

# American Legion Post 6



## June Events

June 2	Hamburger/Hotdog/Bingo	6 PM
June 5	Post E-board	6 PM
June 8	Music Friday	7-10 PM
June 11	Money Monday	7-9 PM
June 12	Potluck	6:30 PM Sharp
	Meetings	7:30PM
June 16	Flag Disposal Ceremony	11 AM
June 27-30	Department Convention (Florence)	

## Hillsboro Post 6 Directory

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## Commander's Message

Each member counts as #1. Thank you for your participation at Post 6. This last year has seen improvements in the Post and our members. This summer there will be American Legion College courses offered. This training teaches more about the Legion and participating in our outreach to our fellow vets and families. Time and place will be announced (On Post web page or Facebook).



The theme for this month is "Do Something New"!

We have many new members this year. Come to our Hamburger/Hot Dog/Bingo Nite this June 2 and get a free meal on me. Festivities begin at 6 PM.

Next Post activity is the Flag Disposal ceremony on June 16 at 1100 AM. This is a ceremony to retire no longer usable flags. Come out and watch the ceremony!

The Hillsboro 4th of July Parade will be on July 4th this year. There will be free Hot Dogs at the Post after the parade. More details will be forthcoming in the July/August newsletter.

*Bob Gnos- Commander*

## Chaplains Corner

I am writing this on a simply glorious day. The sun has been shining all day long. It is the best of Spring in Oregon and Summer is just around the corner! I am so looking forward to summer this year. It's a wonderful time of year when the days are longer and we have more time to do the things we enjoy doing.



Your American Legion Post here in Hillsboro has some events planned for the Summer some of which you may want to participate in. At the end of May we'll be participating in a couple of Memorial Day ceremonies and conducting one ourselves at Pioneer Cemetery in Hillsboro. We will also be marching in the Hillsboro 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade. And as usual, we will be selling roasted corn at the Garlic Festival in North Plains in August.

May I invite all of you to come and join us in any or all of these activities. This is your Post and we want and need your support. Enjoy your Summer

Blessings, Lynn

P.S. please contact me if you become aware of any illness or the passing of a member of our Post. My phone number is listed on this newsletter and if I don't answer right away, please leave a message. I promise I will respond. Thank you.

*Lynn Hamm-Chaplain*

## POST MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Even though we are well over 100% of our goal, the membership year is not over. We have sent several reminders out to those of you who have not yet renewed for 2018. Some of you are new and some of you have been with us for many years. If there is a reason you have not renewed, we can't fix it if we do not know why you have not renewed.

The American Legion is struggling to maintain membership even though they receive thousands of new members each year, we are losing more than we gain. We can't keep up our programs if we can't keep up our membership. Post #6 is growing but The Legion is losing 50,000 members a year. Let's stop the slide, start chugging up hill and get back to that 3 million strong we use to be. We can only do this one member at a time. You should be getting you 2019 renewal notices in the mail around July 1<sup>st</sup>. Let's get them paid and out of the way.

Thank you for your continued support of The American Legion and Post #6.

*Rob Liebenow—Membership Chair*

### Oregon Legion College

Summer is just around the corner and as we take a break from our Post duties to enjoy the weather and prepare for the coming Legion year, we have an opportunity to advance our knowledge of The American Legion organization. The Oregon Legion College is scheduled for July 20-22. The location is yet to be determined but this is a very worth while activity. All officers of the Post, including anyone who may be considering holding office, should attend this program. The agenda covers many aspects of Post business, finance, legal issues, public relations, programs, membership and a comprehensive view of The American Legion organization and history. I attended this course two years ago when it was held at the Canby Post and I can attest to its value. Please consider attending if you can. For more information, including this years OLC location, go to [www.orlegion.org/oregon-legion-college.html](http://www.orlegion.org/oregon-legion-college.html)

Enjoy your summer!

*David Bogner—Adjutant*

#### Post 6 Officers 2017-2018

- Commander: Bob Gnos
- Vice Commander: Tim Pierce
- Adjutant: David Bogner
- Post Finance Officer: Bill Helmkamp
- Chaplain: Lynn Hamm
- Sergeant-at-Arms: Sheryl Loberger
- E-Board (1 year term): Doug Lund
- E-Board (2 year term): Paul Bedard
- E-Board (3 year term): Mike Marusa

#### Unit 6 Officers 2017-2018

- President - Debra Ashe
- Vice President -Carol Stoeckel
- Treasurer - Linda Liebenow
- Secretary - Joanne Ostlund



## THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY NATIONAL POPPY DAY®

**Honor the fallen. Support the living.**

The tradition of wearing a poppy dates back to 1920, when it became the memorial flower of The American Legion Family.

