# **Legion Family News**

## **Official Newsletter of Hillsboro Post No. 6**

## February 2023



## **Post Commander**

Hillsboro Post 6 is opening up its doors with more opportunities each month! It is great to see and hear the impact our members are making. For example, last month, a Post 6 member was helping in Florida at a local Post with Team Rubicon in response from Hurricane Ian.

We have awesome veterans doing amazing volunteering!

Our steak or salmon dinners are going great on Thursday nights and now we are offering a lunch of soup and side on Wednesdays. Come on down for a bite to eat O.

There are just a couple spots left for the Airsoft Team play on Sun. Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> from 6pm – 8pm, equipment included. First come, first serve. Email

<u>HillsboroPostNo.6@gmail.com</u> to secure your spot. This is a free event.

The School Award Medal Program application opens February 15<sup>th</sup> for high school seniors. Boys State and Girls State applications open soon.

The winner of last's month drawing at our general meeting for a Starbuck's gift card was Mike M.!

The Auxiliary is hosting a Spring Bazaar in May so get your space reserved and help spread the word.

Don't forget to purchase your crab tickets for this month's dinner! Our next general meeting is March 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. See you there!

Sheryl Loberger, Commander





## **Chaplain's Corner**

I pray this finds all of you doing well and giving thanks to our Father for all of His blessings.

While I was trying to figure out what to write about That might be encouraging to everyone this month, I remembered a conversation I recently had with a couple of members of our Post. We were discussing God's blessings and how we often fail to thank Him For them. Things we often take for granted, like good health, sunshine and rain. Even when things are bad, we are blessed.



Then I remembered a funny story I was told a few

days ago. Seems the two older gentlemen (one was 95 and the other 92), were walking down a street in Beverly Hills. They stopped in front of a Vintage car showroom and stared for the longest time at a bright red Ferrari. Finally one of them said, "If only I were 80 again!".

The point is no matter where you are in life, nor how bad or difficult life seems at the time, there is always someone would trade places with you in a heartbeat. So, the next time you're feeling depressed and a little down just remember that there's a host of people who would love to be where you are in life.

May your day be blessed,

#### Lynn Hamm, Chaplain

P.S. Please contact me if you become aware of anyone facing a serious illness or perhaps the passing of a member of our Post. My phone number: 503-640-1999. If I don't answer right away, please leave message along with your phone number. I promise I will respond. Thank you.



## From The Adjutant's Desk

We are continuing to try different things that might bring you, our members into the Post. In January we started serving lunch on Wednesdays from 11AM to 1PM. The Post, Auxiliary and Sons of The Legion will take a turn at cooking your lunch. Once we get things established, we will have each week's menu on the monthly calendar.

If you do any volunteer work in the community such as working with children, veterans, or our seniors, please keep track of your hours and report them to me



so I can fill out our yearly report to Congress. Yes, all of our service hours and money out of pocket is reported to our National Headquarters. Then they compile a report to Congress. This is how we keep our tax-exempt status. We are a 501c19 corporation. Your donations to the Post are tax deductible.

There is just a handful for members doing the work of many. We could use your help in many ways. Just asking you to volunteer at one of our events that we hold each year. Can you give us one day a year to help those that do most of the work?

Robert D. Liebenow, Adjutant Post #6

## Membership

Membership stands at 182 renewed members to date. Our 2023 membership goal is 244. What more can I say? We are 62 members short and it is not looking good at this point. Not only do veterans in our local area depend on The American Legion but veterans across our Nation need our help. PLEASE RENEW TODAY.

Robert D. Liebenow, Chairman



## **Auxiliary Membership**

Have you paid your 2023 membership? It is not too late. According to our records, we have about 10 members that have not paid yet. Are you one of them?

If you are having financial difficulties, the Unit may be able to help you with your dues.

Your membership dues help the Unit support our Auxiliary programs such as Americanism, Children and Youth, Community Service. And most of all we are honoring the Veterans in our family.

Remember why you joined.

Linda Liebenow, Membership Chairman Auxiliary Unit #6

## **Auxiliary News**

#### **Auxiliary News**

Come join our Legion Family for the Police Officer of the Year <u>dinner on</u> <u>February 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm</u>. The Auxiliary will be cooking a wonderful meal of Lasagna and Salad. A variety of desserts to be provided by Auxiliary Members. Please bring your favorite dessert to share (can be homemade or store-bought). Our Department President Debra Godwin will be visiting our Unit <u>on February 7<sup>th</sup>.</u> Let's show her a warm welcome by attending the dinner and our unit meeting.

