Legion Family News

Official Newsletter of Hillsboro Post No. 6

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Post Commander

We all are trying to work thru the effects of the last year. We have experienced the benefits of having social association or losing it by isolation. Our Buddy Check system has been and is, very helpful. In this regard we are starting an emphasizing on a system of existing members being paired with new members to be a one-on-one contact buddy. Details are being worked in and clarified in coming months. The thought is make a friend, help a friend, share with a friend.



We are also organizing programs for inhouse Post membership training and Post operations.

April meeting will continue to be open to office nominations. The meeting will be at 6:00 pm with virtual meeting contact available by membership email.

The meals for April will be April 3^{rd} Hamburger / Hot Dog with Bingo starting at 6:00 pm, Spaghetti Takeout / Dinner April 10^{th} 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm. Reservations at 503-647-2937 by April 8^{th} . Taco Takeout 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm April 24^{th} , call 253-341-1395 by April 22^{nd} .

"Free" - Special Note!

Those helping with Post Spring Cleaning on April 3rd, Hamburgers or Hot Dogs are on me. Clean-up of your Post starts at 3:00 pm. Stay for Bingo. You may win a small fortune.

Bob Gnos, Commander



Vice Commander

Children and Youth is one of our four pillars. It is also the designated theme for the month of April. Our Legion Family in Hillsboro supports several programs and opportunities for children. From the AMERICANISM COMMISSION COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN & YOUTH: Children represent the future of our nation. It is up to us to equip them with knowledge, leadership skills and a commitment to service that they will use as productive adult citizens of the United States.



For the past couple months our Post has provided a location and mentoring for two local high school's robotics teams. This has been a great opportunity for outreach. Many of the students were able to gain knowledge about the American Legion and its veterans. If you are interested in mentoring, please reach out to me. (See the Robots section for photos.)

Our Post sponsors several students each year for various summer programs:

Applications are now being accepted for both Boys State and Girls State. This year each of the programs will run virtually. For more information on Boys State visit https://orlegion.org/programs/boys-state/ Girls State you can find out more information here http://www.alaoregon.org/girls-state-2/girls-state/

The Law Enforcement Careers Camp is another great program and will be held virtually from August 2nd – 5th. It is open to high school students. (See flyer)

The School Awards Medal Program is for local high school seniors.

Applications are on our Post website. They are due to the Post on April 13th.

Our own high school baseball team is under Dave's guidance (see article). In addition, we charter a local Cub Scout Pack under the guidance of Phil.

Come volunteer/mentor and/or spread the word to your children, grandchildren, and friends about these opportunities.





Sheryl Loberger, Vice Commander



Membership Report

We are currently at 226 members renewed for 2021.

We just need **39 more** to make our goal of 265. Check your membership card, if it does not read 2021, please renew today. Your membership helps with our programs and keeps us open.



Sons of the Legion

Our Sons of The American Legion Squadron #6 has reached 100% and Auxiliary Unit #6 has reached 100% and it is the post's turn to reach 100%. Renew today

and let us become a 100% Legion Family. You might not think that YOUR MEMBERSHIP Counts, too many members think that way. Yes, one might not make a big different, but when you add up all of the ones, they add up to a lot.



Post Activities

If there is an activity or program that you are interested in, please let us know. If there is activity or program you would like to see the post involved in let us know. We do not know what interests you have if you do not let us know. Come to a meeting and check us out, if not for you the post would not exist. Our current programs consist of, boy scouts and cub scouts, boys state, baseball, school awards and youth law career camp. We also do, Memorial Day and Veterans Day events along with the 4 th of July parade in Hillsboro.

Robert D. Liebenow Chairman



Chaplain's Corner

Please contact me if you become aware of anyone facing a serious 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 along with your phone number. I promise I will respond. Thank you. Blessings,

Lynn Hamm Chaplain



Auxiliary President



Michelle Butler
Auxiliary President

Taco Take-Out

The Auxiliary will be having a Taco Take-Out Meal. It will be 2 tacos with a side of beans or taco salad. The cost is \$7. It will be available from 5-6:30pm on Saturday, April 24th. Please preorder if possible. To pre-order you can call 253-341-1395 or 503-826-5877.



102nd Legion Birthday





Auxiliary Membership

WE DID IT, WE DID IT!!

The first time in many years our Unit has reached our membership goal of 53. And we have our first male Auxiliary member! Thank you to everyone who have renewed their membership for 2021. We have a few members who have not renewed, just because we made goal doesn't mean that we don't need your membership also.





We have many new members this year. I would like to Welcome them to the Unit and hope that they will be able to join us for a meeting or social event.

New members are:

Mary Loudon David Jacobson
Jenna Garn Cindy Kilpatrick
David Jacobson Carla Vail

Megan Turnquist Destinee Schuster

Alaina Butler, Junior Member

Transfers are:

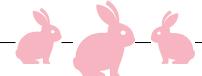
Cindy Hillyard Lynn Newton



Keep up the good work. With your membership dues we are able to help finance our Auxiliary programs.

