# Legion Family News

Official Newsletter of Hillsboro Post No. 6

**March 2023** 



### **Post Commander**

So, this is what the groundhog meant when he saw his shadow this year! Hope everyone was safe and warm during the snowfall.

A LOT of information to pass in this month's newsletter. Our Tuesday meeting, March 7, we will be announcing the Firefighter of the Year award. Come have dinner and show your support. Meal served at 6pm (no cost).

The Auxiliary is hosting the Post (and Legion) Birthday Dinner. As a special treat, the Auxiliary announced Post 6 members' meal is free on March 25<sup>th</sup>. Rsvp is strongly encouraged. March 30<sup>th</sup>, the Post will be serving tea for the Auxiliary (see flyer).



We are in the planning stages for the Legion Family Fun Day, April 29<sup>th</sup> including a cornhole tournament with prizes! Email me to join the planning committee and save the date. You will not want to miss this event! (See flyer)

Saturday Market will be kicking off April 29th. This is one of the best ways to engage with our community and let them know about The American Legion and our 4 pillars. Reach out to Todd to sign up for a shift, it would be appreciated.

Applications are open for our youth programs (see pages 9 and 14). We would love to see you at Doug's Steak or Salmon Dinners on Thursday nights and 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, Hamburger /Hot Dog nights with Bingo, Chaplain's Corner and Money Mondays.

We are building community and strengthening our bonds.

At Hillsboro Post 6, "we've got your six".

Sheryl Loberger,
Post Commander



# **Chaplain's Corner**

This month I'd like to remind us of the importance of reaching out and connecting with those we know or perhaps with someone new whom God brings into our lives.

A friend and fellow army member passed from life a few days ago, tragically at his own hands. It turns out he was suffering from PTSD and had been since his return from Iraq in 2009. He had hidden it very well because when it happened it caught his wife and 4 children completely by surprise.



He was a good bit younger than I but we became good friends. I was sort of a mentor to him for a while until he and his family moved away. After that we stayed in touch occasionally but it's never the same when you aren't involved in each other's lives on a regular basis. I mention this because I think we all need to be close to someone. I believe God designed us as social creatures and placed within us a deep need for relationship with Him of course but also with each other. So, my encouragement today is to reach out and try to become better acquainted with those in your life. Really get to know them as best you can and be there for them through the good times and the bad. You never know what someone is dealing with and God may have put them into your life for such a time as this.

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

There are a lot of new events coming your way. Check out the calendar for updates.

The post and auxiliary have been serving lunch at the post on Wednesdays from 11AM to 1PM. Mark your calendars and join us for a great lunch, cost is only \$6.

March 25th the auxiliary will be hosting a dinner to celebrate the Legion's 104 birthday. The cost is \$10 for non-members, and a RSVP would be nice so they can plan the food accordingly. We will also be initiation our new



members. Those being Initiated and their guest will receive a free dinner.

We are still looking to put together an honor guard for parades and funerals. If interested, please contact one of our officers.

Our annual crab feed was a great success. It is our second largest fundraiser of the year, and we netted over \$950. Thanks to all those who participated. I would like to thank the following volunteers for all their help. Linda Liebenow for putting all the shrimp salads together, Todd Russell and Mike True for serving up the crab, Herman Fierro for tending bar and Doug Lund and Sheryl Loberger for cleaning up our mess.

If you have volunteered your time in your community from June of 2022 until now, I need to know your hours and any money donated for our annual report to Congress. You can send your information to the post.

Robert D. Liebenow,
Adjutant Post #6

# Membership

This time of the membership year, we should have 220 renewed members, we only have 190. I wished I knew why so many or you are not renewing your membership. We are the largest voice on Capitol Hill for our country's veterans.

Without your membership, our voice is not as loud. PLEASE RENEW TODAY.

Robert D. Liebenow, Chairman



# **Auxiliary News**

We are busy with so many wonderful activities. The Firefighter of the Year Dinner is March 7 at 6 pm. The auxiliary will be providing desserts to share. Left over desserts will be sent with the Firefighters to take back to their stations. Please join us for dinner and bring your favorite dessert.

Legion Family members are enjoying the Wednesday lunches. They are so tasty and sure hit the spot on these cold days of winter. The menus are posted in the newsletter. Make a plan to stop by for lunch. A big thank you to everyone who are making and serving the lunches.

A very special event is happening March 30 th . Our Auxiliary National President Vickie Koutz is visiting Oregon and will be a special guest, along with Department President Debra Godwin, at the Auxiliary Tea from 1 to 3 pm. Post members will be serving the Auxiliary! What a wonderful treat!

The Auxiliary will be hosting a spring bazaar Saturday, May 20 th . All tables have been sold. Next step is to advertise the bazaar. Be on the lookout for a flyer coming soon.

Tracy Peets Vice President Auxiliary Unit #6



# Sons of The American Legion

It is that time of year, we need to start getting our volunteer hours together so I can turn in the report to National. This information is compiled into a report from Squadron Detachments across the Nation and sent to Congress.

As always, we are looking for new members. Sons, grandsons and even post members are eligible to become members of the SAL. Our dues are only \$25 a year. Sign up a new member and help us grow. We are here to support the post and their activities.

Robert D. Liebenow, Adjutant



### Law Officer of the Year Dinner

### 2022 OFFICER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to
Officer Jordan Schreiner
who was awarded the
2022 Officer of the Year
award by Hillsboro Post 6,
The American Legion.
Officer Schreiner was
recognized for his dedication,
teamwork, great attitude,
and service to the
people of Hillsboro.