Our Unit President, Debra Ashe, is busy making plans for our Poppy program. Be on the lookout for sign-ups to help distribute poppies throughout the coming months. Have a wonderful February and we look forward to visiting with our members at Legion Family events and Unit meetings.

Tracy Peets Vice President Auxiliary Unit #6





## Sons of The American Legion

As this year's Detachment Commander for the state of Oregon, I have started a scholarship to honor a long-time member and leader Willy Williams, who passed away in January of 2022. The scholarship is open to any SAL members in Oregon that has paid their current dues for the year that they are applying. The scholarship can be for a two-year, four-year or a trade school. The initial year it will be for \$1,000. It can be used by an older member, who is going back to school for retraining. If you would like to donate to the scholarship, please make your check out to The American Legion and ear mark it for the scholarship and send it to the Post.

## Law Officer of the Year Dinner

Please join us on February 7th at 6PM for dinner, honoring Detective Jordan Schreiner of the Hillsboro Police Department, Post #6 law officer of the year. Jordan was selected by his peers and his application has been submitted to The American Legion Department of Oregon for consideration as law officer of the year for the state organization.

## **Crab Feed Fundraiser**

Mark February 11 th on your calendars. That is the date for our annual crab feed.

The boats got a very late start this year, but the crab will be fresh and delicious.

Due to the price this year, we had to raise our prices. A full crab dinner will be

\$30, halve crab dinner is \$20 and our shrimp salad is still \$15. Send your order

and check made out to The American Legion Post 6 and send to,

Robert Liebenow

11505 SW Toulouse St.

Wilsonville, OR. 97070



RSVP by Feb.7 th , need to get a count to our supplier. Remember, the crab is fresh

off the boat, pack and ready for us to pick up on the day of the feed.

## The American Legion Hillsboro Post No. 6



## Saturday, February 11, 2023

TICKETS **\$30 WHOLE CRAB** \$20 HALF CRAB **\$15 SHRIMP LOUIE** 

Tickets on sale until Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> Call Rob 503-826-5877

to order and send in money.

Pick up tickets at the door.

## TAKE-OUT / DINE IN

## 5pm – 6:30pm

Meals are Crab Dinner or Shrimp Louie, salad (potato salad or coleslaw) and dinner rolls.

Hillsboro Post No. 6 285 W Main St, Hillsboro, OR 97123

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			Lunch with Friends 11am-1pm	Steak or Salmon Dinner 5pm	Four Chaplains Day Service 3pm	Hamburger /Hot Dog 6pm Bingo
5	6	Post and Aux 7 meeting 6pm	8	9	10	11
		Police Officer of the Year Dinner	Lunch with Friends 11am-1pm	Steak or Salmon Dinner 5pm		Crab Feed 5pm
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## **Lunch with Friends Menu**

Come on down for a meal with friends located in the Post Lounge. Lunch is served between 11am to 1pm on Wednesdays. Cost is \$6. (Menu selection is subject to change)

January 25 – Red Pepper Tomato Soup and Grilled Cheese (L)

February 1 – Taco Soup with Chips (A)

February 8 – Clam Chowder (L)

February 15 – Ham and Bean (A)

February 22 - Broccoli and Cheddar (L)

March 1 – Chicken Noodle (L)

March 8 – Pasta Fagioli (A)

March 15 – Beef and Barley (A)

March 22 – Creamy Tomato Soup and Monte Cristo (L)

March 29 – Chicken and Corn Chowder (A)



## For the Good of the Legion



Informative presentation on the PACT ACT and other resources available to veterans from our Department Veteran Service Officer Ed Van Dyke. His contact is (503) 412-8408 to follow up with information or assistance for our veteran member's VA claims.



## Four Chaplains Day Service - February 3rd, 3pm

## How we remember them

Every year, American Legion posts nationwide commemorate the selfless acts of the Four Chaplains on or near Feb. 3, designated Four Chaplains Day by Congress in 1948. Through interfaith services, memorial ceremonies and other solemn events, members of the American Legion Family lead their communities in honoring the chaplains and 668 other men who died when *Dorchester* sank.

Founded in 1951, the Chapel of Four Chaplains in Philadelphia encourages and supports these observances, and recognizes selfless service to community, nation and humanity through its Legion of Honor award program.

## **SPRING CRAFT BAZAAR**



CALL FOR VENDORS!!

