize will be worth almost \$300.00, so let's keep up the attendance. We had about 20 people attend last month's meeting. I would like to blow that out of the water and double that. See you on September 18 at 6:30. It really will be worth it!!



Auxiliary: We are heading back into a busy time of the year. There will be a Veterans Stand Down for Yamhill County held at our post, October 12th.

The Auxiliary has been asked to help with a 9-11 ceremony for the Veterans at Fir Crest Assisted Living from 1pm until approximately 2pm.

The local First Responders will be there with us also. If there is any one from any other Legion Families that would like to join the Auxiliary contact Debra.

Our Post will be hosting the District 2 meeting on September 29th from 12pm until 3pm. Just a reminder the post will be closed during the meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend the District meeting.

The Auxiliary was contacted by a Care Facility about a Veteran in need. He has Parkinson's and was unable to feed himself. They asked if there was any way possible that we could help him with A Stabilizing spoon. So, our Unit voted to purchase the spoon. August the 5th I headed to the Facility with several Legion Riders behind me. What a day that was. We took over the facility, had a Birthday cake and the spoon for him. It was amazing to see him pick that spoon up off the table and dig into his birthday cake. We sat with him for a while as he talked to the Riders and Legionaries, they shared stories and oh did he have a lot of questions. He smiled, laughed, and talked his way right into our hearts. He wanted to go see all the motorcycles, so we wheeled him outside and started each bike for him. He wanted to hear that rumble so bad. He even got dust in his face , he laughed and laughed.

I have visited several Post's and I must say that our Post is a true Family!!! We all support each other in everything we do. Thank you to our Legion Riders for going with me and sharing that day with our Veteran. You made it even more special for him.

Veterans, Community, Children, and Youth is what the Auxiliary is all about!!

The Auxiliary held our annul Yard Sale, and I have to say we smashed all records. Becky Berweger was the PIC and she knocked it out of the park!!! Thank you, Becky, for the job well done. I need to Thank everyone who helped. What a team!!! Once again, we came together as a Family. Thank you to the Riders, Legionnaires, and Son's that helped make the Yard sale a success.

It is Membership time again, please remember to renew your membership.

Debra Godwin – President



Did you know you can play Bingo at Post21? Yes, Every Sunday at 1:00 you canplay Bingo. And on the First Saturdayof the Month you can play Cancer Bingo,

where the proceeds go to the Willamette Valley Cancer Center.

The Post 21 American Legion Riders Scholarship Poker Run & Raffle is here! The route is set, the food is ordered, and the prizes are being collected. Chris Sieber and his organizing committee -- Sam Fields, Mike Paull, Steve Randles and Jim Connelly -- have done an AMAZING job gathering raffle and auction items for this event. Here are some of the items:

- Marble Top Table
- Leather Saddle
- Proof set of American Legion 100th Anniversary Commemorative Coins
- Motorcycle Apparel and Accessories
- Pendleton blanket, Ball caps, T-shirts
- Gift certificates for Spirit Mountain, Dining, MC accessories, Veterinary Services, Pest Control...
- Boozy gifts, Golf balls & clubs, Kitchen items, Custom wheels and MORE!

The most important two things we still need with are HELP and GUESTS. We've already had so much help from the families of Post 21 and we're in the home stretch. If you are available to help for this event in any capacity, please reach out to the illustrious Chris Sieber.

Schedule of events (all activities at Post 21)
9 AM - 10 AM: Breakfast buffet - \$7/person
9:15 AM - 11 AM: Poker Run Registration

\$15/first hand, \$5/additional hands

9:45 AM: Blessing of the Bikes

10 AM: First Bike/Vehicle Out
11 AM: Last Bike/Vehicle Out

11 AM: Last Bike/Vehicle Out
3 PM - 7 PM: Ribs and Chicken BBQ Dinner

\$12/person, Raffles, Silent Auction

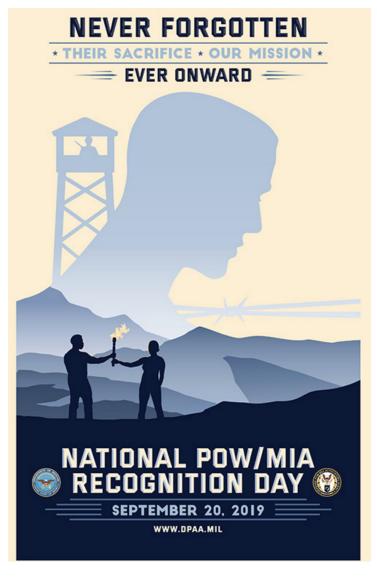
4 PM - 7 PM: Live Music with LAYMANS TERMS

If you're not volunteering, then please, be our guest at this important event supporting scholarships in our area...and bring friends!

