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POST 180 NEWSLETTER



POST 180 NEWS

COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Happy New Year to all of our Family members. I hope your Christmas Holidays were filled with good times with family and friends. I want to take this opportunity to address our Code of Conduct. I want to remind everyone that our American Legion Post should be a safe place for anyone who enters our doors. We need to remember our main reason and focus for being a member should be on veterans and their family. Personal feelings about how the Post is managed, or the people we may disagree with should be left at the door. Business is never to be discussed at the bar; or discussed at another Post. That aside, we have Post Officer first nominations coming up in March. Please be thinking about volunteering to run for an office or who you would like to nominate.

Yours truly, Chuck Leverton, Commander

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:



Our year is starting off right. We updated our constitution and bylaws, plus our standing rules. They need to be updated every 3 years or at least checked, if nothing changes then we just let it be noted that they were reviewed and still stand as is. At our September meeting, we voted to help the Post with bills and maintenance, and we shall help again in 2024. Our meetings are the first Thursday of every month, so please come join us. Bring your ideas and help where you can. The newsletter has a 2 month calendar of events. Your support would be greatly appreciated to help with our programs. Our goal is to help veterans, veterans families, and our children. Come in, meet the officers of the Post, Auxiliary, SAL, and Riders, and any questions, please ask any officer. This is a family of good members and we work together and support each other. Remember to check out the calendar and hope to see you at the post. There is a lot going on with the holidays coming so check them out. Be safe and careful through the holidays. Thank you all for volunteering and supporting Milwaukie 180.

President Trudie McGriff, 180s Unit President



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**MARCH 2ND
5:30-7:00PM**

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S.A.L. SQUADRON MESSAGE:



Greetings Sons & Legion family! We have been working hard to help veterans, children and youth. We are I hope everyone had a great holiday! Let's start off by talking about membership. We are currently sitting at 76 members with a goal of 124. That's only 61%, we really need to be working on getting our members to renew. By the time you get this, if you haven't already renewed, your membership will have expired.

Lastly, I want to remind everyone why The American Legion exists. The American Legion has 4 Pillars that they stand on. Those Pillars are Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation (also known as VA&R), National Security, Americanism and Children and Youth. It is important to know that The American Legion isn't about a bar or lounge. Yes, we may have one, but that's not our sole purpose. I also want to strongly encourage everyone to please get along. When we let it get out of hand the only thing it does is separate us from our true mission of why we are members. As our current National Commander JR Hall would say "representing more than me". I hope we can fix this and get back to what we are here for.

Marc Chaney, Squadron Commander

A promotional poster for a performance by Marty & The Murder Hornets. The poster features a central photograph of an elderly man with glasses and a mustache, wearing a yellow and black striped horned hat. The background is red with white wavy lines radiating from behind the man's head. The text is in a bold, white, distressed font with red outlines. At the top, it says "MARTY & THE MURDER HORNETS". Below that, it says "AMERICAN LEGION POST 180". The date and time are "FRIDAY MARCH 22ND 6:30-9:30PM". At the bottom, the address is "2146 SE MONROE STREET MILWAUKIE, OR. 97222". There are yellow stars on either side of the address.

**MARTY
& THE MURDER HORNETS**

**AMERICAN LEGION
POST 180**

**FRIDAY MARCH 22ND
6:30-9:30PM**

**2146 SE MONROE STREET
MILWAUKIE, OR. 97222**

A.L.R. MESSAGE:

“Let’s Ride”



First off I want apologize for not getting out an actual newsletter for the January/February. I know how much you rely on the bi-monthly newsletter to make you plans. No excuses but it was really a bandwidth challenge for me.

Wanted to thank all of you who have been down enjoying the meals like Teri Monday Dinners, Family Breakfasts, Taco Squad Taco Tuesdays, Padres Wing Wednesday, and Thursday Night Chili Dogs or bartenders choice. On that same note huge shout out to all those who have coordinated all the events and functions as well as the volunteers who help make it happen. A great example is the “Good Ole Crab Feed” facilitated by Bill Shults with support from all four Legion Family groups and Kristi Redford coordination and execution of the Kid’s Christmas Party. Our Post 2nd Vice Sharon needs to be acknowledged for all her tireless work of lounge operations, keeping entertainment in the mix, whether its Karaoke, Live bands or events like the Super Bowl. It is an unthankful role at times, but we want to make sure you are recognized for your everyday efforts that are keeping the Post alive and well.

