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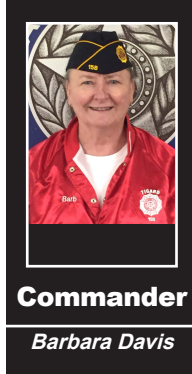
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Dear Legionnaires,

We made it through another hot summer and into a beautiful fall. Winter must be just around the corner but not quite yet. The trees are all turning colors and there is autumn in the air with crisp mornings and warm afternoons. Fall invites us to gather together with friends and family to remember good times and look forward to more adventures together.



Tigard High will be hosting their annual Veteran's Day celebration on November 9. If you've never been, make it a priority this year. The leadership club does an outstanding job of welcoming all Veterans and are not just willing, but eager, to listen to our stories. During the program, there is always a time when our individual service anthems are played and we stand up when it's our turn. It's the best ever. Look for posters of the particulars as the time approaches. The day will start at 8:15 with continental breakfast. The program begins at 9:30. Call Shari Balcom at 503-431-5400 to RSVP.

Fall also means it's time to start the annual food drive. Once again, Grocery Outlet in King City has graciously allowed us to put a barrel at their store to accept donations. A sign-up sheet for shifts to promote donation will be up shortly. If you can't help by going to the store to ask for donations, there are other ways to help. Take a turn at emptying the barrel. It's good to have it checked at least every other day and the contents removed. Even if you can only do that once, it's a big deal. Talk to Larrie Noble about how you can help.

When it's time to assemble the food boxes, there's always room for one more pair of hands. Several of us have done it for the last few years and have got it down to a science. It's not a long time commitment. Just a couple of hours. And it's fun. Again, talk to Larrie if that's how you can help.

Lastly, this is a time of thanksgiving. I'm constantly aware of the many blessings I've been given. I am deeply grateful for the trust you have put in me as your Commander. Every day I will do my best to continue the legacy of great leadership this Post has enjoyed.

Have a safe and wonderful holiday season,

Barb Davis
Post Commander

Holiday Happenings at the Post . . .

Join us in sharing a culinary treat with our Veterans in honor of, and to

Celebrate Veterans!

We will be having
Hobo Stew on
Sunday, November 11
from 2 pm until gone.
Donations will be gladly
accepted.



Happy Turkey Day!

Thanksgiving Dinner and all the trimmings, plus a selection of your favorite holiday desserts presented by our executive chefs, Jim and Ray. Join us Thanksgiving Day, November 22. The Post will open from noon until 7 pm. The Buffet table will be offered from 2-5pm. Donations will be gladly accepted. Bring your families and come join your friends!

Tired of shopping, cooking and cleaning during the holidays?? Let us do all the work for your

Christmas Dinner.

The Post will open at noon and the buffet will start at 2pm. Your selections will include a choice of turkey or ham, and all the special holiday trimmings including a wonderful selection of desserts.





Christmas Basket Program

The community outreach Christmas program involving ALL MEMBERS of this Post is already in progress. Once or two people cannot handle this program alone. We all need to look at our calendars and our personal schedules and assess when, and how, each of us can assist.

Some of you may not know that Grocery Outlet in King City has been sold. The new owners, Brandon & Rachael, have committed to continuing to support our Veterans programs. They very willingly agreed to allowing us to put our food barrel in the store starting 30 October. They look forward to supporting us and also to meet us as their customers. We will need a volunteer or two

to go by the store every 4 days to pick up the food. If the barrel is full, food will just go into one of the other barrels there and then we do not have enough to fill our food boxes. The food has been stored at the Commander's home.

We will need volunteers for two hour shifts on Dec 1 and 2 and again on Dec 8 and 9. The shifts start at 0900 and finish at 1700 (5pm). There should be 2 people per shift since this is the time to greet shoppers, hand out the information sheet and talk to the community about the various programs offered at the Post. The cash donation jar is also there as some would prefer cash donations rather than to shop for food.

12 December, the morning after the General & Auxiliary meetings, is wrapping day. We will start at 0900 and wrap until finished, with a stop for lunch. Each gift is wrapped for a specific child in a specific family. Wrappers re needed as well as help facilitating and verifying the right gift goes to the right child, in the right family.

17 December we will assemble and fill the food boxes. That usually takes us 2 days to fill all the boxes, depending on the number of folks we have helping.

20 December is one of the busiest days. We will need volunteers to go to the Grocery Outlet with vehicles to pick up food for the boxes, the Knoll and the Watershed (the 2 low income housing units for Veterans). We will be filling the boxes rapidly as the Local 49 folks will be here in the afternoon to pick up their 25 boxes. We will deliver the Knoll and Watershed boxes that morning as well. THIS IS THE DAY WE REALLY NEED VOLUNTEERS WHO ARE ABLE TO LIFT THE PURCHASED FOOD FROM GROCERY OUTLET INTO VEHICLES AND BRING IT INTO FISHER HALL. THIS IS A VERY BUSY DAY AND WE REALLY NEED LOTS OF HELP, ESPECIALLY ON THIS DAY!!

22 December is the day we welcome families to pick up their boxes. We start at 0700. Families start arriving at 0800 and we usually finish by 1400 (2pm). We have very few boxes that we will deliver and will be short at least 2 of our usual delivery folks this year.

We have not heard if we have been accepted by the KGW toy drive. If we are, the Auxiliary has a special wrapping night and we will put those toys together with what has been purchased.