POW/MIA REMEMBERANCE TABLE



2019 NATIONAL POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY



September 20, 2019 will soon be proclaimed by the President as National POW/MIA Recognition Day. Over the past several years, all or most of the 50 states have proclaimed POW/MIA Recognition Day in conjunction with the national effort. The League has asked each state to issue a proclamation, so please contact your Governor and ask for his/her support and a copy of your state's proclamation!

Across the country, local POW/MIA ceremonies are encouraged throughout POW/MIA Recognition Week, culminating with a countless number of events and the national ceremony in Washington, DC, on Recognition Day. Support for Americans missing and unaccounted-for in wartime, and their families, is deeply felt. America's POW/MIAs can be honored and recognized, but not memorialized. The focus should be on sustaining commitment to account for them as fully as possible. Strong, united, active support by the American people is crucial to achieving concrete answers. Now is the time to plan for this year's ceremonies. Thus far, **the American people, especially our supportive veterans, have made the difference.**



Following is a summary of News Stories of the most recent identified POW/MIA members from World War II, Korean War and Vietnam.

World War II

Army Air Forces 1st Lt. Herschel Mattes – Lost March 6, 1944 lost when his plane crashed fallowing a bombing run near Italy. Accounted for July 29, 2019.

Army Air Forces Cpl. Walter Kellett – Lost July 19, 1942 when taken as a prisoner of war and interned at the Cabanatuan Prisoner of War Camp. Accounted for July 23, 2019.

Army Pfc. Donald Mangan – Lost September 17, 1944 after his unit was attacked by enemy forces near Wettlingen, Germany. Accounted for July 30, 2019.

Navy Seaman 1st Class Lyal Savage – Lost during the attack on Pear Harbor, December 7, 1941 – USS Oklahoma. Accounted for July 29, 2019.

Army PFC Lawrence Worthen – Lost September 17, 1944 after his unit was attacked by enemy forces near Wettlingen, Germany. Accounted for July 30, 2019.

Navy Seaman 2nd Class Hubert Hall – Lost during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941 – USS Oklahoma. Accounted for July 29, 2019.

Navy Fire Controlman 1st Class Robert Corn – Lost during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941 – USS Oklahoma. Accounted for July 29, 2019.

Navy Seaman 2nd Class Brady Prewitt – Lost during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941 – USS Oklahoma. Accounted for July 29, 2019.

Navy Fireman 2nd Class Albert Renner – Lost during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941 – USS West Virginia. Accounted for August 19, 2019.

Navy Seaman 1st Class Stewart Jordan – Lost June 12, 1944 when the USS Nelson was attacked while anchored off the Coast of Normandy. Account for August 27, 2019.

Korean War

Army Maj. Harvey Storms – Lost Dec. 1, 1950 when his unit was attacked near the Chosin Reservoir, North Korea. Accounted for July 29, 2019.

Army Pfc. Daniel Gerrity – Lost November 30, 1950 in a battle near Kuni-ri, North Korea. Accounted for July 29, 2019.

Army Cpl. Harold Pearce – Lost July 20, 1950 during his unit's withdraw from the city of Taejon, South Korea. Accounted for July 29, 2019.

Army Sgt. Willie Galvan – Lost December 1, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for July 30, 2019.

Army Cpl. Norvin Brockett – Lost December 6, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 5, 2019.

Army Sgt. Billy Maxwell – Lost November 30, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 7, 2019.

Army Sgt. Walter Tobin, Jr. – Lost December 2, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 9, 2019.

Army Sgt. David Feriend – Lost December 2, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 7, 2019.

Army Cpl. Ysabel Ortiz – Lost December 2, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 9, 2019.

Army Pfc. Wilbur Tackett – Lost December 6, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 9, 2019.

Army Cpl. Ralph Cale – Lost December 2, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 7, 2019.