It’s time for our annual spring ALR fundraiser. Tickets are on sale now at the lounge for a chance to win the Wagon “Contents or thanks to Mike Harryman Blazer tickets in April. Please support our efforts where the proceeds will go to the Post Service Officers fund. See below for some details.

May 18th is the annual CPL Diffie fundraising breakfast. Please consider coming down to support the event. We can also use donations for drawing Baskets, and if you know of any corporate organization who would be interested in supporting this great cause please give them my contact information.

With winter still hanging around, just want to remind you to get your emergency kit together. You don't want to be caught unprepared when the wind hits, water floods, snow falls, or the power goes out. Take some time today when things aren't crazy and prepare today for tomorrow. Be safe and we will see you all in March and April. Please consider coming down and supporting these events and help get us back to the days of high event attendance, fun and laughs (**remember "with more we soar"**).

Mike Lueck, ALR Director and Post 1st Vice Commander

POST 180 ALR – 2024 SPRING FUNDRAISER – BLAZERS TICKETS/WAGON

BLAZERS VS. PELICANS, APR 9TH, 7:00 PM, \$2 FOR 1 TICKET, \$8 FOR 3 TICKETS

PROCEEDS WILL GO THE POST 180 SERVICE OFFICERS VETERANS PROGRAM



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Blood Drive 8am-1pm Auxiliary Baked Potato Bar 5:30-7pm
3 Breakfast 9:00am-Noon BINGO 2-4pm	4 Teri's Special French Dip 	5	6 Wing Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm	7 Post/Aux Mtgs 6:30pm Bartender Special	8	9 ALR Quarterly DEC 11:30am-3pm
10 BINGO 2-4pm	11 Teri's Special French Dip 	12  5:30-7:00pm	13 Honor Guard Meeting 6:30	14 AL Riders Mtg 6:30pm Bartender Special	15 Karaoke 7-10pm	16 Beer Club 7am-1pm
 17 Breakfast 9:00am-Noon BINGO 2-4pm	18 Teri's Special French Dip 	19	20 Wing Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm	21 SAL Mtg & Aux Volunteer Mtg 6:30pm Bartender Special	22 Live Music Marty & the Murder Hornets 6:30-9:30 pm	23 Auxiliary Kids Easter Party 3-5 pm
24/31 Breakfast 9:00am-Noon BINGO 2-4pm	25 Teri's Special French Dip 	26  5:30-7:00pm	27	28 Post E-board 6:30pm Bartender Special	29 Karaoke 7-10pm	30

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	1 Teri's Special French Dip 	2	3	4 Post/Aux Mtgs 6:30pm Bartender Special	5	6 Blood Drive 8am-1pm  Save a Life, Give Blood
7 BINGO 2-4pm	8 Teri's Special French Dip Calendar Mtg 6:30pm 	9  TACO TUESDAY 5:30-7:00pm	10 Honor Guard Mtg 6:30pm	11 AL Riders Mtg 6:30pm Bartender Special	12 Newsletter articles due! Karaoke 7-10pm	13 Peggy Sue's Celebration of Life 3-5pm
14 Breakfast 9:00am-Noon BINGO 2-4pm	15 Teri's Special French Dip 	16	17 Wing Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm	18 SAL Mtg & Aux Volunteer Mtg 6:30pm Bartender Special	19 Ellen Whyte & Sonny Hess 6:30-9:30 pm LIVE MUSIC	20
21 BINGO 2-4pm	22 Teri's Special French Dip 	23  TACO TUESDAY 5:30-7:00pm	24	25 Bartender Special	26 Karaoke 7-10pm	27 ALR Clackamas HS fundraiser: Spaghetti Dinner & Followed by Poker tournament
28 Breakfast 9:00am-Noon BINGO 2-4pm	29 Teri's Special French Dip 	27	28 Wing Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm	29 Post E-board 6:30pm Bartender Special	30	

From the Pulpit:

First, Happy New Year for 2024. I have not seen everyone recover from the Pandemic issues of the past, individual, business even churches are having things that effect them, and changed policies. and long recoveries. But we are getting there. I do see new business opening, from agendas on city council meetings for new business is getting approvals to open. The Post seems to get new members from other locations due to changes. The Post and its Officers have done a lot of up grades and more to come. It would be nice to see new faces who can volunteer for helping at events, dinners and social occasions. As a Chaplain, I listen, watch, and make recommendations but I stay away from " Politics". I do recommend that if you hear rumors ask a Post officer about the subject it. The " Rumor Mill " is not a place to be at any time or place. I write this NOW 13 FEBRUARY 2024 because this article is due 16 February. I would like to start out the new year with some true Christian fellowship (reduces stress and reminders overall):(1). Encourage each other to improve in all things and mature, (2). Be patient with each other (3): Defend each other (4) Support each other, (5) Forgive each other., (6) Listen to each other calmly and not all at one time, (7) Take Action it should not be just words and talk, remember to Love one another which shows itself in action (1 John 3:18). My father said stop, take 3 deep breaths, smile when stress and frustration occurs. (really works). The key here is, if you actually see things that bother you, stop, evaluate, get answers to why it is occurring, think about what you feel needs to be done or nothing, but stay calm, ask if someone needs help before action.

Recently, I have observed that folks do not read all of the Newsletter. Why, because the ask questions that are already in the Newsletter. Another is parking; Parking is allowed at the Chase bank after 7PM, and the Waldorf School, directly across the street, was "letting us" park there if they did not have a function, or school activity. (but do not leave any debris that needs picked up, if its yours take it with you or bring back to the Post).

" Father God, it is a new year, a time to reflect on last year and plan for the "positive" this coming year. Please bless this activity. We have four families that meet and greet each other in the building daily (Post, Auxiliary, ALR, Sons of the American Legion).Lets use

The Post Honor Guard needs your help.

The Post Honor Guard is seeing an increase in requests for assistance at business, other openings for Color Guard, as well as funerals for Military Honors programs. This is not only for veterans of all services, but for the community overall. Most activities are during the week or in the evening, but some on weekends.

We can help with the uniforms, if needed. We provide the training needed. **WE NEED YOU!** contact **Jerry Craig**, (503-723-9988) for additional information.



the true items listed above in Christian Fellowship. For our Post and Legion believe in the Lords work too. Lets have peace, in mind and physical wellbeing to help others and do their work and yours, too. Let us remember that you love us, as we love you. You have often said, Love yourself, love your neighbors, your family, and those around you no matter what.. In your name Heavenly Father, AMEN!"

Chaplain, Jerry Craig

The 4—Chaplains

On February 3, 1943, at 12:30 AM, the U.S.A.T. DORCHESTER was tragically sunk by a German submarine (U-223). Of the 902 young men on board, only 230 survived. Many of those survivors owe their lives to the courage and leadership by the heroic Four Chaplains. These men, who sacrificed their lives by guiding them to boats, giving their own life vests to others, bowing their heads in prayer, and as they sank hearing them singing, while linking their arms together, various religious songs to those who are in the water or in the life boats in the North Atlantic off the coast of Greenland..

The Chaplains all were ordained in separate faiths, had varied backgrounds and educations, actually met each other going to selected colleges directed by their services, but wanted to serve their faiths and their country Alexander D. Goode, married, had a daughter, an ordained Rabbi, and joined the US Army July 21, 1941. George L. Fox was an ambulance driver in WWI, and was decorated for bravery twice and a Purple Heart. He came back, married, went to college, was ordained a Methodist Minister June 10, 1934. He also joined the American Legion in 1936. He joined the US Army Chaplains service August 8, 1942 after coming back from Harvard. Johnny P. Washington was raised in Newark New Jersey, with a Father and Mother who were Irish who had nine mouths to feed. He loved music, sang in church, and loved to fight. He was ordained a Catholic, became a Father in the church, and joined the Army. The fourth was named Clark V. Poling., his father was a chaplain in WWI, and Clark was ordained in 1936 as a Dutch Reformed Minister and accepted assignments to three church's before he was assigned in 1942 to be a Army Chaplain. Now the significant thing to me was that they all went to Chaplains school at Harvard at the same time. They knew each other well and became friends, were all eventually assigned to the USAT Dorchester. Their families each received the Purple Heart and the Distinguished Service Cross at a later date and time. They also posthumously received a Special Medal which was authorized by Congress and awarded by President Eisenhower on January 18, 1961 " The Four Chaplains Medal". It has never been given to anyone since. If you find the time look up the Four Chaplains it is a very interesting story and where they have established a Church and a place to visit Philadelphia, PA.