Linda Liebenow

Membership Chairman



Firefighter of the Year





Congratulations to the
American Legion
2020
Firefighter of the Year
Lieutenant Ben Tanner

Tuesday, March 9th, the Commander, Vice Commander, and Auxiliary President presented the Firefighter of the Year award at the Fire Station downtown Hillsboro. The Auxiliary provided treats and cookies for the ceremony. Please read the nominating letter on the next page for this well-deserved award!



Firefighter of the Year (cont.)

Nomination:

I would like to nominate Ben Tanner for the tireless amount of work that he puts forth in our EMS supply operations and for the incredibly positive attitude that he brings to work with every single day.

Ben Always shows up to work with a smile on his face and leads with an optimistic point of view. He demonstrated that true leadership this year especially when he stepped up and volunteered to assist police in a three-hour long negotiation, in cold January weather, that prevented an individual from jumping off of the parking garage downtown.

He was also very calm, cool and collected as he commanded his crew through the attack of a fire of his own home.

The commitment and leadership that Lt. Tanner has demonstrated through this past year makes him most deserving of the honor of Firefighter of the Year for 2020.

Congratulations Lieutenant Tanner







Legion Baseball

Barbers Baseball - I am very pleased to report that the Post Executive Board approved a \$600 expenditure to support the baseball team. In addition, a BIG thank you to members who generously donated funds. This is a huge show of support for our team.

Coach Joe Duran writes:

Dear Post #6,

On behalf of the Barbers we would like to thank Post#6 for their generous donations and support. The Barbers are proud to represent Post #6 and are looking forward to a great summer of baseball.

Joe Duran Head Baseball Coach/General Manager

Again, a big thanks to those who donated. I hope to see you at the games.

Volunteers are needed at the games to help with tickets and the 50-50 drawing. Details and game schedule will be posted when they are available.

Go Barbers!

David Bogner - Chair Athletic Committee



Robots, Robots!



Thanks to our Hillsboro Post for sponsoring a temporary location, two high school robots' teams were able to meet to build their robots for the 2021 FIRST Tech Challenge season. Prior meetings were held virtually which was challenging if you are building a robot for a specific field competition. The students were eager to turn wrenches and morale was high. The school is now allowing the teams to meet onsite and opportunities for mentoring are still available.







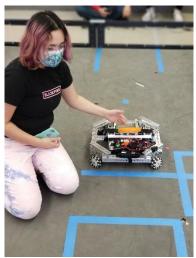














2021 APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28	29	30	31	1	2	3 Hall Clean-up 3:00pm Hamburger/ Hot Dog 6:00pm
4	5	6 E Board 6pm	7	8	9	Spaghetti Take-Out / Eat In 5:30pm -7:00pm
11	Money Monday 6:00 pm	13 Legion General Mtg 6pm Auxiliary Mtg 6 pm	14	15	16	Newsletter Articles
18	19	20	21	22	23	Taco Take-Out Meal 5pm - 6:30pm
25	26	27	28	29	30	MAY 9am-1pm Saturday Market Hamburger/ Hot Dog 6:00pm Bingo 6:30pm

Test Your Knowledge - April

- 1. What was the date the United States declared war on the German Empire?
- 2. At 4:30 a.m. on April 12, 1861, what happened?
- 3. What president said, "We have no selfish ends to serve," he continued. "We desire no conquest, no dominion. We seek no indemnities for ourselves, no material compensation for the sacrifices we shall freely make. We are but one of the champions of the rights of mankind. We shall be satisfied when those rights have been made as secure as the faith and the freedom of nations can make them." ?
- 4. What was the "shot heard round the world" and when was it?
- 5. What are 5 official mottos for branches of the military?

Rachel Loberger Jr. Auxiliary



Saturday Market Sign-up

Saturday Market sign-ups are now available! Hours are 9:00am – 1:00pm.

Saturdays on May 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29.

Help is needed to transport items and set-up / tear down and booth volunteering.

Volunteer for a shift or the whole day!



BINGO!!!



Law Enforcement Career Camp

The American Legion Department of Oregon in partnership with the Oregon State Police and with cooperation from the Oregon

State Sheriffs Association and Oregon Association of Chiefs of Police, are proud to present the



Aug 2nd - 5th, 2021

(subject to change by The American Legion, Department of Oregon and the Oregon State Police)

See <u>www.orlegion.org/law-enforcement-career-camp.html</u> for application and updates

Law Enforcement Career Camp (LECC) is an intense, multi-disciplinary 4 day virtual camp intended to expose high school students to various aspects of law enforcement. The four-day camp curriculum includes patrol scenarios, cybercrimes, forensic anthropology, SWAT/EOD/MRT, search and rescue, Department of Corrections, and Fish and Wildlife.

If you have questions, please contact: S. Flynn Phillips, Department Adjutant, at (503) 685-5006











Thank you for your Donations and Support

The following folks/Company have made donations:

Bruce Dixon - Flags

AMMCON CORP - Flags

Jim Brown - Flags

Mary Purell - Building

Auxiliary - Building

Bob Gnos - Baseball







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