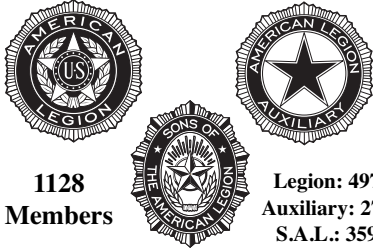


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JUNE MEETING DATES

S.A.L. Meeting June 4 @ 7:00 p.m.
Auxiliary Meeting June 11 @ 7:00 p.m.
Legion Meeting June 12 @ 7:00 p.m.
Legion Riders June 24 @ 11:30 a.m.
Boy Scouts Every Tuesday @ 7:00 p.m.

FROM THE COMMANDER . . .

What an incredible month May has been for our Post! Our incredible volunteers have worked tirelessly to bring together some amazing events to Post 179. Perhaps you even saw our Post featured on the news again?

The Veteran's Job Fair was a joint event with our friends with The Student Veterans of America. We helped local employers connect with our members and community who are looking for a new job.

The Veteran's Benefits Fair was one of the busiest days at the Post this year as we connected Veterans and their families with organizations that provide assistance and benefits.

Our Community Breakfast invited the public to our Post for a delicious breakfast!

Memorial Day Ceremony – A HUGE thank-you goes out to Melissa Wright for helping to coordinate our ceremony.

Your fellow members of the Legion, S.A.L., Auxiliary and Riders have shown our community what our Post is all about.

These members have responded to the Commander's Challenge I issued in February.

My challenge to every member of Post 179 in 2018 is to volunteer for at least one thing. I'm asking each and every one of you to find a role within the Post, or a project, or a cause that you find meaningful and be the champion of that.

What will you volunteer for this year?

We have upcoming opportunities this summer that include-

- Summer Fireworks Tent
- Post Picnic
- Beer, Bands & BBQ tent

Please talk to me or Jena about how you can help your Post!

Scott Mullarkey, Commander, Post 179

FROM THE AUXILIARY PRESIDENT . . .

Hello Everyone:

Please join us for our next meeting on Monday, June 11, as it is our annual Auxiliary Potluck with a very short meeting. Social Hour is at 6:00 p.m. with a short meeting at 6:30 p.m. and dinner to follow. Please bring a dish to pass and enjoy a fun time with us!

The American Legion 5th District is hosting a Hotdog Roast at the GR Home For Veterans on June 2. If you would like to help this wonderful day, they really need volunteers to help push the residents out to the pavilion and to return them to their floor after they eat. If you can help, please be there at 10:00 a.m.

The carnival at the GR Home For Veterans is on Saturday July 28. This really is a fun day and they really need a lot of volunteers to help push residents around the carnival. If you would like to help, please arrive at 10:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 616-723-2398.

Well, this is my last article to write as President of this amazing unit. I would like to thank you from the bottom of my heart for this wonderful two years of serving you. It truly was an honor.

Debbie Weatherbee, President, Auxiliary Unit 179

E-MAILING YOUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:

Please send your e-mail address to news179@aol.com if you would like to have Post 179 "Fonger's Highlighter" e-mailed to you instead of mailed. Remember to inform us if you change your e-mail address. We also need a change of address if you are receiving the newsletter by mail.

Editor

POST 179 PICNIC . . .

As we approach the annual picnic, think of raffle items! If you would like a donation form for your theme basket please see either Kris or Melissa in the Clubroom. The Picnic will be held on August 18.



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JUNE 2018 CALENDAR DAILY SPECIALS

Sunday: \$5 Meal Deal: Meal of the day with 1 Well Drink or 12 oz. Can of Beer

Sunday, June 10: Grand Rapids Reptile Show 10 a.m.-3 p.m., \$5 Adults, \$1 Children

Monday Madness: 16 oz. Beer \$2.25 / Jumbo Hot Dogs or Polish Dogs \$1.50 / Free Shuffleboard

Taco Tuesday: Free Pool / \$1.50 Margaritas / Hard or Soft Tacos \$2.00 / Small Burrito \$5.50 / Large Burrito \$6.50 / Bingo, 10:30 a.m.