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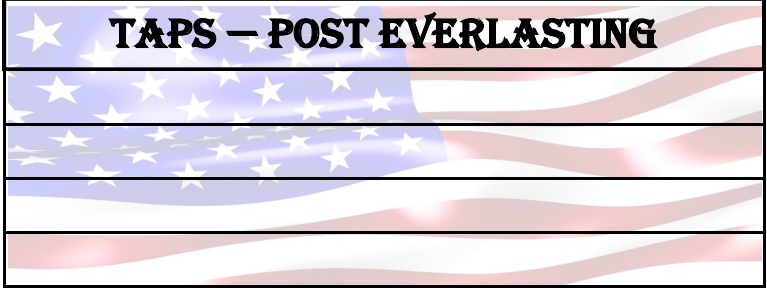
ALL SCHEDULED EVENTS LISTED ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE:

MARCH

- 3/1 Karaoke 7-10 pm
- 3/2 Blood Drive 8:00 am—1:00 pm
- 3/2 Auxiliary Potato Bar 5:30—7 pm
- 3/9— ALR DEC 11:30 am— 3:00 pm
- 3/15 Karaoke 7-10 pm
- 3/16 Beer Club 7:30 am—2 pm
- 3/22 Marty & the Murder Hornets 6:30-9:30 pm
- Live Music**
- 3/23 Auxiliary Kids Easter Party 3—5 pm
- 3/29 Karaoke 7—10 pm

APRIL

- 4/6 Blood Drive 8:00 am—1:00 pm
- 4/13 Peggy Sue Memorial
- 4/19 Ellen Whyte & Sonny Hess 6:30—9:30 pm
- Live Music**
- 4/26 Karaoke 7-10pm



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

HELP RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS

Ongoing meals at Post 180:
Please spread the word and bring a friend down!

Mondays: Teri's Special
March and April.— French Dip
5:30-7pm every Monday

Tuesdays: Taco Tuesday
5:30-7:00pm
*Every other Tuesday,

Wednesday: Chicken Wings
5:30pm-7:00pm
*Every other Wednesday, see calendar

Thursdays: Bartender Special

Sunday: Breakfast 9:00am-Noon
*Every other Sunday, see calendar

New membership year, make sure you have your 2024 membership

You can stop by Post 180 to pay your dues, or you can pay dues online and print your new card immediately, or wait on your new one to come in the mail. <https://www.legion.org/renew>

We are always looking for volunteers and cooks. Volunteers make our meals possible. Sign up sheets are under the white board by the kitchen.



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Historian: Vacant
Chaplain: Jerry Craig (503) 723-9988
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Chaplain: Kathy Cleveland (503) 348-4607
Historian: Vacant
Executive Board: Judy Craig, Judy Muehe, Kathy Williams

MEETING Dates and Times

Post and Auxiliary Meetings on the 1st Thursday of each month:
March 7th & April 4th @ 6:30PM
 ALR Meetings on the 2nd Thursday each month
March 14th & April 11th @ 6:30PM
S.A.L. & AUX Volunteer Meeting on the 3rd Thursday each month:
March 21st & April 18th @ 6:30PM
Post E-Board Meetings Last Thursday each month.
March 28th & April 25th @ 6:30 PM
Honor Guard Meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of each month
March 13th and April 10th @ 6:30pm



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8:00am-1pm
2024 Schedule



Month	Day	Month	Day
January	cancelled	February	10th
March	2nd	April	6th
May	11th	June	8th
July	6th	August	3rd
September	7th	October	5th
November	2nd	December	7th

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	Size	Single	Year (6)	Single	Year (6)
1.5"x2.67"	\$ 10.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 75.00	
3.0"x2.67"	\$ 15.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 22.50	\$ 112.50	
4"x5.25"	\$ 20.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 175.00	
8"x5.25"	\$ 40.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 300.00	

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3/15/24	4/26/24	Marty & the Murder Hornets	Ellen Whyte & Sonny Hess
3/29/24		6:30-9:30 pm	6:30-9:30 pm

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