This is a Post program and we do need help!! Please see me if you have specific questions and to tell me when you want to volunteer!!

Many thanks,
Larrie Noble



SAL NEWS - We are requesting all SAL members to send your email address to: knightframe@gmail.com. We are trying to make a list of members so you can be notified when we are having a function or meeting. Remember, the SAL Meeting is the last Tuesday of the month at 5:30.

New Year's Eve Fun & Celebration

Come to your Post on New Years Eve and bring your friends, your sweetie, your partner, or whomever you wish. It is time to sing, dance, enjoy dinner and celebrate on this last day of the year.

The BONEHEADS will provide live music. We all know they are a great band and play almost anything you would like to hear. They do 50's, 60's, 70's and requests. There will also be a DJ providing the countdown music so you can watch and wait for the "ball" to drop to ring in the New Year.

The evening begins with a delicious Prime Rib dinner from 7-9 and a very special dessert. There will also be surprises,

prizes and fun for all who attend! We all know how great the Prime Rib dinner is here at the Post.

Come enjoy your Post and the camaraderie with your friends and family. The Post will be decked out with outstanding decorations created by our own in house special decorator that will contribute to the celebratory and party theme!!!!

If you party hearty and do not feel comfortable driving home there will transportation provided. We will be sure you get home safely!! Come and ring in the New Year with all of us at the Post.



President

Nora Pirrie

NOVEMBER

A big thank you to Brenda Sherlock and all the ladies that help make our "Octoberfest" dinner a successful fund

raiser to help support sending Girls to State next June. Steve Knapke kept feet tapping with his accordion playing polkas and all the appropriate music to make it a festive evening. Thank you Steve!!!

Please watch for the announcement for our annual Thanksgiving dinner here at the Post on Thanksgiving Day.

The Portland VA Hospital Gift Shop will be opening the Saturday after Thanksgiving on November 24, 2018 at 10am. Everyone is welcome. This is a great way to start the holiday season. After the ribbon cutting our hospitalized Veterans can shop for gifts for their families and themselves. These are then wrapped and either taken with them or shipped for them.

Tuesday, November 13th is our meeting night at 7pm in Fisher Hall, hope you will join us.

DECEMBER

Our thank you to all of you for your hard work to make our projects this year a success. For all the beautiful afghans that go to the VA Hospital, cooking the monthly dinners, and always ready to volunteer when needed.

Come join us for dinner this month. Georganne Dorr will be our chef. Everyone is welcome.....

We will be working with the Post to help collect food and donations to help fill our Christmas boxes so watch for the sign up lists by the bar. Also we will be wrapping toys for this too and can use your help. Come and enjoy the fun and company and get in the holiday spirit !!!

Our best wishes to you for a very "MERRY CHRISTMAS and a "HAPPY, HEALTHY, and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR"

Our next meeting is December 11th at 7pm in Fisher Hall. Our first meeting in 2019 will be January 8th at 7pm in Fisher Hall. See you there !!

Respectfully submitted,
Nora Pirrie, Unit 158 President

1st Vice President

Nancy Scott



Hi Ladies,

For the 2018 membership year we have 263 members - 95.985% of our goal of 274. If you didn't pay your 2018 dues and don't want to have to start over for your continuous membership awards, you can still pay dues for 2018. If you do so, please be sure to include a note with your payment to let me know you are paying for 2018.

As I write this in mid-October we are 1 1/2 months into the 2019 dues collection period. So far we have 115 paid up for 2019.

That is 41.97% of our goal of 274 members. If you haven't yet paid your 2019 dues and didn't get a dues notice in the mail from National, just drop your \$35 payment in the box at the Post or mail it to the Post, Attn: Auxiliary. Be sure to let me know your current mailing address, e-mail address and phone number.

Thanks, Nancy Scott

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.

Veterans Program at Tigard High School

Friday November 9, 2018

8:15 am – 9:00 am
Continental Breakfast

Followed by a 9:30 am assembly.

Invitations will be mailed October 15 to Veterans who have previously attended this program. First year Veterans wishing to attend should call Tigard High School 503 431-5400. Leave your name, dates of service (Army, Navy, Etc) with the receptionist or leave a voice mail message.

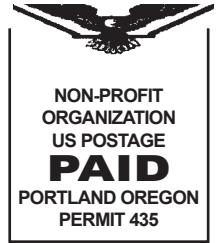
New Parking Information:

Shuttle -Parking at the school is complicated. Park in the SW Church of Christ parking lot at 98th and Durham Road. Leadership Students will shuttle veterans to the school.

Questions - Call Sharon Tichenor 503 684-1316 - American Legion Auxiliary



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NOVEMBER

Nov 6	7:00	E-Board Meeting
Nov 9	8:15	Veterans Program at Tigard High School
Nov 11	2:00	Hobo Stew
Nov 13	7:00	General & Auxiliary Meeting
Nov 15	7:00	Riders Meeting
Nov 22	2 - 5	Thanksgiving Dinner
Nov 27	5:30	SAL Meeting



DECEMBER

Dec 1 & 2	9 - 5	Volunteer for Holiday Food Basket Work
Dec 4	7:00	E-Board Meeting
Dec 11	7:00	General & Auxiliary Meeting
Dec 8 & 9	9 - 5	Volunteer for Holiday Food Basket Work
Dec 20	7:00	Legion Riders Meeting
Dec 25	2:00	Christmas Dinner Buffet
Dec 31	7:00	Prime Rib Dinner & New Year's Party



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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