

Minneapolis/Richfield Post 435 American Legion News

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Unit and Post 435 are proud to host the National President for dinner.

National President Dinner to be held at Richfield Post 435
Wednesday, Oct. 2
 Social hour 5pm, Dinner 5:30pm

CALL Joy DeLong for reservations 612-298-0485

pork chop, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, salad, roll & butter, coffee
\$15.00

Annual Chili Cookoff
 Sunday, October 13th
 Vikings/Carolina game half-time until 3:30
 \$5.00 endless bowl
 Vote for your favorite!

Omelet Breakfast
October 20
November 17
December 15



Craft Fair
Bake Sale

Sunday, October 27th
 Bake sale, crafts, food. 10 a.m.

Richfield American Legion Presents
Mr. Mystery Productions: "Cabin Fever"

Saturday, November 16th. Doors open at 6:30. Dinner starts at 7:00
 Call the Post for tickets (612) 866-3647.

\$20
 Dinner and show

BURGER Nights!
 2nd & 4th Wednesdays
 5 – 7 p.m.

Sundays, starting August 4th

Rockin' Woody
 Formerly of the Rockin' Hollywoods

Live music, fun and a whole lot more!
 from 4 - 7 p.m.

Meat Raffle
Fridays 4:30-6:30
Saturdays 4:30-6:30

VETERANS DAY
 2013
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NOVEMBER 11, 2013
 HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

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Commander's Column



Congratulations to our new National Commander Dan Dellinger of Vienna, VA. His theme is "Building for Tomorrow- Today." His project is to earn \$1 million for the National Emergency Fund. We wish for him and the American Legion a good year. We also congratulate Nancy Brown-Park, our new National Auxiliary President. She will be here for dinner on October 2nd. Please make her feel welcome.

Fall Conference is being held in Marshall on October 17th and 18th. This is a great time to learn about the programs of the American Legion, so please attend if you can. There is registration information in the Minnesota Legionnaire.

Please watch and keep our children safe for Halloween. Don't forget to vote on November 5th. November 11th is Veterans Day. Thank a veteran for their service to our country. The Beyond the Yellow Ribbon committee is planning to have a short memorial at the Honoring All Veterans Memorial in Veterans Park at 1:00 PM.

The Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Committee is sponsoring the "Wreaths Across America" program. The cost of the wreath is \$15. Information flyers are at the Post.

The shared bookshelf is doing very well and we could use some more books. I hope you are enjoying it.

January 1st from 1:00-3:00 is our Tom and Jerry Party. This is free for all members with their 2014 membership paid.

Hope you have an enjoyable Thanksgiving and a wonderful Holiday Season.

For God and Country,
Merv Becker, Commander

President's Column



We are happy to begin fall with the start of our programs.

We will once again be honored to host a dinner for our National Auxiliary President on October 2nd here at our Post. Dinner will be a pork chop, mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing, salad and a roll for \$15. Please call Joy at (612) 298-0485 to reserve by September 25th.

Our Omelet Breakfasts begin in September and continue through May on the third Sunday of each month. Thank you in advance to our dedicated volunteers led by Runway and Cleo. Without our volunteers, our programs would not be so successful.

Our fall Craft Fair and Bake Sale is on Sunday, October 27th beginning at 10 a.m. We can use donations of baked goods which can be dropped off on Saturday, October 26th. Our Spring Craft Fair and Bake Sale netted us over \$1,100 which, of course, goes to our veteran programs.

Our Christmas party for children under 12 is Sunday, December 8th from 1 to 3 p.m. Our deployed family Christmas basked is Saturday, December 14th at 7:30 a.m. We will take reservations from November 15th through December 1st by calling (612) 298-0485.

We are saddened by the passing of our Past Auxiliary Gambling Manager, Jan Gallas, and our Current Gambling Manager, Cindy Cierzan. Cindy worked hard to sell the paddlewheel tickets for over two years, and she will be greatly missed by all!