Homemade crafts for sale by vendor

American Legion Auxiliary Unit #6 Spring Craft Bazaar

May 20, 2023 – 10am to 4pm

285 W Main Street, Hillsboro, OR 97123

Cost for Vendor table: (all tables inside; limited tables; first come first serve) 6-foot table – \$20 | 8-foot table – \$25

Call Carole Hockenbarger for table applications: 503 201-9112 (text or phone)

## CALL FOR VENDORS!!

American Legion Auxiliary Unit #6 Hillsboro will be having a Spring Craft Bazaar May 20, 2023, from 10 am to 4 pm. We are looking for vendors who sell homemade crafts. The bazaar will be held indoors and we have 6-ft tables for \$20 or 8-ft tables for \$25. Tables are limited and will be reserved on a firstcome, first-served basis. Contact Carole Hockenbarger for table applications at 503 201-9112 (text or phone). Bazaar address is 285 W. Main Street, Hillsboro, OR 97123.



## From the Oregon Department of Veteran Affairs

Veterans in acute suicidal crisis can now go to any VA or non-VA health care facility for emergency health care at **no cost** — including inpatient or crisis residential care for up to 30 days and outpatient care for up to 90 days.

Veterans do **not** need to be enrolled in VA health care to use this benefit. This expansion will increase access to acute suicide care for up to 9 million veterans who are not currently enrolled in the VA system.

The final policy, which took effect on Jan. 17, allows the VA to:

- Provide, pay for, or reimburse for treatment of eligible individuals' emergency suicide care, transportation costs, and follow-up care at a VA or non-VA facility for up to 30 days of inpatient care and 90 days of outpatient care.
- Make appropriate referrals for care following the period of emergency suicide care.
- Determine eligibility for other VA services and benefits.
- Refer eligible individuals for appropriate VA programs and benefits following the period of emergency suicide care.

Eligible individuals, regardless of VA enrollment status, are:

- Veterans who were discharged or released from active duty after more than 24 months of active service under conditions other than dishonorable.
- Former members of the armed forces, including reserve service members, who served more than 100 days under a combat exclusion or in support of a contingency operation either directly or by operating an unmanned aerial vehicle from another location who were discharged under conditions other than dishonorable.
- Former members of the armed forces who were the victim of a physical assault of a sexual nature, a battery of a sexual nature, or sexual harassment while serving in the armed forces.

If you or someone you know is struggling: Don't wait. Reach out. Visit <u>www.va.gov/REACH</u> for resources and information, or call 988 (then press 1) to quickly connect with caring, qualified crisis support 24/7.



Established in 1945, the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs is dedicated to serving Oregon's diverse veteran community that spans five eras of service members. ODVA administers programs and provides special advocacy and assistance in accessing earned veteran benefits across the state. Learn about veteran benefits and services, or locate a local county or tribal veteran service office online at <u>www.oregon.gov/odva</u>.



### **Objectives of the American Legion School Award Medal Program:**

Place emphasis on the development of the qualities of COURAGE, HONOR, LEADERSHIP, PATRIOTISM, SCHOLARSHIP, and SERVICE. Developing ideals of Americanism among young people making them citizens of the highest type.

Give recognition through the award of American Legion School Award Medals to students who are deemed most worthy of the high qualities of citizenship and of true Americanism.

The Award Medal represents the educational symbolism of the School Award Medal Program and associates it with The American Legion and its purposes. The medal is applicable for award to students in the graduating class of senior high schools.

Up to four Seniors will be selected within the Hillsboro School District area each year to receive special recognition.

Each awardee receives a \$100, a certificate and a medal with the six qualities listed on the face of the medal, as the back bears the Marine Corps motto, "Semper Fidelis" ("always faithful").

Requirements:

- Must be a Senior in good standing attending a local high school within the Hillsboro School District area.
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or Legal Resident
- Complete Application identifying your six qualities that define character: courage, honor, leadership, patriotism, scholarship, and service.
- Applications are due on April 8, 2023, to The American Legion Hillsboro Post 6, 285 W Main St, Hillsboro, OR 97123

For assistance contact : Mrs. Loberger at HillsboroPostNo.6@gmail.com or Hillsboro Post 6 (503) 648-7191 Website: http://hillsboropost6.org



## Scholarship Application



#### The American Legion School Award Medal Program for High School Seniors Application

Requirements:

- Must be a Senior in good standing attending a local high school within the Hillsboro School District area.
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or Legal Resident
- Complete Application identifying your six qualities that define character: courage, honor, leadership, patriotism, scholarship and service.
- Applications are due on April 8, 2023, to The American Legion Hillsboro Post 6, 285 W Main St, Hillsboro, OR 97123 (Attached resume optional)

First Name	Last Name				
Address	City	Zip			
Phone	School				
Parent / Guardian Name (required even if student is 18 or over)					
Phone	Email				
Identify your six qualities that define scholarship and service.	character: courage, honor, lea	dership, patriotism,			

## Thank you for your Donations, Support and Time

A special shout to the following:

Jerry Hrabal

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