The red poppy came to symbolize the blood shed by those who fought and those who continue to fight for our country following World War I. It was popularized by the publication of the wartime poem *In Flanders Fields*. Written by Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, M.D. while serving on the front lines in World War I, the poem honors soldiers killed in battle.

The American Legion led the charge of having Congress designate the Friday before Memorial Day as National Poppy Day®, a tradition found in many countries around the world. National Poppy Day® encourages all Americans to wear a red poppy to honor the fallen and support the living heroes who have worn our nation's uniform.

On May 25, join us by wearing a red poppy to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice and support the future of veterans and their families for generations to come.



**Honoring the fallen since 1920.**

Editor's Note: This came too late for the May newsletter but I thought it should be shared regardless.

*Mike Marusa-Editor*

### Izzy's Special Offer

Attention All Veterans!

Get \$1.00 off lunch at the Hillsboro location on 10th and TV Highway on Wednesdays between noon and 1:00 PM. Ask for the "Bob" discount through June. This offer is compliments of Izzy's and American Legion Post 6.

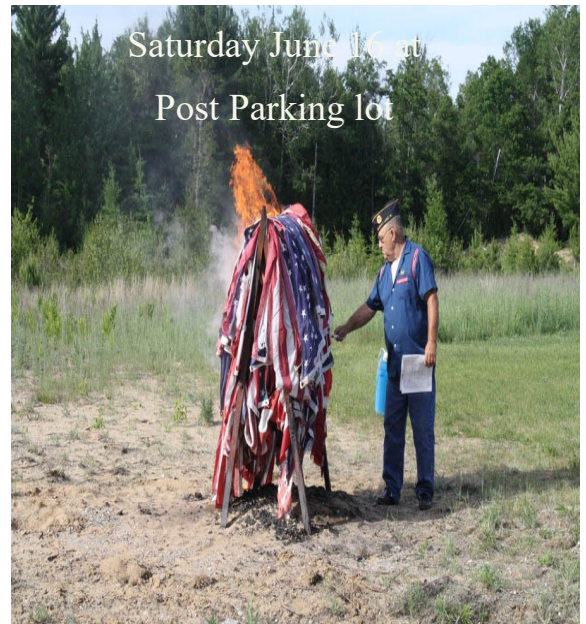
*Bob Gnos*





District One Officer panel at District  
Caucus May 19, 2012.

## Flag Disposal Ceremony



Saturday June 11, 2011  
Post Parking lot

Auxiliary President Debbie Ashe and  
Commander Bob Gnos present Hillsboro  
Mayor with poppies at City Council meet-  
ing 5/1/2018.



## Money Monday-Investing

If you are interested in investing, our American Legion Post is starting a monthly program on investing. We will meet on the Monday before our Tuesday meeting at the Post at 7 PM. We WILL meet during the summer. In the future, we will discuss, educate and research anything and everything you want to know about investing.

In June we will demonstrate the power of online computer research and investing with live screening of any and all Stocks and Mutual Funds with Charles Schwab's online tools. If you want an independent and FREE view on your stocks and / or mutual funds come to the meeting and see for yourself the power and information you have as an individual.

Investing can be fun and rewarding. The goal is to teach veterans and their families how to invest and give them the tools to be successful. Whether we start "wargaming" ideas ... show you how you are doing .... or better yet show YOU how to be better ... it will be a great hour or two for everyone.

*Doug Lund-E board member*



## Auxiliary News



Our Unit is looking forward to the last few months of our Auxiliary year. We had our elections in April and our officers are the same group of members that we have for the 2017-2018 year. That means that I will again be the President for 2018-2019 year.

Our Poppy Program has started out with a bang. I believe that because a Post member was with our Auxiliary member, we were able to bring in a lot more Donations. We will continue to do our Donation Table at the Walmart in Hillsboro on Sunday, May 20 and on Saturday, May 26.

On May 1st I gave a presentation to the Mayor of Hillsboro of his own Poppy at the City Council Meeting. He gave us a Proclamation for May being Poppy Month in the City of Hillsboro. After that we collected donations from the other members of the Hillsboro City Council.