Please remember our veterans on Veterans Day, November 11th. God bless our veterans, the deployed and their families, and all of us in this great country.

Joy DeLong, Auxiliary President

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Bloomington, MN 55420

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"ONE OF A KIND"
Ron Lund on the keyboard

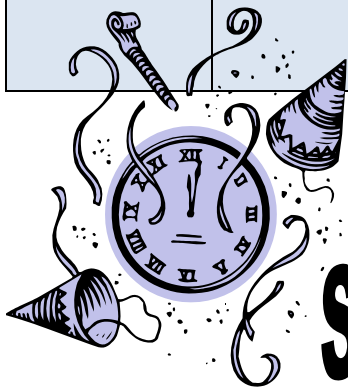
For those who like the oldies
Anniversaries, Birthdays, Retirement parties
Call (612) 926-8150

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Lounge specials all day. Music by Rockin' Woody.	Lounge specials. Bargo 5-7pm. BLUE MONDAY with Willie Murphy. Rib special!	Lunch 11am-1:45pm. TEXAS HOLDDEM 7 pm. Taco special! Happy hour 9pm-12am.	Lunch 11am-1:45pm. Karaoke 8:30pm. Happy hour 9pm-12am.	Lunch 11am-1:45pm. Dinner 4:30-7:30pm. Dining Room Specials. Bargo 5-7pm. Happy hour 9pm-12am.	Lunch 11am-1:45pm. Meat raffle 4:30-6:30pm. Dinner 5-8:30pm.	Lounge specials 8am-2pm. Dinner 5-8:30pm.
<h1>October 2013</h1>			1 National President's Dinner. Social 5pm, dinner 5:30pm.	2 	3 4 SUB LEVEL 6	5 SUB LEVEL 6
6 VAMC Hospital Visitation, 2pm.	7	8 Gun Club mtg 7:30 pm	9 Burger Nite 5-7pm.	10	11 WAY BACK WHENS	12 WAY BACK WHENS
13 CHILI COOKOFF! 	14	15	16 	17	18 ROADHOUSE	19 ROADHOUSE
20 Omelet Breakfast 8:00-12:30	21 SAL mtg 7:30	22 P&F mtg 6pm. Exec Board mtg 7pm.	23 Burger Nite 5-7pm.	24	25 D.B. COOPER	26 HALLOWEEN PARTY! D.B. COOPER
27 Auxiliary Craft Fair and Bake Sale. 10 a.m.	28 	29 Post mtg 7pm.	30 	31 HALLOWEEN.	1 BRIAN NAUGHTON	2 BRIAN NAUGHTON
3 VAMC hospital visitation, 2pm.	4	5	6	7 	8 VICIOUS FISH	9 VICIOUS FISH
10 	11	12 Bingo party, MN Vets Home Mpls, 7pm. Gun Club mtg 7:30pm.	13 Burger Nite 5-7pm.	14	15 SUGAR BUZZ	16 Mystery Dinner Theater. 7pm. SUGAR BUZZ
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24	25	26 Post mtg 7pm.	27 Burger Nite 5-7pm.	28 THANKSGIVING. POST CLOSED.	29 WILDFIRE	30 WILDFIRE
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<h1 style="font-size: 2em;">December 2013</h1>					Comedian Jeff Gerbino. SUB LEVEL 6	SUB LEVEL 6
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		Gun Club mtg 7:30pm.	Burger Nite 5-7pm.		TBA	TBA
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	P&F mtg 6pm. Exec Board mtg 7pm.	CHRISTMAS EVE.	CHRISTMAS DAY. POST CLOSED. Burger Nite 5-7pm.		D.B. COOPER	D.B. COOPER
29	30	31				
	Post mtg 7pm.	NEW YEAR'S EVE Special menu. D.B. COOPER				



Join us for New Year's Eve!

Special menu, music, party favors!

Tom & Jerry's on New Year's Day 1-3pm.



