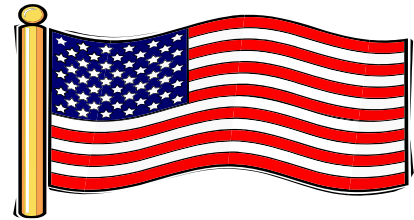


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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Greetings,

Dues! Dues! Still have a few members that have not paid their dues. We ask you to get this paid soon.

Rachel Smith from Veterans Board of Clinton County, who is working with Holley Clark on a Veteran 2 Veteran Assistance Program, visited our post meeting to explain what this program is about. She will be getting us more info soon. Funding for this project will come from property taxes.

1000 served at the Pork Dinner; down from last March about 150 dinners. There were about 45 people that did not make their shift. The Legion thanks Lelette & Angie for putting out flyers on vehicles at all churches in the area, a donation was made for their expenses.

New metal on the storage shed has been installed. Thanks to Bob O. and Ivan Markus for their work. Thanks to Red Detmer for power washing and re-sealing the concrete on the west end of hall and by the generator area. Also, thanks to Vinny B. for stepping up and volunteered to clean the fryers while Rick Wellen is out for a while with medical issues.

Marquee sign was discussed and bids were in for a new sign being totally digital. A motion was made to approve this sign; this will take approximately 6-8 weeks to be completed.

A \$500 donation to Kopff Field Playground was approved.

Albers Fire Protection came in for their yearly cleaning of the hood vent in the kitchen.

A cleaning machine was discussed for the upstairs and other areas to make cleaning the hall easier and quicker.

The Legion is looking for bartenders as we have a few stating they will be quitting. So if anyone is interested, please fill out an application. They can be picked up at the Heroes Pub.

Veterans Day is at Albers this year. If you plan to attend, please let us know so we can find out who wants to ride on the wagon and attend the meal.

Just a reminder the 550 raffle is going on every Wednesday.

Commander Dale Rakers

AUXILIARY NEWS

The Mondt-Lampe Auxiliary meeting was called to order by Pres Mary Peek on Tues, Oct 15.

The Aux Charter was draped for fallen member Marita Strubhart by Pres Mary and Carol M. Peace and eternal rest, Marita. You will be missed by all.

Val H, head Aux cook, 618-304-3701, is still taking names of those who would like to volunteer their time occasionally to help when weddings have special requests. High school kids over 16 will be paid.

Karen Garland reported membership is close to 100% paid up. Good job members and good job Karen.

Thanks to all who made the Pork & Beef dinner a success. The majority of Aux members worked their shift...sure makes the project run smoothly!!

HO! HO! HO! The Holiday Rummage Sale was outstanding. When the doors opened at 10am, it was like a fire sale at Macy's! Christmas music and all the décor put everyone in the Christmas spirit. Thanks to the committee: Kathy B, Debi L, Marcy M, and Lois V, and all the helpers putting it together. So much work, so much fun, so many bargains. Great Job!!

The quilt winner was Sis Ritzheimer, Trenton, and the baby quilt was won by Jim Strubhart, Aviston.

Veterans Day recognition will be held in Albers on Mon, Nov 11. Mass at 9:30am; dinner at 11:30; program at 1pm; parade line up at 2 with parade at 2:30; music by the Buzzards at 4pm. Dale & Karen's patriotic wagon will be there along with give-aways....so hop on!!

It was a real "brain storming meeting". Starting in 2025, one day a month we will be preparing a take out or eat in meal; a Bridal Show/Fair in March; and a Kentucky Derby party May 3. Stay tuned!!!

Dates to remember: Hero's Christmas – Sun, Dec 8; Legion family Christmas party – Mon, Dec 16.What did the Thanksgiving turkey say to the Christmas ham? Nice to meat you.

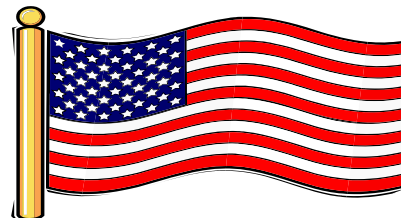
....What sound does a limping turkey make? Wobble, wobble! Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Next meeting Tues, Nov 19, 7pm.

Barb H Aux Rpt

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SONS OF AMERICAN LEGION (SAL) SQUADRON 1239 NOTES AND HAPPENINGS

The regular meeting of the Aviston S.A.L. Squadron 1239 was called to order at 7:30 PM at the Aviston Legion on 10/08/24 by Commander Greg Riechman, with 39 members present.

A moment of silence was held in memory of SAL mothers Marilyn J. Burton and Marita Bertille Strubhart. Our condolences to Kevin Burton and Jerry Strubhart and their families.

Many thanks to everyone that worked their shift for the Annual Fall Pork Sausage & Roast Beef Dinner.

The Veterans Day Parade will be held in Albers on November 11th at 2:30 PM (line-up @2 PM).

The winner of the Annual Mike Koch Drawing will be drawn at the November meeting. Thank you to Adam Davinroy and Blake Feldmann for co-chairing!

Please mark your calendars, as SAL assistance will be needed for the following upcoming event:

- "A Heroes Christmas: Military Tribute & Christmas Sing-A-Long" (Sunday, December 8th @6 PM)

Our SAL continues to sponsor the "Aviston Kopff Park Playground Raffle" for a Polaris 570 Ranger; winner to be drawn on Christmas Eve (please see Rocky Rakers, Dean "Hash" Horstmann or Jake Richter for tickets).

Sick Call: Rick Wellen.

Hash's cash: Dan Pickett picked the eight of clubs.

Next Fish Fry: **Greg Riechman's** Crew on November 15th.

Next Meeting: November 12th @7:30 PM at the Legion.

Cmdr: Greg Riechman

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Fish Fry – AUX

Auxiliary Blood Drive

General Election

Gun Club Meeting

Fish Fry – Legion

SAL Meeting – 7:30

Republican Party Meeting

Exec Board Meeting – 7:00 PM

Fish Fry – SAL

Mueller Family Christmas

Legion Meeting – 7:00 PM

Auxiliary Meeting – 7:00 PM

K of C Meeting

Fish Fry – K of C

Koch Family Holiday Party

Fish Fry – 5th Friday – Cancelled Thanksgiving weekend

Fri Nov 1

Mon Nov 4

Tues Nov 5

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Fri Nov 8

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Thurs Nov 14

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Fri Nov 15

Sat Nov 16

Mon Nov 18

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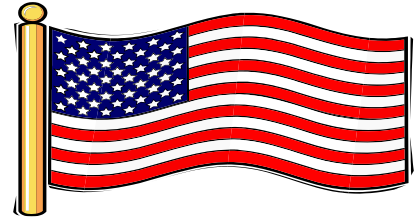
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HEROES PUB HOURS

Tues – Thurs
Fri – Sat
Sunday

6:00 pm - 12:00 am
4:00 pm – 1:00 am
3:00 pm - ???

November US flag flying days
Nov 5 – Election Day
Nov 10 – Marine Corp Birthday
Nov 11 – Veterans Day
Nov 28 – Thanksgiving Day
