### Legion Family News

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#### **Vice Commander**

I want to take this time to share a little bit of Americana. While stopping in Winterset, Iowa (birthplace to John Wayne) during my family's road trip in August, I learned about the Freedom Rocks. Each county in Iowa (99 total) has its own unique hand painted patriotic rock completed by Ray Sorensen II. These paintings are to thank veterans for their service and sacrifice. Dedication ceremonies were held with the help of the local American Legion Posts and other service organizations for each rock. This particular rock pictured on page 2, has four "panels" of patriotic artwork and



a quote from John Wayne. A quote that could not hold more meaning than today, "My hope and prayer is that everyone know and love our country for what she really is and what she stands for." It is time we all could benefit with embracing our inner Duke and share with others what it means to be a patriot of this great country. I have included in this newsletter the American Legion's mission statement: six principles to focus on as a Post. The only thing missing is you. We will be sending out a survey to gather information on possible date and time changes for our general meetings. Please take time to complete the survey. Attendance is key in organizing events, providing programs and other services for our fellow veterans and community.

Sheryl Loberger

**Vice Commander** 





### From the Adjutant's Desk

The American Legion is founded on four pillars of service: Our Veterans, Our Youth, A Strong National Defense and Americanism. Each of these pillars are represented in the standing committees of our Post. Each standing committee has sub committees prescribed by our by-laws. This is how the American Legion conducts its business in support of each of the four pillars. Programs are carried out in the committee process. The Post Commander assigns chairpersons to each committee at the beginning of his/her term and the chair schedules meetings to plan events and activities in support of the pillars. (cont.)





### From the Adjutant's Desk (cont.)

Here at Hillsboro Post No. 6, we have the following committees:

Americanism, Boy's State, Oratorical, Scouting - Chair, Sheryl Loberger

Athletic, Baseball, Junior Shooting Sports - Chair, David Bogner

Child Welfare, Schools, Community Service - Chair, Bob Gnos

Finance, - Chair, Doug Lund (Post Finances.)

**House**, - Chair, David Bogner (Facilities Management.)

Public Relations & Post Activities - Chair, Sheryl Loberger

Legal, - Chair, Rob Liebenow

Cadet Law Officer/LECC - Chair, Sheryl Loberger Honor Guard - Chair, Sheryl Loberger Law and Order - Chair, Doug Lund Legislative - Chair, Doug Lund National Security - Chair, Doug Lund

Membership, - Chair, Rob Liebenow Sons of the American Legion (SAL) - Chair, Rob Liebenow

**Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation** - Chair, David Bogner Economic/Veterans Employment - Chair, David Bogner

The bold titles are standing committees required by the Department of Oregon.

If you have a special talent in any of these areas, we need your participation! The business of the American Legion depends on you to drive the four pillars of service for our fellow veterans, their families and our community! Please contact the Post to volunteer!

To find out more about the four pillars, use this search:

https://www.legion.org/sitesearch?s=4+pillars

**David Bogner** 

**Adjutant** 

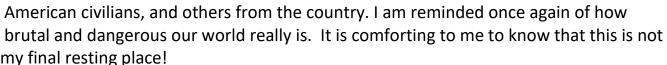


### Chaplain's Corner

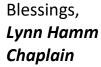
I pray this finds all of you well and getting excited for the year ahead and the opportunities afforded to us as members of the American Legion Post # 6.

This past couple of years have been the most challenging of any I can remember in my nearly 80 years on this earth. But our Father has been faithful and has blessed us in ways that have seen us through. Hopefully the end of this pandemic is near.

As I write this several of our brothers-in-arms have just been killed in Afghanistan as we evacuate our troops,



So, as we begin the new Legion year may we pause for a moment to consider how we can live our lives in such a way so as to bring some love, joy, and peace into our world. May we take greater advantage of the opportunities afforded us to demonstrate kindness and be more considerate of others as we travel life's road together.



P.S. please contact me if you become aware of anyone facing a serious illness or of 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.

### **Cub Scout Pack 195 Update**



The pirates of pack 195 have been busy the last few months. They split up to pillage summer camps in their dens, stocked up on supplies with a day of fishing fun. Now they are preparing their ships for the great raingutter regatta boat race where they will battle, one on one, to see which little pirate has the fastest ship. Conscription for the pack gathered a good amount of interest of new pack members coming of age.

\*\*Phil Brunson\*\*

Charter Representative



## LEADERSHIP



### The military made you a leader.

Use your skills to help us ensure a strong national defense, care for veterans, mentor youth and foster patriotism.

Join us. Let's serve America together.



