



THE TIGARD POST

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Dear Legion Family,

As I write this, winter still has its fist around the weather. I look forward to some warm days so I can put in my annual garden. If you don't have garden space at your home, we have a small garden at the post where you can have a plant or two. Talk to Lee, one of your e-board at large. He has been managing it for a couple of years.

We have lots of new members at 158. If you see someone looking a little lost, introduce yourself and ask them to join you. I think we have one of the friendliest posts and would like to maintain that reputation.

Elections will be held in May. Please mark your calendars now for Tuesday, May 14. It's critical that everyone attend. We currently have open positions at 2nd Vice and Historian. If you are interested in ANY post job, please talk to me, Jim Waggoner or Bob Sullivan. Don't forget, if you don't vote, you don't get to complain.

See you at the next general meeting, March 12.

Barb Davis
Post Commander

Special Events at the Post

New on Monday Nights:

Please note the new Monday night menu offerings.

All meals will be served with all the fixings!

St. Patrick's Day - 2pm until gone

Come on down to the Post for Corned Beef & Cabbage with all the trimmings.

Easter Sunday Breakfast

Join us Sunday, March 21 for Champagne Easter Breakfast

Limited menu includes:

Traditional Ham & Eggs

Biscuits & Gravy

Everything Scramble

Chicken Fried

Steak & Eggs



IMPORTANT NOTICE

One April 9, 2019, at the Post regular meeting, proposed changes to Tigard Post 158 Bylaws and Constitution of Tigard Post 158, Department of Oregon will be voted on. This notice is required by Article 9, Section 2 of the Constitution of Tigard Post 158, Department of Oregon, dated January 11, 1994.



Message from the Service Officer

Do you know your basic rights as a Veteran that were promised you upon completing your Active Military service? I have recently had a number of inquiries regarding getting signed up for Veterans Benefits.

The process is painless, but you will be required to provide your DD-214 and identification to prove you

deserve these benefits. Take these items with you to the VA Hospital, enrollment office. Getting there early is in your best interest as they use a first come first served protocol. Take a number and wait for it to be called. The intake offices will handle it from there.

The personnel are respectful and helpful. Best of luck on your road to receiving your benefits.

Welcome home and thank you for your Service.

Steve Disque

Service Officer

Tigard American Legion



Greetings fellow Legionnaires:

As we welcome March and April and the upcoming spring weather, I'm proud and happy to advise you that we're also saying hello and welcome to a number of new Legionnaires who've transferred to our Post. A number of local, and unaffiliated, members of the American Legion have now become members of our beloved Post 158. We're welcoming them with open arms and I know you'll be giving them the warm greeting fellow Legionnaires have earned when you see them coming into our Post.

Marc Cowling, Adjutant



DON'T MISS OUT!
Join us March 30th for
American Legion Riders
famous Bearnaise Chicken
\$10.00 a plate



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 479-692-6041

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

Sons of The American Legion (SAL)

American Legion and Auxiliary members, do you have any male descendants that were not in the military? If so, perhaps they would like to belong to the SAL. The benefits are almost the same as the American Legion.

The dues are only \$30.00 a year and they hold their monthly meeting on the last Tuesday of the month at 5:30.

SAL members host a monthly Saturday night dinner which they always like to have help with.



Current SAL members, if you move, please let the Post know your new address. We would also like to have a current e-mail address as that would help to notify members of upcoming events.

If you have not paid your 2019 dues they are due now, stop by and have a cool one and pay your dues.

Bernie Healy

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME



*Daylight Saving
Time Begins
MARCH 10
Set your clocks
FORWARD 1 hour!*

President**Nora Pirrie****March News. . . .**

Thank you everyone for all the flowers, cards, visits and help I received after I broke my hip. It was a surprise but with the help of a cane I get around very well.

Our Valentines dinner went well even if it was postponed until February 15th due to snow in the weather forecast. The dining room was beautifully decorated and the prime rib was delicious.