Well Wednesday: \$2.00 Well Drinks / Chicken Teriyaki Sandwich \$4.00 / **Karaoke 6-10 p.m.**

Thirsty Thursday: \$1.00 Drafts (Excludes Tap A & B)

Red Shirt Friday: Chicken Strips with Fries \$5.00 / Red Shirt Day - 25¢ off all drinks when wearing a red shirt to support our troops / Bingo, 10:30 a.m.

Friday, June 8: Bike Night

Saturday, June 2: Veterans Memorial Run

Saturday, June 16: Coin Show, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

HAPPY HOUR 3-6 P.M. MONDAY-FRIDAY!

Happy Hour is real time, not bar time

\$5.00 Pitchers / **\$2.00** Well Shot & Pop /

\$2.00 Glass of Wine / **\$2.00** 16 oz. Miller Lite, 16 oz. Coors, 16 oz. Coors Light, 16 oz. Bud & 16 oz. Bud Light



2018-2019 LEGION OFFICERS . . .

Election and installation of Legion Officers for 2018-2019 took place on Tuesday, May 8, 2018.

The following Legionnaires have been elected:

Commander: Scott Mullarkey

1st Vice Commander: Jesus Sanabria

2nd Vice Commander: Jim Hause

Finance Officer: Scott Mullarkey

Adjutant: Jena Wilmers

Judge Advocate: Jerry Costen

Chaplain: Jesus Sanabria

Historian: OPEN

Sergeant at Arms: Randy Wierenga

Service Officer: Jim Hause

Executive Committee: Tom Mullaney, Jerry Costen, Bill Greiner

Clubroom Committee: Glenn Dys, Brian Beatty, Marene VanFarowe

Building Committee: Milt Teunis, Ron Wind, Bill Greiner

PLAY BINGO

*Please come to the Post to play Bingo
TUESDAY & FRIDAY MORNINGS*

Sales start at 9:30 • Play starts at 10:30

Proceeds are used to help Veterans

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FROM THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION COMMANDER . . .

Please welcome the new S.A.L. officers for the 2018/2019 year.

Commander:	Bruce "Bones" Postma
1st Vice:	Roger Meyers
2nd Vice:	Terry McDonald
3rd Vice:	Jacob Brunner
Adjutant:	Evan Icaboni
Finance Officer:	Mike Lemson
Chaplain:	Leland Berman-Wright
Sergeant-at-Arms:	Chad Wright
Judge Advocate:	Jerry Elya
Historian:	Open
Executive Officer:	Dennis Brunner
Executive Officer:	Bill Willey
S.A.L. Liaison:	Jesus Sanabria

Looking forward to working with these individuals for the coming year in support of the Post.

Let's not forget to come out and support the Legion Riders ride event being held on June 2, 2018 at the Post.

The Post needs a few volunteers for the July 3 event being held in downtown Grandville for the adult beverage tent area. Please ask your bartender for the sign-up book that will be behind the bar for signing up for the volunteer times.

Remember that the S.A.L. meetings are held the First Monday of the month at 7:00 P.M. and our next meeting will be Monday, June 4, 2018. The July meeting will be Monday, July 2, 2018.

Bruce "Bones" Postma,

S.A.L. Commander, Squadron 179

CLUBROOM HOURS: Sunday: Noon to 7:00 p.m.
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: Noon to 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday: Noon to 11:00 p.m.
Friday & Saturday: Noon to 11:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE:

July 4 – Car & Bike Show, 12-4 p.m.

July 8 – Reptile Show

July 14 – Coin Show

July 14 - Commander Take Over fundraiser
for Johnson-Brower Foundation

August 18 – Post Picnic

November 10 – Marine Corps Birthday Gala