### Membership Report

Now is the time to renew your 2022 membership. Pay before Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> and dinner is on us. We currently have 137 members paid for 2022, which is behind last year by about 7 members as of this writing. There are two easy ways to pay your dues: go online and sign up for autopay, or become a paid up for life member, and never worry about whether you paid or not. The post has not reached our membership goal in several years, this year it is 240 and that is very attainable. But we



need your help in getting there. Your membership supports our programs.

Robert D. Liebenow,

Chairman

### Sons of The American Legion

We have 19 members on the roster and so far: 14 members are paid up for 2022. If the other 5 will pay by Nov.11<sup>th</sup>, we can make goal and join the Legion for a free turkey dinner. A big program of the SAL is the Child Welfare Foundation. In the past Squadron #6 has not been able to contribute, but with your renewed membership we will be able to help out this year. Oregon is among the leaders in supporting this program every year. Over the years the SAL has contributed more than the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary combined. The foundation gives out grants to outside non-profits that deal with child health issues for research and development, making children's lives better.

Robert D. Liebenow

**Commander** 

### Do you know our Mission Statement?

The American Legion's mission statement, as adopted by the National Executive Committee in October 2020, is:

To enhance the well-being of America's veterans, their families, our military, and our communities by our devotion to mutual helpfulness. The American Legion's vision statement is "The American Legion: Veterans Strengthening America." The American Legion's value principles are as follows:

A VETERAN IS A VETERAN - which means The American Legion embraces all current and former members of the military and endeavors to help them transition into their communities.

**SELFLESS SERVICE** - which means The American Legion celebrates all who contribute to something larger than themselves and inspires others to serve and strengthen America.

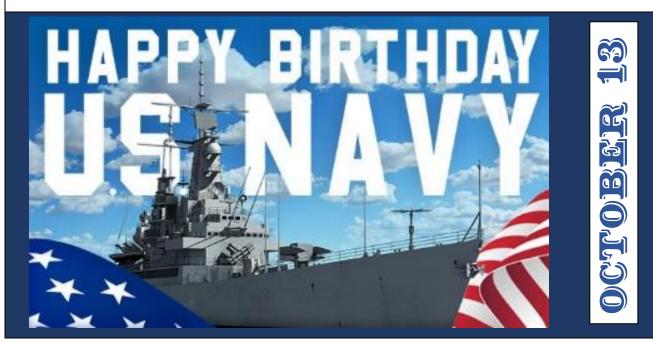
**AMERICAN VALUES AND PATRIOTISM** - which means The American Legion advocates for upholding and defending the United States Constitution, equal justice and opportunity for everyone and discrimination against no one, youth education, responsible citizenship and honoring military service by observing and participating in memorial events.

**FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT** - which means The American Legion meets the unique needs of local communities.

**ADVANCING THE VISION** - which means The American Legion educates, mentors and leads new generations of Americans.

**HONOR THOSE WHO CAME BEFORE US** - which means The American Legion pays perpetual respect for all past military sacrifices to ensure they are never forgotten by new generations.

The American Legion's motto is "Veterans Strengthening America." - Legion.org



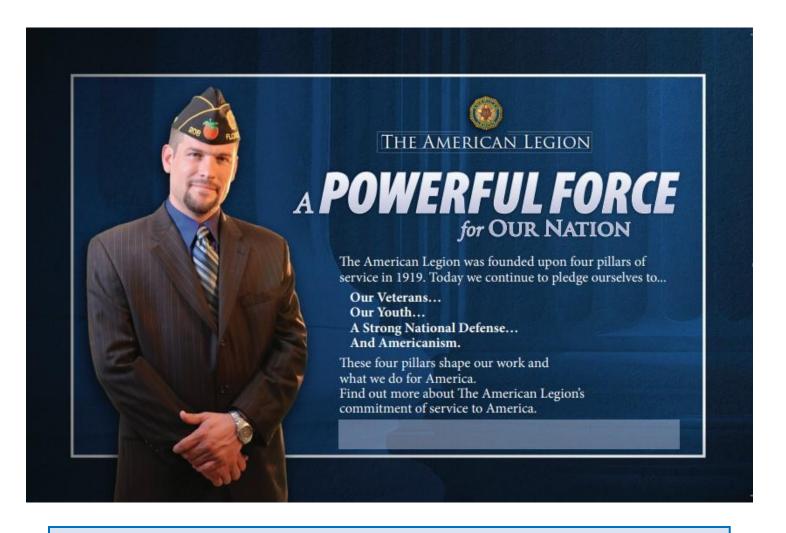
### October 2021



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	<b>5</b> E-Board 6pm	6	7	8	9
10	11	Post Mtg 6pm Auxiliary Mtg 6pm	Navy Birthday	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	<b>23</b> Taco Feed  5pm – 6:30pm
24	25	26 National Day of the Deployed	27	28	29	30 Halloween Pics @Post 2pm-5pm
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## NOVEMBER 2021