Important Notice for all Post 435 Members

The IRS is requiring all American Legion posts to provide proof of membership eligibility. The IRS can demand that our post provide it with DD214 forms, which is the certificate of release of discharge from active duty, for every member.

Posts that can't or won't comply face heavy fines.

Post 435 has some DD214 forms on file. Several years ago our cabinet was broken into and the old files were stolen. The ones we have were recently handed to us.

We need your help in this project. Could you resubmit a COPY of your DD214 to the Membership Director, Jerry Martin? This will protect our post from any fines that may arise.

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Merv Becker

1st Vice Commander

Tom Eckhoff

2nd Vice Commander

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Dennis DeLong

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Direct all questions or comments to Post 435 during business hours at (612) 866-3647

Toastmasters

Our mission is to help shape your future. Toastmasters started in 1924 with the intention of helping men and women become more confident in front of an audience or when making a presentation at work or on a team. It is a 'learn by doing' program to help you become a better speaker and leader. You will be comfortable meeting new people, share their thoughts and ideas. You will have the confidence to set and reach your goals. With Toastmasters you will gain that confidence to become a leader or be next in line for a promotion at work. As you grow within the Organization Toastmasters International will send a letter to your employer informing them of your progress, if you so desire. Our group is a small but strong group. We enjoy our meetings as we learn. Please visit us Thursdays at 6:30 pm at the Legion Club.

I know you will decide that we are a unique group. Visitors are welcome. Bring a friend, neighbor, spouse - anyone you are comfortable with.

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Happier Hour

Tues-Thurs
 9pm-12am
 2 for 1
 On selected beverages

Advertising Rates. Business card size = \$45 for three issues (6 months). Send business card or camera-ready art and your check to American Legion Post 435, Attn: Newsletter Advertising, 6501 Portland Ave. So., Richfield, MN 55423

Lounge Specials

Vikings, Wolves TV Specials
 20 oz. tap \$3.00

Saturdays, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
 Phillips Bloody Mary's or Screwdrivers \$3.00
Sundays, open - 2 p.m.
 Phillips Bloody Mary's or Screwdrivers \$3.00

Dining Room Lunch Specials
Tues. - Wed. - Thurs.
 Miller Hi-Life tap, Heileman's Old Style cans, Rail Martini's, Manhattans, Gimlets



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SAL 435



The Sons of the American Legion general membership meets on the third Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

Manager's Message

Hello,

John here, at the end of summer if you can call it that. It seems like two weeks ago I was shoveling. No sense complaining; may as look forward to a beautiful fall, I hope.

Looking ahead at the club; we will keep you so busy you will forget how cold it is out there. Please mark your calendar for November 16th. We will host a Mystery Dinner Theatre. You have to figure "Who Done it", "How Done it" and "Why Done it". This is great fun and tickets are on sale in the office, or call to purchase over the phone. All seats are reserved. When you purchase your ticket you will have a choice of chicken or beef for your main entrée. Ticket price is \$20 for dinner and the show.

Jeff Gerbino, comedian, seen on the Tonight show with Carson and Leno, Late Night with Letterman, puts on a great show and will be here December 6th, for one show. There will be a couple of comedians before him. Ticket price will be \$10.

The Minnesota Magicians of the North American Hockey League, playing at the Richfield Ice Arena, will have an opening day tent party in our parking lot on September 28th. Please make a point of coming down to show your support, have a beer and a hamburger before they start their game.

As I mentioned in the previous newsletter that the club will offer a beer punch card; well, good news; they are in my office and ready for sale. You get 15 pints of beer for \$40. This entitles you to every beer we have on tap and then one extra of your favorite. This would make an excellent Christmas gift. These will also be sold out of the office and will go to members first. I will do the math for you—that's \$2.67 a pint, and these cards will go quick, so please bring in your Christmas list and buy some beer cards.

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CUTOFF IS THE 5TH OF THE FOLLOWING MONTHS: MARCH, JUNE, SEPTEMBER, DECEMBER.

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