

American Legion

March/April
2024

Post #200 Newsletter

From The Commander

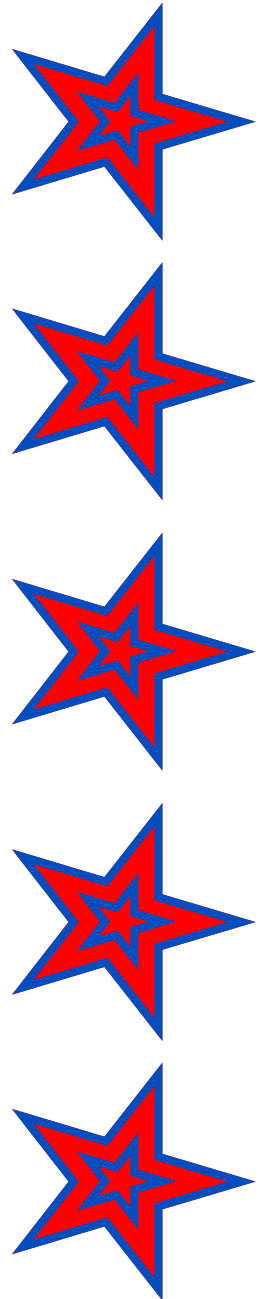
The new year has brought new challenges. To my dismay, we have had some financial obstacles. I want to thank the membership and the Executive Committee for working with me on pricing and hours of Operation. It takes a good bit of time and energy to make necessary changes. The past 2 months has made a difference in our bottom line and I hope to continue this hard work throughout 2024.

I invite more of you to come visit your Post, see the changes. We have accomplished many things and will continue to do this good work. Participation from volunteers makes my job easier and I very much appreciate the efforts. It's important to remember change is not always easy but we have to continue to work **together** and be respectful of our Mission for the American Legion.

Our new Bar Manager, Zach Carberry, has been a great asset to the team. He is working hard with our bar staff to improve service, consistency in service, and drinks. Zach has taken over all ordering for bar supplies, liquor and beer. He is attentive, energetic, polite, and dependable. Mary has been cleaning out the stock room, reorganizing and taking control of inventory for our kitchen. All of these efforts have proved to be beneficial to our finances. Just to name a few new or improved items:

- Auto defrost glass chiller for the bar
- Cleaned out the liquor room and installed a new light and ceiling to cover the falling insulation
- Walk-in refrigeration has been sanitized, floors bleached, and racks cleaned
- New, used office furniture, cleaned out cabinets, files, reorganized to help us find things & new chairs for meeting room
- Bar island, custom build and installed by Dan Malone
- We have 2 Eagle Scouts that will be making some improvements for the SAL room and grounds between the pavilions—No cost to us, Can't wait to see it finished!
- Trying to keep SAL room as a meeting area, please put things away if you are in this space
- Established 30 day billing with our vendors so we can better watch spending
- Installed smoke detectors-we only had heat sensors
- Requested quotes and reassigned insurance policies to reduce costs

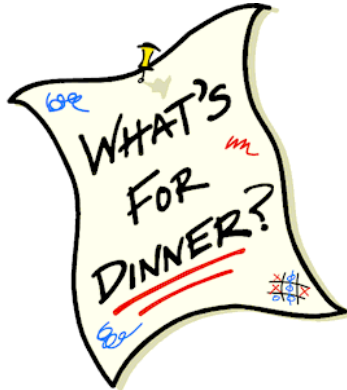
There are still many things left to be accomplished. I feel like we are in a good place and it's becoming easier to keep on track. 2024-2025 will take work too, lets keep moving forward and making Our Hampstead Legion a gem in the county. Your participation at events and at the lounge are vital to our success. Most of you know we lost our comrade, Jim Brown, in February. Jim loved his post and never stopped volunteering. Think about what you can do for your Post, step up, raise your hand. We need you too!



American Legion Friday Night Dinners

March 2024

1st: Cod Fish Cakes; Green Beans; Coleslaw; Roll; Dessert
8th: Fish Tacos (2)
15th: Tuna Melts w/Fries
22nd: Baked Fish and Veggies
29th: Good Friday Fundraiser
Aux Bake & Lunch Sale
9a-3p



April 2024

5th: Meatloaf & Mashed Potatoes
12th: Stuffed Chicken and Veggie
19th: Ham and Pineapple Casserole
26th: Pork Chops; Onion gravy and veggie

American Legion Events

March 2024

Saturday 3/2: 7p-DJ Rob Johnson; Open to members and guests 9a-3p
Monday 3/4: 7p-Monthly Meetings (Legion, SAL, Aux)
Wednesday 3/6: 7:30p Queen of Hearts Drawing
Wednesday 3/13: 7p-Riders Meeting; 7:30p-Queen of Hearts Drawing
Saturday 3/16: 7p-Nashville Musician, Katelyn Christine; \$5 donation at the door
Sunday 3/17: 1p St. Patricks Day Lunch—Corned Beef, Cabbage, Potatoes, and Sauerkraut; 1p-DJ Magic Mike; Aux-Western MD District 8 Mtg at Carroll Post 31
Wednesday 3/27: 7:30p-Queen of Hearts Drawing
Friday 3/29: Fundraiser Aux Bake Sale; 1p Egg Hunt (5 groups up to 12 years old); Easter Bunny Visit; Open to Community





April 2024

Monday 4/1: 7p-Monthly Meetings (Legion, SAL, Aux)
Saturday 4/6: Dedication to Mary Jane Wickline for Placement of plaque at Memorial Bench (Time TBD)
Wednesday 4/10: 7p- Riders Meeting; 7:30p Queen of Hearts Drawing
Wednesday 4/17: 7p-Riders Meeting; 7:30p-Queen of Hearts Drawing
Wednesday 4/24: 7:30p-Queen of Hearts Drawing
Saturday 4/27: 1p-4p Oyster Feed in the Pavilion; Tickets \$60; Visit Legion Facebook page for full menu and event info.—AUX Western District 7 & 8 Reception at Boonsboro

MARCH 2024

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17 St. Patricks Day 1p-4p Lunch: Corned Beef; Cabbage; Potatoes; and Sauerkraut 1p-5p: Entertainment: DJ Magic Mike AUX: Western MD District 8 Mtg at Carroll Post 31	18	19	20 7:30p: Queen of Hearts Drawing	21	22 5p: Friday Night Dinner	23
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