Fisher Hall looked beautiful for our Americanism Dinner held on Tuesday,

February 19th. Thank you to Carol Lee Newton and her crew for all their hard work to make this a success. We welcomed two of our Girl State citizens, Michelle Stevens and Kennedy Parish. It is nice to see and hear them tell of their experiences of their week spent learning about how our State government is run. The money we raise with our dinners, raffles, and fund-raisers help us send 6 or more girls each year to Girls State plus we give two \$750.00 scholarships to the Tigard, Tualatin and other schools each year. Thank you all for your support.

We honored our Firefighter and Police Officer of the year with an award.

Mark your calendar for our St. Patrick's Day dinner on March 9th. Please join us for our meeting in Fisher Hall on March 12th at 7pm.

April News 2019. . . .

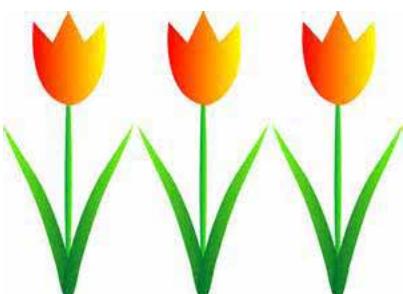
Our elections will be held at our April 9th meeting. Any paid up member can run for office. You may also be nominated from the floor. Delegates and Alternates will be chosen to go to the state convention at this time.

We may be needing volunteers to help stuff envelopes with poppies for our May Poppy Fund drive. The money donated is used exclusively for our Veterans, their families and children so, please be generous...I will post when we will be needing help.

Our meeting will be held in Fisher Hall on April 9th at 7pm.

I am looking forward to seeing you all at the Post!

Respectfully Submitted,
Nora Pirrie
Tigard Unit 158 President

**1st Vice President****Nancy Scott**

Hello Ladies:

As I write this in mid-February, we have 222 paid members for 2019 so far. That puts us at 81.022% of goal. We still have 58 members that paid dues in 2018 that haven't yet paid for 2019. In mid-January I mailed renewal reminders to those members that hadn't yet paid their dues. I have received some back with incorrect addresses. So, If you are reading this, please look around for your 2019 ALA membership card. If you can't find one, please mail in or drop your \$35 in the box at the Post.

I received some complaints from members that paid their dues in late November or December but still received a renewal letter from National in late January. This is because National ran a list the first week of December of those members for whom National had not yet received payment but waited until mid-January to mail out those renewal notices. If you have your 2019 membership card and got one of those renewal notices from National in January, you can ignore it.



In case you didn't realize it: The Legion, the Auxiliary, the SAL, and the Legion Riders are all separate entities, each with their own separate bank accounts. What that means is that you should not write one check to cover members in those separate entities. You can write one check to cover multiple ALA members, but not to cover an ALA member and a SAL member, for example. Please help us to avoid delay, confusion and misplaced money by paying separately to each of the 4 entities.

Thanks for your continued membership in the ALA and be sure to join us at our monthly meetings when you are able. We will be initiating new members and taking nominations for next years' officers at our April meeting. At our May meeting we will present longevity awards (5-year, 10-year, 15-year, etc) and vote for 2019/20 officers.

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.

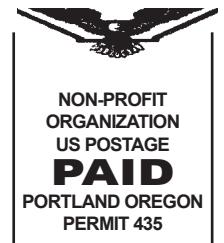
Items to donate include: Hygiene, stationary, snacks and entertainment items. A suggested list of items to donate is on the donation box at the Post.

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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MARCH

March 5	7:00	E-Board Meeting
March 10		Daylight Saving Time Set your clocks AHEAD 1 hour!
March 12	7:00	General & Auxiliary Meetings
March 17	2 til gone	St. Patrick's Day - Corned Beef & Cabbage
March 21		Legion Riders Meeting
March 23	4:00	First Annual Soup Cook-off
March 26	5:30	SAL Meeting
March 30	6:00	Legion Riders famous Chicken Bearnaise Dinner



April 2	7:00	E-Board Meeting
April 6	6:00	Legion Prime Rib Dinner
April 9	7:00	General & Auxiliary Meetings
April 18		Legion Riders Meeting
April 21		Easter Sunday
April 30	5:30	SAL Meeting



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TIGARD POST 158

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