

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



## Commander's Corner

*Greetings Comrades, Clients & Citizens!*

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October has brought the semi-fall weather and start of changing foliage. Starting the fall with a hot sunny 80's lake day was a rare blessing, that seems to be trickling to warm 70's in and out of this month. Enjoy the days while you can!

We are in full gear presenting our Legion Color Guard every NLS football home game, and it has been a great honor and success. Friday, October 4 will be the annual Minnesota Fallen Heroes Football Game at NLS. The annual event honors and remembers our Minnesota Military Service members and emergency responders who died in the line of duty. The event starts at NLS at 4:30pm with police and motorcycle parade escort of visiting team.

Please continue to join us for our weekly entertainment and dining specials! Once again great thanks to our members, volunteers, staff and patrons for making it a successful month again!

This month's local and country's Military/Veteran observances involve; US Navy Birthday, Day of the deployed and Navy 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,*  
Commander



## Auxiliary News

*Greeting!*

Fall is in the air. Hopefully it won't bring the invasion of Asian beetles and box elder bugs.

Our regular meeting was held Monday, September 16. Unfortunately, we did not have a quorum with 8 members present. Approval of Standing Rules and 2024-2025 budget will take place during our October meeting.

Fallen Heroes at the NLS football game will be held Friday October 4.

The American Red Cross blood drive was a success with 53 units collected. Thank you to our supportive community, Peace Church for the use of the building and all the wonderful unit members for volunteering their time and service.

Dues are \$35 for members and 10 for junior members. Mary K is still our membership chairman.

Mary K will contact the elementary school for the Americanism essay. The theme this year is: "What does America the Beautiful mean to me regarding our Vets and Military".

### Upcoming Events:

Sewing Day: .....October 10  
Meat Raffle: .....October 21,  
Bev, Naomi and Kathy will be working  
Auxiliary Meeting .....at 6:30, October 21  
Work Day if needed .....October 30

Please remember all fallen heroes, current and former service members, and POW/MIA.

Respectfully submitted, *Kathy Kessler*

## Service Officer Report

We had 2 funerals at Little Falls last month. We had 2 members attend the quarterly meeting for the MRS at Little Falls. The outlook for the Federal stipend to be reinstated doesn't look good, so write to your legislators to reinstate the stipend so we can still do honors for our Veterans.

Veterans Resource event at Willmar Legion on October 17, goes from 11am till 2, lunch will be provided.

At the last general meeting the members decided to start the general meeting at 7 pm instead of 8. So be there an hour earlier.

We had 6 members participate in the SpiceFest in Spicer to present the

## S. A. L. News

*Greetings to all!*

Setting down to write this newsletter, 2 days from October and it 74 degrees outside. Leaves are falling, fields are being harvested, and soon I will be hitting the countryside chasing some ringnecks! Looking forward to the cool down!

Please keep in mind that the farmers will be working hard to harvest the fall crops. With the nice weather, things will be in high speed, and they will be on the roads with implements. Please give them the courtesy when meeting and passing them!

This month we will working on donations for our Poultry Bingo Event set for November 23rd; doors will open at 10:00am and bingo starts at 11:00am. Turkeys have been ordered; raffles have been set. It is amazing how our community supports this event! A big thank you to all those that help us get this event together!

I hope everyone has a chance to attend Fallen Heroes Football game on October 4, 2024, at Pederson Field on Friday Night. It is a true honor to part of this event as S.A.L. members.

The S.A.L. will be conducting the Monday evening meat raffle on October 7th. We will also be running it on October 28th. We look forward to seeing all of you at this event!

Our next meeting is set for October 7th, 2024. We will meet at 6:30pm, in the Fireside room. As always, please keep those currently deployed, their families and loved ones in your thoughts and prayers. With all the current worldwide tension, we need to be evermore mindful of the sacrifices that are being made.

Respectfully,  
*Steve Marquardt,*  
Commander, Squadron #537

colors along with Spicer Legion.

October 4th is the Honors game. We want as many color guard members to come in uniform, along with S.A.L. members, Auxiliary members also to carry flags or just be present. We will gather at the Legion at 5 so we can get things coordinated. So mark your calendars.

Also keep all deployed personnel in your prayers so they come home safe.

*Dean Rood,* Service Officer



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**Saturday: Homemade Meatloaf with Side & Salad Bar \$17**

**Friday: Chef's Special**

**Thursday: Grilled or Battered WALLEYE with Choice of Side**

**Wednesday: 8 oz. SIRLOIN STEAK With Choice of Side**

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**OCTOBER 2024**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	Meat Raffle 5:30 Phil Berbig 6-10pm
6	7 S.A.L. Meeting 6:30pm Meat Raffle 5:30	8	9	10 Thirsty Thursday Karaoke with Giddy Up 6-10pm	11	12 Meat Raffle 5:30 Juke Box Live 6-10pm
13	14 Meat Raffle 5:30 Auxiliary 6:30 Legion 8:00	15 BINGO 6:30pm	16	17	18	19 Meat Raffle 5:30 Merchants of Soul 6-10pm
20	21 Meat Raffle 5:30 Legion 8pm Aux. Meeting 6:30	22 BINGO 6:30pm	23	24 Thirsty Thursday Karaoke with Dan Burns 6-10pm	25	26 Meat Raffle 5:30 Halloween Party with Under The Radar 6-10 pm Best Halloween Costume \$30 Gift Card
27	28 Meat Raffle 5:30	29	30	31 <i>Happy Halloween!</i>		