On Monday, May 27, our unit will help in the participation of the Memorial Day Presentation at the Pioneer Cemetery in Hillsboro. The Scouts that are sponsored by our Post will put out the Memorial flags on the Friday before and we will be serving them a light meal after they put out the flags at the Post Hall.

Our Hot Dog/Hamburger/Bingo nights have been so much fun on the first Saturday of the month. You are all welcomed because the more the merrier.

Some of the activities that are planned in the summer are participation in the Hillsboro July 4th parade and also participation in the Garlic Festival in August.

Convention is around the corner. Please join us at Florence in June for a great time of fun and learning.

Please contact me if you have any question or comments concerning your Auxiliary. Until next month,

*Debbie Ashe - Auxiliary President and Poppy Chair*



Poppy Distribution at WalMart

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## Meeting

## Drawing

Sheryl Loberger won the \$60.00 drawing by simply attending the April Post Mtg., Come see what's up with your Post and maybe you will be the next \$60.00 winner!



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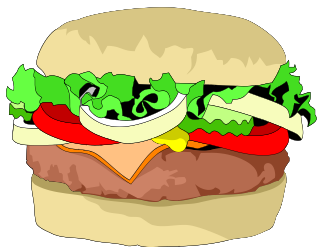
## Post 6 Web site

<http://hillsboropost6.org/>

If any member has pictures or insights into Post 6 history, please send forward them to me. We will include them on the website!

Check the website for Post event information, contact info, volunteer opportunities, and any info you might need to enhance your American Legion knowledge.

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Burgers and dogs \$2.50

Hamburger/Hot Dog/Bingo

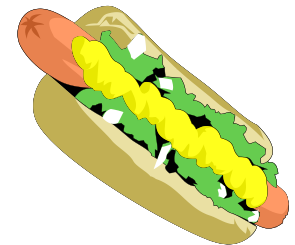
Saturday Night

June 2, 2017



Food and drink served 6-630PM

10 cent BINGO starts 6:30 PM



Soft drinks in the lounge for \$1.

\*\*\* Please remember, no outside drinks are allowed! \*\*\*

## Music Friday



On June 8 the Post will sponsor its inaugural Music Friday jam session. The idea is designed for members and their families to get together and make some beautiful music together. The Post invites anyone who plays an instrument like a guitar, bass or anything portable to bring it to the Post from 7-10 PM. The idea is to get together for a fun evening of (perhaps) beautiful sounds or a lot of attempts at it! Drinks

will be available for purchase, and snacks will be made available. Come join the fun!

We would like to make this event more than once a month, maybe weekly or bi-weekly so please let us know of your interest by attending!

*Mike Marusa*

## Guitars For Vets

I am currently working with the National Coordinator of this organization to set up a Portland Area Chapter, to be sponsored by our Post.

Guitars for Vets is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 2007. They currently operate more than 80 chapters in 40 states with the assistance of over 200 volunteers nationwide. Over the past seven years, the organization has refined a guitar instruction program aimed at providing Veterans struggling with physical injuries, PTSD and other emotional distress a unique supportive program. G4V pursues its mission to share the healing power of music by providing free guitar instruction, a new acoustic guitar and a guitar accessory kit in a structured program run by volunteers, primarily through the Department of Veterans Affairs facilities and community-based medical centers.

For more info about the program please visit this website: <http://www.guitars4vets.org/>.

*Mike Marusa*

## Donations Needed

We are looking for donations to fund the replacement of all the windows in the Post building. Our windows are old and we need to replace them to save energy, which will save us funds on heating and cooling. The estimated cost for replacement is \$10,000.00 parts and labor. If you would like to donate please send a check or money order to:

Hillsboro Post No. 6 American Legion

285 W. Main St.

Hillsboro, OR 97123

To donate online through PayPal please go to:

[http://hillsboropost6.org/?page\\_id=197](http://hillsboropost6.org/?page_id=197)

*Tim Pierce– Vice Commander*



# June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 H/H/Bingo 6PM
3	4	5 Post E-board 6PM	6	7	8 Music Friday 7-10 PM	9
10	11 Money Mon- day 7-9 PM	12 Potluck 6PM Meetings 7:30	13	14	15	16 Flag Retirement 11 AM
17	18 Newsletter articles due	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Newsletter fold and mail	26	27 Convention— Florence	28 Convention— Florence	29 Convention— Florence	30 Convention— Florence

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