2022 Officer of the Year Jordan Schreiner



# **Post Everlasting**

It is with a sad and heavy heart on February 5, 2023 at the age of 91, Sgt Charles F. "Tim" Arbogast USMC joined ranks of Post Everlasting. In 1950 he joined the United States Marine Corps. He served in How Company, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division in the Korean War from 1951 - 1953. He was awarded the Purple Heart and was well known as a Marine's Marine. Semper Fi Tim.



Obituary | Charles "Tim" Farrell Arbogast | Duyck & VanDeHey Funeral Home (dvfuneralhome.com)

# 2023 MARCH



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Lunch with Friends 11am-1pm	2 Steak or Salmon Dinner 5pm	<b>3</b> Chaplain's Corner 3pm -4pm	Hamburger /Hot Dog 6pm Bingo
5	6	Post and Aux meeting 6pm Fireman of the Year Dinner	Lunch with Friends 11am-1pm	Steak or Salmon Dinner 5pm	10	11 District Mtg
12	13 Money Monday 6pm	14	Lunch with Friends 11am-1pm The American Legion's Birthday	16	17	18
19	20	21	<b>22</b> Lunch with Friends  11am-1pm	23 Steak or Salmon Dinner 5pm	24	Post 6 Birthday Party Dinner 6pm
26	27	E Board 6pm	29 Lunch with Friends 11am-1pm	Aux Tea 1pm - 3pm Steak or Salmon Dinner 5pm	31	



# APRIL 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
26	27	28	29	30	31	Hamburger /Hot Dog 6pm Bingo
2	3	Post and Aux meeting 6pm	5	6 Steak or Salmon Dinner 5pm	7 Chaplain's Corner 3pm -4pm	8
9	Money Monday 6pm	11	12	13 Steak or Salmon Dinner 5pm	14	15 Quilt Retreat Post Reserved
16	17	18	19	20 Steak or Salmon Dinner 5pm	21	22
23	24	E Board 6pm	26	27 Steak or Salmon Dinner 5PM	28	29 Legion Family Fun Day 12pm
30	1	2	3	4	5	6



# American Legion Auxiliary Department of Oregon and Hillsboro Unit/Post 6

# Cordially invite you to an Afternoon Tea honoring our National President Vickie Koutz

Thursday, March 30, 2023

1pm - 3pm

Cost: \$10

Location: 285 W. Main St. Hillsboro,

Oregon 97123

RSVP to Post 6 at

HillsboroPostNo.6@gmail.com or call

503-648-7191 and leave a message.

<u>Distinguished Auxiliary Guests:</u> Debra Godwin – Department President Krisann Owen - NEC



Finger sandwiches, chocolates, macaroons and more....

And of course, a variety of teas will be served by the

Legionnaires of Hillsboro Post 6.

National President Vickie Koutz is requesting in lieu of gifts, please make a donation to her President's Project – National Veterans Creative Arts Festival Companions.

### **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)

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)

# **Boys State and Girls State Applications Open!**

**High School Juniors!** 

2023 BOYS STATE dates June 25th — July 1st Oregon State University BOYS STATE — The American Legion (orlegion.org)

2023 GIRLS STATE dates are June 25<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023

https://www.alaoregon.org/girls-state-2/girls-state/









Invites you to

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# FALLEY

# FUN DAY

Saturday, April 29, 2023

Fun and Games start at 12pm

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

PRIZES, GAMES

FREE HOT DOGS\*

HillsboroPostNo.6@gmail.com 285 W. Main St., Hillsboro

\*While supplies last



Members of Post 6 joined forces at OREGON AIRSOFT Oregon Airsoft -**GET OFF THE COUCH! (oregon**airsoft.com) for an evening of fun and games. This activity was possible by the Stronger Together grant with Washington County Veteran Services.



# For the Good of the Legion



Our Chaplain, Lynn did a great rendition of Taps (and we discovered he has a great set of pipes) for the POW/MIA ceremony.



# Share your Story with Students at Sunrise HS

Link to SHS HONOR by LISTENING invite

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1rXO2WoWN83fGN7Aptz266zjS0LcYn8VejP3IiPDFhD8/e dit?usp=sharing



We would like to proudly extend an <u>invitation</u> to you to attend an event called "Honor By Listening", here at our school; Sunset High.

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### A bit about our program:

Hello! Our names are Jeff Smith & Andrew Gunsul and we are educators at Sunset High School in Portland, OR.

"Honor by Listening" is a one-day series of face-to-face conversations between <u>students and acting</u>
<u>service members</u> and <u>veterans</u>. This is a great way for students to have a very meaningful experience
listening to the histories, perspectives, and experiences of those Americans who have served or are
currently serving. It is also a chance for our students to do authentic history by developing questions and
listening to first-hand accounts of our service men and women.

The value for our students is incalculable - though, we also do this for you. We wish to honor your service by taking the time to hear your stories and experiences. With this, our students can carry that knowledge with them and forward into the next generation. Through this event we hope to remind you that you are appreciated for your meaningful contributions to the country - in whatever capacity or era you served.

The event will take place this year on May 19th, 2023. You, the speaker, would be with student table groups between the hours of 9am to 2pm. We will have snacks and drinks available, and you are welcome to take whatever breaks you'd like or require.

Also, if you know of other Vets or Active Military who would like to speak, please send this document and link below which includes a short video of the day. Anyone interested should contact Jeff by email.

#### jeff\_smith@beaverton.k12.or.us

Thank you for your time and your service to our nation.



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

### 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**



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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 character: courage, honor, leadership, patriotism, scholarship and service.

# Thank you for your Donations, Support and Time







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