

Robert Ihlant American Legion Post 537, Auxiliary & Sons of The American Legion



Commander's Corner

Greetings Comrades, Clients & Citizens!

The end spring is here... we welcome in summer with warmer temperatures but it looks like we'll be bringing the late May rain and clouds along into June. Warm sunny summer lake days are within sight yet!

May was the start of the Legion's busiest season. We had a very successful ceremony handing out 13 scholarships to our newest NLS grads. Also leading the Pledge of Allegiance at the NLS graduation, along with three recent graduates entering Americas Armed Forces! Congratulations to Bill Kuperus for running and completing another American Legion Legacy Scholarship Award! The end of May brought us to another honorable Memorial Day Program. Great appreciation goes out to the members of our Legion and SAL's honor/color guard for honoring them at the 13 cemeteries. As well as Pastor Wayne Kopitzke, Jean Rustand for transportation, Jay Gravley for playing taps and Auxiliary for the early morning breakfast service!

If you haven't noticed on the back wall by the bar we have a beautiful donated metal American Flag on display... great thanks goes out to the metal shop at Ridgewater College and Dan Granger for painting the flag! Don't forget to thank and show your appreciation to our fathers on Father's Day.

This month's local and country's Military/Veteran observances involve; PTSD Awareness Day & Month, D-Day, Woman's Veterans Day, Army Birthday, US Flag Day, Coast Guard Auxiliary Birthday and National Flag Day.

As always, please keep our Servicemen/women and Veterans in your thoughts and prayers. Especially our local family and friends currently serving and/or deployed. It is a dangerous world out there and our guardians and protectors stand ready to do their best to ensure our freedom.

Respectfully submitted,

Marwin Schiltz,

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Auxiliary News

Greetings to All!

Happy summer! I think we have had enough rain. It is great to be able to enjoy the outdoors.

NL Auxiliary meeting was held Monday, May 20, here is some information to share:

Charlotte is giving up sewing our Auxiliary vests. I think there is interest, but no volunteers.

Fishing raffle will be June 8th. Tomi and I will be out of town. Can someone let me know if you can help? Tomi has been doing a fabulous job selling at the Legion.

Memorial Day went very well. Tomi, Shelly and I were at the Legion to feed the Legionnaires breakfast in the morning and snacks for them and the Boy Scouts when they were done. Thank you all for your commitment to our fallen.

We have a very busy summer coming up. Officer installation and meal will be held at our June meeting.

Convention will be held in Willmar in July.

Waterdays Omelette Breakfast July 21.

Bloodmobile September 5. We will be signing up at our June meeting or call Bev or Kathy.

Upcoming Events:

Sewing Day: Thursday, June 13

Meeting with Meal: Monday, June 17

Meat Raffle: Monday, June 17 with Colleen, Sandy and Kathy

Workday: Wednesday, June 26

I look forward to seeing you at our meeting. Please remember our fallen, vets and those currently serving our country.

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Greetings to all!

Before writing this newsletter, my daughter Paige and I headed into the field to try to score a wild turkey this morning. Unfortunately, even after dousing ourselves with lemon grass and other bug repellent the mosquitoes got the best of us! Minnesota spring is over and now it's bug season!

This month we will be discussing a fundraiser for the SON'S. We will be talking about a chili cookoff in the fall. More information to follow in the next newsletter.

Miah informed the Squadron that we are at 113 members for 2024. If you have not stopped in and picked up your cards—please do so. On that same note, 2025 membership will start July 1st.

This month we will be conducting the Legion's Meat Raffle on June 3rd and 25th, 2024. This is the Monday meat raffle starting at 5:30pm.

Finally, to the right of this article, are the newly elected officers of Squadron 537. Congratulations to each one, and we look forward to another successful year with the SAL!

Please keep those currently deployed, their families and loved ones in your thoughts and prayers. Freedom has a price, and these veterans understand the cost and sacrifice! Please say a prayer for those that have given the ultimate sacrifice to this nation to keep our freedom and the red, white, and blue flying high above us!

Our June meeting will be June 3rd, 2024, at 6:30pm in the Fireside room.

Respectfully,

Steve Marquardt,
Commander, Squadron #537

Service Officer Report

The Color Guard did honors for Larry Bjork a 44 year member of our Post. We did one funeral at Little Falls. We had two members go to Little Falls for funeral for an MrRS member..

We had a very good turnout for the Memorial Day services that we do. We had 20 Color Guard members and 3 SAL members.

The Ladies Auxiliary, put on a great breakfast for the color guard before starting our rounds to the cemeteries. I can't thank them enough

as they have to be up early get everything ready. So THANK YOU very much.

In June we will be retiring Flags with the Spicer Legion on June 14th Flag day, so bring any torn or faded flags in to one of the Legions and we will take care of them.

Also keep all our Military people in your prayers for a safe return.

Dean Rood, Service Officer

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Saturday: Roasted Half Chicken with Side & Salad Bar \$16

Friday: Chef's Choice

Thursday: Grilled or Battered WALLEYE with Choice of Side

Wednesday: 8 oz. SIRLOIN STEAK with Choice of Side

Tuesday: Sandwich or Burger of the Week with Side \$12

Monday: Steak, Chicken or Shrimp FAJITAS with Side \$14

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Meat Raffle 5:30 Mark Stone 6-10pm
2	3 S.A.L. Meeting 6:20pm Meat Raffle 5:30	4	5	6	7 Calcutta Sign Up Night for Fishing Tourney 7:00pm	8 Meat Raffle 5:30 Under The Radar 6-10pm
9	10 Meat Raffle 5:30	11 BINGO 6:30pm	12	13 Thirsty Thursday Karaoke with the Beaches 6-10pm	14	15 Meat Raffle 5:30 Merchants of Soul 6-10pm
16	17 Meat Raffle 5:30 Legion 8pm	18	19	20	21	22 Meat Raffle 5:30 Roy Holdern 6-10pm
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