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May June 2019 newsletter

Dear Fellow Legionnaires,

As Spring finally arrives, it's time to set aside our heavy coats and get outside. The Girl Scouts (with the help of a few Boy Scouts) weeded and added more soil to the raised beds in the Memorial Garden. Although it's become a lovely vegetable garden, its purpose was to be a place to put a long-lasting plant or bush in memory of a loved one. There's plenty of room to do that. If you wish to honor someone, talk to me or anyone on the E-Board about adding something beautiful to our grounds.

Monday, May 27 is Memorial Day. Please plan on joining us at Crescent Grove Cemetery for our annual ceremony honoring our fallen comrades. It starts at 11:00. Please bring your own chair as there aren't any out there. If you've never been, make this year your first. It's very moving and won't last for hours. I promise. After the ceremony, we all gather back at the Post for a pot luck picnic. Lots of food and fellowship. At the risk of jinxing it, we've had pretty good weather for the last few years so don't use that as your excuse.

Lastly, I'd like to thank all of you for showing your support by electing me Commander for another year. I love being part of such an energetic and generous Post. Let's work together and have another great year.

Barb Davis
Post Commander



From the Adjutant's Desk:

If you've been by The Post lately you've certainly noticed the construction on the grounds near the building. Parts of the concrete on the north and west sides were beginning to buckle and fail due to water damage caused by erosion. Dale Nichols and his crew (Audie Cearley and Scott Rees) have repaired this by filling the eroded spaces under the concrete. They are currently installing drainage that will take the water away from the building and eliminate future damage. A big thanks is due as their work has saved The Post thousand of dollars in repairs. Thank you Dale, Audie, and Scott!



It's spring gardening time! Loune Smith and a group of Girl Scouts have weeded and put new soil in the garden boxes on the south side of the building. The same crew will begin planting within the next couple of weeks. Last year we had a bounty crop of tomatoes and an assortment of vegetables from the garden. Contact Lee Hughes if you'd like to help. Thank you Loune Smith and your Girl Scout workers!

We're ordering caps and jackets: \$55.00 for Tigard Post 158 jackets and \$42.95 for American Legion uniform caps. Drop a note in the Adjutant's box if you'd like to order. Show your Legion colors!

SAL NEWS

The attendance at the SAL meetings is improving but more members are welcome to attend. The more members that are at the meeting the more ideas can be discussed. The squadron is still wanting e-mail addresses so members can be notified of meetings and events. Please send your address to: Greg Knight at knightframe@gmail.com. Be sure to mention you are a SAL member. THANKS!

The May SAL dinner is Penne Pasta w/homemade meatballs-garlic bread and salad. The June dinner is Teriyaki Chicken. Help is always welcome on the dinners.

The Squadron is still short on members for our department goal. If you have not paid your dues for 2019, PLEASE do so soon it will be appreciated

Bernie Healy, Adjutant



Flag Day - June 14

Join us at the Post for a BBQ dinner at 7:00 followed by a flag disposal ceremony at 8:00. All members and visitors are welcome and invited to attend this memorable event.

The American Legion Riders

will be hosting a celebration honoring

Post 158 WWII and Korean Veterans

We are looking for all eligible Post 158 veterans that fall into that category.

Please email to: oregonalr158@gmail.com or call Jeff, the Director of the ALR, at 971-808-8340.

Send us your information so we can personally reach out to each person once it gets closer to that date.



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Calling all volunteers to help us put up flags for Memorial Day Weekend

May 25th - 9:30 am

Join us at the Post at 9:30 and give us a hand putting up the flags at Crescent Grove Cemetery as well as Main Street through Tigard. The coffee will be on! Thanks! Dean Johnston



ALR would like to thank everyone that came out to support our Chicken Béarnaise Dinner in March.

Please mark your calendars as the ALR will be hosting another dinner on June 29th. See flyers at post for meal.

A note from The Preservation Task Force

We had a successful first meeting of the post's Preservation Task Force. I would like to thank all who attended and will be continuing to help make the post thrive again. All are welcome to attend any meetings to see what we are planning, offer support, and add suggestions. Meetings will be the first Thursday of every month 6:30-7:30 in Fisher Hall. Thank you again and I look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

Angela Stanfield
Preservation Task Force

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.*

Take up our quarrel with the foe:

*To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.*

Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae

President

Nora Pirrie

MAY NEWS

A big thank you to Renay Radley for the great April 13th dinner. The Chicken Marsala was so good.....Her volunteer crew were: Georganne Dorr, Ruthie Hopkins, Sharon Peterson, Julie Schnetzky, Nora Pirrie, Connie Dunne, Curtis Sattler, who showed so much patience dealing with all us....Thank you Curtis!!! We appreciate all your donations and hard work to make this dinner a success.

