

POST 328, SAINT JOSEPH

AMERICAN LEGION



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This bimonthly newsletter's purpose is to inform all the patriotic members of American Legion Post 328 of the good works and upcoming events of our Post.

A WORD FROM THE COMMANDER

Dear Fellow Legionnaires,

As we head towards the waning days of summer, we have many of you to thank. The Fourth of July activities and float, the Fast Pitch Girls Softball Tournament, and the Legion Picnic went off wonderfully because of so many of you dedicating your time and energy to make these events possible. We can never say "Thank you" enough. No event we plan can get going without the selfless volunteering of all of you.

Our next event is our Early Bird Dinner on Sept 10th, 6 to 8 PM. Come to the post and pay those dues and enjoy a dinner with your spouse or significant other. We have a signup sheet at the bar for a rough count, but walk in is OK. The idea is paying dues and enjoying a nice meal and time with other members. If you cannot get through to the bar and want to let us know you are coming, please call me. I would add you to the list too. But just come. We can use cleanup help. Washing dishes and cleaning the room. Please volunteer if you can. Just call me if you can help. A reminder, the Veteran's Day Dinner will be on Veteran's Day. Enjoy the evening at the post. You will not have to stand in line waiting at a restaurant for a free meal. There will be more on this in our next newsletter.

Finally, a request for help to continue our activities. We need bingo help, help with our Color Guard and Post Home involvement. Bingo is a nice ongoing activity needing workers to collect and

organize. The Color Guard badly needs new involvement, our members have been very dedicated, serving 30+ years. Post Home members with some experience maintaining a facility are needed to help make decisions on post building maintenance. Please call and volunteer. I can get your name to Todd Corrow- (Bingo), Gary Dietman- (Color Guard), or myself- (Post Home). These activities cannot continue indefinitely without new involvement.

As always, be safe and enjoy a this Fall,

Thomas Kremer, Commander

VOLUNTEERS

Well, one good thing, the vegetables are growing good.

We got our results from the State Legion bowling tournament. Our teams did really well,---2nd & 3rd place in team event, 19th place in doubles, 4th, 19th, and 26th in singles events, and 17th & 20th in all around events. We took home \$1,202.00 in prize money. PLEASE give them a thumbs up.

We also hosted the Girl's Legion Fast Pitch Softball Tournament held at St. Ben's campus. Results on the burger sale were very good. We hope to host again in the future.

Our annual picnic held on the 16th of August had a good turnout. Food was good, talk was good and games were good. Please plan on attending next year.

Coming up on the 30th of August is the Millstream Arts Fair. We will be having a burger/brat sale on the Legion grounds. Please volunteer. The signup sheet is posted at the Legion, If you cannot get through to the Legion, call me and I will get you on the sheet. Also there is a

signup (RSVP) sheet for next month's Early Bird Dinner. Call me if you cannot get through on the Legion's number.

Mike Twedt Fundraising Chair

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Hello Auxiliary Members, I hope your summer was relaxing and now time to get back to our meetings!

Thank you to all the Auxiliary Members that brought desserts for our annual picnic on Sunday August 16th, they were delicious!!

The next Auxiliary Meeting is Tuesday September 1, 2026 at 6:30 PM at the Legion Clubhouse. Please plan on attending. Also, our Auxiliary Membership Dues for 2027 are due and the cost is \$35.00.

The next casino trip is planned for Thursday, September 3rd, to Prairies Edge in Granite Falls, leaving the Legion Clubhouse at 8:00 AM. The cost is \$47.00 per person and \$15.00 will be put on your card. Any questions, please contact Mary Menzhuber. On Friday,

September 4th we will have our annual bake sale at Sentry Bank in St. Joseph at 8:30 AM until items are sold out. Please plan on baking something for this event. We will also need volunteers for this event. Please volunteer to help if you are available. Delrose Fischer is the chairperson for the bake sale. Please contact her for questions.

Also, a request from the VA Hospital – if you have any empty Christmas gift bags, the VA would love to have them for the gifts they purchase. You can bring them to our meeting or drop off at the Legion Clubhouse.

Bonnie Gohmann, American Legion Auxiliary President

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

My Fellow SAL Members.
We hope to grow because new members add enthusiasm. If you know someone that could become a SAL Member, ask him/her to join. Our next meeting is on Monday, September 7th at 7:00 pm.
Chad Phillipp, SAL Commander

MEETING DATES-MARK THEM DOWN

(NOTE: LEGION MEETING DAY – THE 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH)

September SAL Meeting.....	September 7th, 7:00 pm
September Auxiliary Meeting.....	September 1 st , 6:30 pm
September Executive Board Meeting.....	September 22nd, 6:00 pm
September General Membership Meeting.....	September 22nd, 7:00 pm
October SAL Meeting.....	October 5th, 7:00 pm
October Auxiliary Meeting.....	October 6th, 6:30
October Executive Board Meeting.....	October 27th, 6:00 pm
October General Membership Meeting.....	October 27th, 7:00 pm

MEMBERSHIP

Congratulations to all - Post 328 hit our goal of 214 paid members for 2026. Special thanks to those who helped in contacting members who were a little slow in renewals for 2026.
Starting July 1st, we have started collecting dues for 2027 and we are well on our way, with 106 out of 213 dues paid. Please keep promoting Post 328 by suggesting membership when appropriate.

David Menzhuber, Membership Chairman

Honor Guard News

The Color Guard represented us well leading the parade on the Fourth of July with our Float right behind them. They also opened the Legion Girls Fast Pitch Tournament on July 31st with the colors at the opening banquet for that event. Chaplin Dennis Meemken also supplied invocations throughout that event when needed. The Honor Guard (Memorial Rifle Squad), presented colors before the opening games each day for the Girls Fast Pitch Tournament August 1st and 2nd. The squad was out for services often as well. June 26th, August 3rd and August 11th for Memorial Rifle Squad members. Plus, our regular dates at the Minnesota Veteran’s Cemetery which were on July 17th and August 21st. We also lost one of our own-Al Theisen and honored Al at his service and burial July 24th. Finally, we were asked to render honors for Bonita Krekelberg on July 29th. As mentioned often in this notice, we need your involvement to continue this service. Please contact us and volunteer. **Tom Kremer**

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TWEDT, SSG CRAIG BANKS, RICH SCHWEGEL, MARK GOHMANN,
TOM KREMER, PRENTISS FOSTER, ARNIE COURT & DAVE LOSO

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