

LEO C. PETERSON POST NO. 54



The American Legion



MAY 2025

HAPPY HOUR DAILY

Monday to Friday: 3:00 to 6:00 PM

Saturday — 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM AND 4:00 to 6:00 PM

May	2	FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY	5-7:30 pm
	3	BINGO	12 Noon
		KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY	4 pm
	5	Cards	1:30 pm
		CINCO DEMAYO	3-7 pm
	6	HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING	5:30 pm
	7	Cards	1:30 pm
	8	AUXILIARY EBOARD MEETING	3 pm
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	10	BINGO	12 Noon
	12	Cards	1:30 pm
		VFW Meeting	6:00 pm
	13	TACOS	5-7:00 pm
		MEAT RAFFLE	5:00 pm
	14	Cards	1:30 pm
		EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING	5:30 pm
	15	LEGION MEETING	5:30 pm
	16	FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY	5-7:30 pm
	17	Fat Rat Memorial Ride	10:30 am
		BINGO (NOTE TIME CHANGE)	1 PM
	18	Surprise Birthday Party for Leo Gadiant	2-5 pm
		PLEASE KEEP IT A SURPRISE!!!	
	19	Cards	1:30 pm
		Lions Meeting	6:00 pm
	20	Yellow Ribbon Meeting	
	21	Cards	1:30 pm
	22	MEAT RAFFLE	6:00 pm
	23	POPPY DAY	
	24	BINGO	12 Noon
	26	MEMORIAL DAY BRUNCH	9 am-Noon
		Bar Open 9 am—3 pm	
	28	Cards	1:30 pm
	30	FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY	5-7:30 pm
	31	BINGO	12 Noon

Cinco Demayi Days— We will be selling hard and soft shell Tacos and Nachos from 3-7 pm, along with some great drink specials.

Kentucky Derby— Enjoy the most exciting 21 minutes in Horse Racing with us. We will have prizes for the best hat, along with a prize for the most dapper outfit. There will also be electronic horse racing and an appetizer bar available for purchase.

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Fat Rat Memorial Ride— We are honored to host the Fat Rat Memorial Ride again this year on Saturday, May 17 at 10:30 am, and they will be leaving at Noon on bikes so I am asking the Bingo players not to come until all bikes have left and Bingo will start at 1 PM.

Meat Raffle—Thursday, May 22nd at 6 pm. We will be serving Burger & French Fry Baskets from 5—7:30 pm.

Memorial Day Brunch— Wow, Memorial Day is already here and we will be doing the Champagne Brunch from 9 to Noon, along with the Bar being open from 9 am to 3 pm. The cost is \$13.00 per person and includes Scrambled Eggs, Hashbrowns, Hash. French Toast, Biscuits & Gravy, Sausage Links, Fruit Cocktail, Coffee, Juice & Champagne.

Adjutant's Notes....Darwin Christofferson

At the Legion meeting we had guests from the BYTYR and Rise UP they discussed Purple up. The group read to 590 2-4 grade students at Burnside with 6 readers and a couple hundred at Covill preschool. Sunnyside school was April 29th with 20 readers. Great response from the kids at both schools. April 21st was a Pizza Party at the High school for the Military kids.

Col. Stephan Babcock gave us an update on how the Scouts doing. Stephan is the Troop leader of Troup 320. There are 9 active boy scouts and 5 active girls. Lately there has been 7 rank changes and 42 merit badges. Spring camporee scouts in space at Rochester. May backpacking and Summer camp in Park Rapids. It's great to hear the Scouts are doing well.

Col. Wayne Quist gave an update on Veterans Empowered in Rochester. Next month Phase 3 will come out which discusses Jesse James PTSD. All books from Phase 1 and 2 have been donated.

Auxiliary Notes.....Cindy Lohman, President

April has been a busy month for our Legion and Auxiliary promoting and celebrating "Military Child Month". The Auxiliary, along with the Yellow Ribbon and Ruth Buyers have been working on events elevating our members, Post 54,, our community and the schools within our city on being a child of someone who has a military person in their lives which can make life sad and uncomfortable at times. I would like to thank the Auxiliary and anyone who has worked so hard in making this a great month in celebrating with children in reading in our schools – Burnside, Sunnyside, Colvill and the Middle School. Story books that can relate to military children and help us to help them within these tough times. The Purple Up program is a good one.

The Easter Bake Sale was a Great success, raising over \$1,500. Thank you to everyone who donated baked items and money. All proceeds will go to the front handicap door project.

Dates to remember –

Thursday, May 8th – 3 pm Auxiliary EBoard Meeting, 4 pm Auxiliary Meeting- lots of events to talk about.

May 23 – National Poppy Day- We will be meeting at the Legion at 10 am and then head out to the streets from 11 am to 1 pm. Back to the Legion at 1 pm for Pizza and stories of the fun morning we had with our community getting donations for our Veterans. 100% of the money goes to the Vets.

May 26 – Memorial Day – Brunch from 9 am to 12 Noon at the Legion. We are looking for volunteers who can clear and reset tables during this time. Please contact YoBaby (Cindy Lohman)

As Auxiliary President, I would like to thank all of our Auxiliary members, Legion members. Guests, families and friends who help in keeping our Legion a fun and safe place for our community to gather. Thank You For Your Support!!!!!!

Have a safe Memorial Day!!!!