We had a great turn out of Legion and Auxiliary members to help stuff poppies into the mailing envelopes. We were done in record time and then had a very good Chicken Fried Steak lunch up stairs. Thank you Jim Waggoner!! We will let you know when its time to put the poppy envelopes into the Newsletter to mail.

Elections will be held at our May meeting which will be Tuesday, May 14th at 7pm downstairs in Fisher Hall. You are all welcome...

Note . . .

Our Beautiful "Avenue of Flags" will cover Cresnet Grove Cemetery for the Memorial Day ceremony on Monday, May 27th. There will be a potluck afterwards at the Tigard Post and everyone is welcome. Bring your favorite dish to go along with Hot dogs and Hamburgers.

Welcome to all our new members and thank you for joining our American Legion Auxiliary. A planning meeting is scheduled for the middle of July to prepare for the coming year in the fall. Everyone is welcome to share your thoughts and ideas for our future meetings and projects. The date will be announced later on.

Our General meetings are now in recess until Fall with the first meeting to be the Second Tuesday, September 10th at 7pm Fisher Hall, downstairs.

JUNE NEWS

Our Oregon State Convention will be held this year in Astoria, Oregon from June 26th to the 29th. It is the 100 year Anniversary of the American Legion.

Delegates and Delegates at large will be elected at this meeting. Don't be alarmed if your name shows up on the list, alternates are not required to attend the convention, but we do need to let Department know that we do have alternates.

My thanks to all of our members that came and helped to put the Poppy envelopes into the Newsletter for the Poppy Fund.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nora Pirrie, Tigard Unit 158
President

1st Vice President

Nancy Scott

Hello Ladies,

As I write this in mid-April, we have 250 paid-up members for 91.24% of our 2019 goal. We need only another 24 new or renewing members to pay their dues to meet our goal.

At our May meeting we will be recognizing members that have earned longevity awards. Please check your membership card's "Member Since" date. If it ends in a 4 or a 9, please be sure to attend the May meeting so that we can personally award and applaud your continuing membership and support of the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary. Several members will be receiving 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30-year awards. We also have one each that have earned 35, 40, 50 and even 55-year honors. Even if you won't be receiving a longevity award, be sure to attend the meeting so that you can honor those who will be receiving awards AND find out the name of our 55-year award recipient.



Of course, attending the May meeting also means that you can vote for next year's Auxiliary officers.

I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, May 14.

Nancy Scott
1st Vice President



Donations for Military Care Packages

A donation box has been placed at the Post to donate items for care packages that will be mailed to our active Military men and women wherever they are stationed. Camp Courage, a local nonprofit organization, packs and mails the boxes. Started in 2012, Camp Courage now has 10 volunteers, and has shipped over 2,700 packages worldwide.

Items to donate include: Hygiene, stationary, snacks and entertainment items. A suggested list of items to donate is on the donation box at the Post.

Do you know an active military member who could use a care package? Contact Camp Courage at: www.campcourage.biz Facebook pages: CAMP COURAGE - USMC MOMS, CAMP COURAGE - SUPPORT or via email at: campcouragemarines@yahoo.com

Our Post contact is Brenda Bjorndal (503) 419-7292.
Brenda is an Auxiliary member and a Camp Courage Volunteer.



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May 2	6:30-7:30	Preservation Task Force
May 7	7:00	E-Board Meeting
May 12	9 to 1	Mother's Day Brunch
May 14	7:00	General & Auxiliary Meetings
May 23	7:00	Legion Riders Meeting
May 25	9:30	Putting up Flags at Cemetery
May 27	11.00	Memorial Day - Crescent Grove Ceremony & Picnic to follow
May 28	5:30	SAL Meeting

June 4	7:00	E-Board Meeting
June 6	6:30-7:30	Preservation Task Force
June 14	7:00	Flag Day BBQ Dinner followed by Flag Disposal Ceremony
June 16		Father's Day Brunch
June 20	7:00	Legion Riders Meeting
June 25	5:30	SAL Meeting
June 29	6:00-8:00	ALR Dinner



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Karen Walker
Auxiliary Chaplain

As Auxiliary Chaplain, please let me know if you need any Get Well or Sympathy cards sent to our members. You can send me an e-mail at: karenrw@comcast.net or call 503 639-7339



Harry Thomas
Legion Chaplain

I can be reached by calling the Post at 503.624.2332