

Rosetown Memorial American Legion Post 542



The American Legion Family

October – December 2021 Newsletter

Commander's Corner

YES, we are still getting Better!!!

GREETINGS - POST MEMBERS, SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION and AUXILIARY

A big thanks to those people who helped at our First (annual?) Pig Roast. It was a lot of work, but well worth it. We made money and people had a great time. We have received about half our goal for renewed memberships; so, if yours isn't in yet, please help us out. We finally got half of the new bar stools we ordered three months ago. These chairs will improve the overall look of the Social Club.

There isn't much time left to come and enjoy our deck this year. It's almost time for Friday Night Bonfires, which are great and super fun to enjoy. You gotta "Come on Down" and enjoy your Social Club. Remember the Post belongs to YOU, our members. Come to a Post meeting, the second Tuesday of every month at 7pm. Get involved. We really are a great group of Veterans and would love to see you. (**Fun is good**)

Upcoming regular events:

- Karaoke every Friday night starting at 6.30pm, on the deck, weather permitting
- Gift Card raffle on Friday at 5pm
- Sunday at 3pm, we have our meat raffle, which is tons of fun.

So, come on down and bring a friend. We are always working to improve the experience at ROSETOWN AMERICAN LEGION – (**we are "Party Central"**)

Pat Van Reese – Commander, Post 542

PS: <http://www.lssmn.org> is the web site for Lutheran Social Services. They have expanded and are helping Veterans. Now they are also helping widows of Vets and others needing counseling or other help. Contact them on the web site or call 844-577-2673

1st Vice Cmd'r - Membership & Finance

- **Membership Report:** We are at 275 renewed and new members as of Sept 1, 2021. 58% of

our goal. The National Data Base Software is new and full of bugs. We haven't received any online membership reports from National. So, we don't know our actual number. But the above estimate is close. Rosetown exists for its Veteran members. We need your support, please get your dues in.

- **Finance Report:** We are above our revenue projections and are doing well. The Commander and I conducted an internal audit up to the end of August. We confirmed we are operating above our projections and above our breakeven point. We are making money. We're being conservative with our money. We are making a reasonable ROI. Our financial condition is good; all of our accounts are positive.

Jeffrey Proud – 1st Vice Cmd'r, Finance, & Membership

American Legion Riders

It's that time again. The ALR Chapter officers are up for election, for another two-year term. October is nomination time, and the election will be held at the November meeting. I ask for prayers for our Sergeant at Arms, Rocky Hernandez. May he get well and recover his strength soon. Our riding season will be coming to an end soon. Stay safe and watch out for kids and wet leaves. Thank you for another good year with Post 542 ALR.

Robert Leslie - ALR President

SAL Squadron 542

The semi-annual bone in ham breakfast is back. Mark your calendar for Sunday, November 7th, come on down and enjoy a great breakfast. It will be served at Rosetown from 9am-noon.

Reminder membership dues are \$25. Please mail or drop off your dues at the club and we will get your card issued.

Al Hernandez, SAL Commander
Steve Pennig, SAL Adjutant

Rosetown Legion Auxiliary

I would like to give a huge thank you to all our Auxiliary Members who helped in making our "Pig Roast" a great success. The Dart Board, Auction Baskets, 50/50's and our Past President's Hot Dog Stand, would not have been a success without you.

Currently we have a collection box in the Post for School Supplies which will be donated to Roseville Schools. Please help with a donation if you can. Also, we always have a container collecting food for our community. Our Community Service Chairman takes donations to the local community collection service, Keystone.

Looking ahead to November 20th, for our Holiday Bazaar. Make sure you come in to shop for great holiday items. In December we try to send our members, who are shut-ins and cannot get to our meetings and activities, a holiday greeting of flowers or baskets. If you know of any members who cannot attend our meetings due to illness or are home bound, please pass their names on to us.

Please remember our "Hat, Scarf and Mitten" tree we have at the Post every year at the end of November and beginning of December. All donations on this tree go to "Sharing and Caring Hands", a non-denominational organization that helps homeless and unfortunate families at this time of year.

Check our Post Calendar for all festivities coming up at Rosetown. Join us for games, raffles, food, and fun at Rosetown.

Gwen Holets, President

Charitable Gambling and Gaming

- **Gaming News**

- Gift Cards are every Wednesday and Friday starting at 5:30pm.
- Meat Raffles are every Sunday starting at 3pm.
- Bingos are on Saturdays, starting at 3pm, Oct 9 and Oct 23 (see the monthly calendar for gaming dates)

Mike Byrne – Gambling Manager Scouts Troop 31
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You can follow our adventures on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/ScoutsBSATroop9031>

We are always looking for new youth to join the Troop, so if you know of anyone, please have them or their family contact Scoutmaster Brian Towne at 612-437-9510 or henryfan1@gmail.com Boys of any age up to 18 are welcome – they don't need to be Cub Scouts first, and we do have boys join at older ages. Girls are also welcome, there are separate Troops for the girls associated with other sponsors. At least 5 girls and 2 separate leaders are required to start a girls' Troop, and Troop 31 has not yet had sufficient interest to make that happen.

Thank you for supporting Boy Scout Troop 31 and Cub Scout Pack 31!

Brian Towne – Scoutmaster of Troop 31

Post & Unit 542 Membership

We hope you will re-up with us! Please pay online - saving you and the American Legion mailing and postage. You can update your American Legion DD 214 at the same time.

Legion members: www.legion.org/renew

Auxiliary members: www.legion-aux.org/renew

SAL members: online available soon.

Membership team:

Post: Jeffrey Proud 612-770-3019 Dues \$44

Auxiliary: Sue Sinsioco 651-229-9883 Dues \$30

SAL: Steve Pennig 612-308-5887 Dues \$25

**** Use RosetownLegion@gmail.com to get to anyone at the Post. We'll forward it! ****

- Post -				- Auxiliary -			
Commander	Pat	Van Reese	651-239-7978	President	Gwen	Holets	651-470-0818
1st Vice Cdr & Mem. \$44	Jeffrey	Proud	612-770-3019	1st VP & Membership \$30	Sue	Sinsioco	630-229-9883
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Adjutant	Ken	Semling	651-766-0446	Treasurer	Katie	Joswiak	651-481-9592
Chaplain	Mike	Byrne	651-247-0622	Chaplain	Lucy	Calguire	651-415-1240
Sgt At Arms				Parliamentarian	Donna	Miller	651-771-0445
Service Officer				Historian	Gwen	Holets	651-470-0818
Color Guard Cdr	Ken	Gibson Jr	651-636-3899	Sgt At Arms	Sue	Sinsioco	630-229-9883
				Past President	Karla	Joyce	651-295-5095
- Club -				- SAL -			
Club Manager	Natasha	Caswell	651-503-6369	Cdr & Finance Officer	Al	Hernandez	612-366-0270
Gambling Manager	Mike	Byrne	651-247-0622	1st Vice Cdr & Mem \$25	Steven	Pennig	612-308-5887
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