Army Pfc. Jasper Marquez – Lost November 28, 1950 when he was taken as a prisoner of war and interred in Hofong Prisoner of war camp. Accounted for August 9, 2019.

Army Cpl. Jerry Garrison – Lost December 2, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 7, 2019.

Army Sgt. 1st Class Phillip Mendoza – Lost December 2, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 9, 2019.

Marine Corps Pfc Billy Johnson – Lost November 30, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 9, 2019.

Army Pfc. Junior Evans – Lost December 12, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 9, 2019.

Army Sgt. Gerald Raeymacker – Lost December 6, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 9, 2019.

Army Cpl. Charles Grubb – Lost December 1, 1950 when his unit was attacked by enemy forces near the Chosin Reservoir. Accounted for August 27, 2019.

Army Cpl. Gudmund Johnson – Lost November 28, 1950 after being taken prisoner of war and interred in Prisoner of war Camp #5. Accounted for August 27, 2019.

September 2019

Su	Μ	Т	W	Th	F	Sat
1 Bingo 1:00 PM	2	3 SON's 6:30 PM	4	5	6 Prime Rib Dinner Special 6:00 PM	7 Post 21 - Rider's Scholorship Poker Run & BBQ
8 Bingo 1:00 PM	9	10 AMVETS 6:30 PM	11	12	13 Prime Rib Dinner Special 6:00 PM	14
15 Bingo Potluck 1:00 PM	16 Finance Committee 5:00 PM Executive Committee 6:30 PM	17 Fence building at Airport 8:30 AM Auxiliary 6:00 PM	18 Fence building at Airport 8:30 AM Activities Committee 5:30 PM General Membership 6:30 PM	19 Fence building at Airport 8:30 AM	20 Fence building at Airport 8:30 AM Prime Rib Dinner Special 6:00 PM	21 Air Show
22 Air Show Bingo 1:00 PM	23	24	25 Legion Rider Meeting 7:00 PM	26	27 Prime Rib Dinner Special 6:00 PM	28
29	30					

September Birthday's

Eric Abrams, James Black, Dan Brown, Rod Brown, Garth Confer, Charles Digsby, Thomas Donohue, Kevin Garber, Jerry George, Lynne Harrell, Sharon Haas, Charles Helvie, Boyd Hinson, Dwayne "Dewey" Jackson, John Kincaid, Francis Laughlin, Richard Leipfert, Stanley Lepkowski, Jared Miller, Terry Olson, Casey Ott, Lori Paddock, Larry Pedersbeck, Paul Pristavec, Riley Sanders, Leanne Schnell, Misty Scott, Glenna Smith, Daniel Smith, Robert Urwin, Richard VanDyke, Darwin Wilde, Tracy Wittrock, Marvin Worden AMERICAN LEGION - POST 21 126 ATLANTIC STREET MCMINNVILLE, OR 97128 503-435-2218 VETSCLUB21@GMAIL.COM

In loving memory of the victims, In loving honor of the heroes,

We remember



PATRIOT DAY REMEMBRANCE Wednesday, September 11, 2019

Historic Events

9/1/1939 - Germany invades Poland, starting WWII. 9/3/1813 – Uncle Sam, a symbol of America was first used. 9/8/1974 – President Ford pardons Richard Nixon for crimes related to Watergate. 9/9/1850 - California becomes the 31st state. 9/11/2011 - Islamic Al-Qaeda Militants flew planes into NYC twin World Trade Towers and the Pentagon. 9/13/1966 – Minimum wage raised to \$1.40. 9/13/1788 – New York City becomes the capitol of the United States. (bet you didn't know that) 9/26/1914 – The U.S. Postal Service was founded.

> We're on the Web! Visit us at: Vetsclub21.org



Local band Laymans Terms is playing in the back yard from 4:00 - 7:00pm.] Come ROCK out with us!!!

Breakfast Buffet 9:00 - 10:00am \$7.00 a plate

Registration - 9:15am Blessings of the Bikes - 0945 1st Bike / Car out - 10:00am Last Bike / Car out - 11:00am Poker Hands \$15.00 First Hand \$5.00 each additional hand g All You Can Eat BBQ Dinner 3:00 - 7:00 \$12.00 a plate Raffles & Silent Auction

Prizes: Highest Poker Hand - \$75.00 Lowest Poker Hand - \$50.00 2nd Highest Hand - \$25.00 Bug Splat Target - \$50.00

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