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	E-Board 6pm	3	4	5	6
7	8	Post Mtg 6pm Auxiliary Mtg 6pm	<b>10</b> Marine Corps Birthday	100 yrs. Tomb of Unknown Soldier Veterans Day Run / Ceremony TBA	12	<b>13</b> Early Bird Dinner TBA
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	<b>25</b> Thanksgiving	26	27
28	29	30				



### **Shout Out to Our Volunteers!**

Did you notice the shiny floors in the Main Hall? Maybe the squeaky-clean windows, the chairs that now glide with new pads and other improvements? Big shout out to Dave Bognar and Todd Russell for their hard work in getting these necessary jobs done!



### Volunteer Hour Documentation

When volunteering with the Post please fill out your matching hours form if you are an Intel employee. Your contributions help fund our Children and Youth Programs.

### **Auxiliary President**

Hello everyone, this year is really flying by! Many of us are more than ready to welcome some cooler weather with the beginning of this coming Fall season, and with it, we have planned some fun events for this month. First and foremost, we would love to see more of our members at the meeting this month on Tuesday the 12th of October. If you do not feel comfortable attending in person, we are happy to accommodate as much as possible via speaker phone. Please call or email me if you are interested, (503) 449-6232, sierra.k.butler@gmail.com.



The Auxiliary is excited to get back into the swing of things, and continues with many of our favorite events, such as the Taco Feed. Of course, members are still welcome to place orders for take-out as well, please see below for details. Additionally, we are thrilled to announce we are continuing the annual Halloween pictures this year. This will be held Saturday the 30th of October from 2:00pm-5:00pm, at the post. Bring your family members and friends for fun spooky Halloween pictures, and trick or treating! Please see attached flyer for details.

Sierra Butler

**Auxiliary President** 

### **Taco Feed Night**

Taco Feed Details:

Who: The American Legion Auxiliary, Hillsboro, Unit 6.

What: Your choice of 2 tacos with a side of beans <u>or</u> a taco salad, the cost will still be just \$7.00!

Please call Linda Liebenow to place your orders at (503) 333-0719.\*

When: Saturday, October 23, 2021 from 5:00pm-6:30pm

Where: Hillsboro, Post 6.
\*Dine-in or Take-out



# AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 6 INVITES YOU TO GET YOUR SPOOKY 5x7 HALLOWEEN PHOTO TAKEN for just \$7.00





**When: Saturday October 30th** 

2:00pm-5:00pm

**Where: Hillsboro American** 

Legion, Post 6

285 W. Main St Hillsboro, OR 97123

Why: Fundraiser to benefit our local veterans and their families How: Pictures will be taken at the post, and printed on-site so you can take then home immediately!

**WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!** 

### Flag Retirement and Replacement



Do you have an American flag torn or frayed and worn beyond repair? Hillsboro Post 6 accepts your old flags and retires them in an appropriate and respectful manner with a Flag Retirement Ceremony. You may drop off your flags at the Post or at our Saturday Market booth and we will replace your old flag with a similar new one.

\*Donations are gladly accepted

### The American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship

"A Constitutional Speech Contest." The American Legion Oratorical contest is for high school students in  $9^{th} - 12th$  grade. For rules and information on contest please visit <a href="https://www.legion.org/oratorical">https://www.legion.org/oratorical</a>

Hillsboro Post 6 competition will be held the first week of January 2022. Specific date and time to be announced.

Every contestant must begin at the Post level; only Post level winners will advance to the District Contest. The District contest winner will advance to the Department contest. The winner of the Department contest will represent Oregon in the National contest in Indianapolis, Indiana; usually held in April. The money available for scholarships at the

Department level are:

1st place: \$5000 2nd place: \$3500 3rd place: \$2500 4th place: \$2000

National 1<sup>st</sup> place: \$20,000



Speaking subjects must be on some aspect of the U.S. Constitution, with some emphasis on the duties and obligations of citizens to our government. Speeches are eight to 10 minutes long; three- to five-minute speeches on an assigned topic also are part of the contest.

### Thank you for your Donations and Support

The following folks have made donations:

Bruce Dixon - Flags

**AMMCON CORP - Flags** 

Jim Brown - Flags

Mary Purell - Building

**Auxiliary - Building** 

Bob Gnos - Baseball





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