Rosetown Memorial American Legion Post 542



The American Legion Family

January -March 2022 Newsletter

Commander's Corner

OMG, it's 2022, Rosetown Post 542 is still Spectacular and getting Better!!!

GREETINGS: VETERANS, S.A.L. and A.L. AUXILIARY

First off, I would like to thank Andrea Dorner and her crew for providing concessions on Sundays. 2021 was the end of their term. Now that 2021 is over we don't know what will come, but we'll do our best.

A special Thanks to all those who helped to keep Rosetown's Post and Club going in 2021. We are having our *"Customer Appreciation Party"* on Sunday, Jan 16th. Happy hour will be all day long and free food 1-4pm.

Stop on down. membership is slow now. We need new members and present ones, to pay dues.

Make sure to check Facebook and our monthly Calendar for all our up-coming events. We need more people to get involved. Come on down to a meeting, try at least two, and see what happens. You might meet some nice people. The Legion needs old and new members to get involved. Vets who are not in the VA health system; you are missing the best deal you will ever have. Great medical service and care. You already paid for it, why not get it. If you have any questions how to get into the VA Health care system, call me.

We are still collecting clothing for Veterans this Winter and warm clothing would be appreciated. The clothing is distributed from a church about three blocks from the VA Hospital. There is a box in the hallway for donations. Thank you!

Pat Van Reese – Commander, Post 542

1st Vice Cmd'r - Membership & Finance

- Membership Report: We are at 380 members, as of Dec 15. That's 83% of our 458 goal. Rosetown is a highly dynamic organization; but it exists for its members. We need your support, please get your dues in.
- For those who paid online. The National Legion changed its Data Base last year. They couldn't get me a list of who paid online until just last week. There are eighty cards to send out. So far, I've done twenty. Sorry about this. I'm getting the cards out ASAP. Thank our forward-looking HQ for this vast improvement. And thank you for being loyal Rosetown members and thank you for your service.
- **Finance Report:** Club expenses are rising. Our Club Manager, Tasha Caswell is doing an excellent job managing all the aspects that keep us afloat. We are auditing our internal P/L, revenue, operating expenses, and prices. The key to our success is quality food, drinks, and entertainment. This is for building up and adding new customers. We're being conservative with our money. Our financial condition is good; all our accounts are positive.

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

American Legion Riders

My last article for my two years as President of Post 542 ALR. I want to thank all of the Rosetown Legion for helping get this chapter up and running. It has been a lot of work but fun working with everyone. Keep supporting our mission. Helping The Post, veterans and the four pillars of the American Legion. Ride safe and keep warm. Singing off.

Bob Leslie, WingBob (now Past ALR President)

(Turnover and press time didn't allow for a message from **Kim Elledge, incoming Post 542 ALR President**)

SAL Squadron 542

Happy New Year to all. And what a year 2021 was. We look forward to everyone having a safe and healthy 2022. Thank you to all that have renewed their membership. Remember, dues are \$25. Please mail them to the Post.

The Bone-in-Ham breakfast was a success. Thanks to everyone who came to enjoy. Mark your calendars for the next breakfast that will be held on the Daylight Savings date of March 13. We can't wait to see you there.

We hope you're staying healthy and safe. We appreciate your continued support. If you have any ideas or suggestions to share, please feel free to reach out to us.

Al Hernandez, SAL Commander Steve Pennig, SAL Adjutant

Auxiliary

Happy and blessed New Year to all the Auxiliary. It's going to be a cold couple of months, but we have great plans for the coming year:

January 8 is the 4th District Mid-Winter to be held at the 5th District. We hope to have good crowd with combined Districts.

January 29th is the Winter Carnival Parade - you can go to Arcade Phalen Post to get a ride downtown - to march or just to watch. Afterwards, there will be a Gala event to warm everyone up - Food - Membership Contest with the 5th District - and fun for all during this season. Make sure you get down to Rosetown to meet with friends for food or drinks and get in on the special days which appear in the calendar. Our regular meeting will be on Tuesday, January 11th - hope to see you there.

Gwen Holets, President

Charitable Gambling and Gaming

- Bingo will be on January 15th and 29th starting at 3pm.
- Gift cards will be at 5:30pm Wednesdays and Fridays.
- Meat Raffles on Sundays starting at 3pm.

Mike Byrne – Gambling Manager

Scouts Troop 31 Proudly sponsored by Rosetown Post 542

The Scout troop had a busy fall with various camping trips, activities, and meetings at the Legion. We currently have 20 youth in the troop, which is great. We are working on restarting the Cub Scout pack.

The big news is we have a new Scoutmaster, Charlie Metzig. Charlie currently has three boys in the troop and led the Philmont High Adventure trip this summer.

Thanks, Wynn

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

You can follow our adventures on Facebook at <u>https://www.facebook.com/ScoutsBSATroop9031</u>

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: <u>www.legion.org/renew</u> Auxiliary members: <u>www.legion-aux.org/renew</u> SAL members: online available soon.

Membership team:

Post: Jeffrey Proud 612-770-3019 Dues \$44 Auxiliary: Sue Sinsioco 630-229-9883 Dues \$30 SAL: Steve Pennig 612-308-5887 Dues \$25

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

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