#### 2019 April May

# Minneapolis-Richfield American Legion Post 435 News



**Commander** Mark Barthel

First Vice Casey Ludewig

Second Vice Open

Adjutant Open

Finance Jim Morris

**Chaplain** Open

Service Officer Lynn Lyons

Membership Terry Hansen

Sargent at Arms
Gary Anderson

Executive Board 2nd to the Last Tuesday of the month at 7PM

Membership meeting Last Tuesday of the month at 7 PM Due to the flood and other conflicts the editor was unable to complete the Jan/Feb newsletter. We have merged them into the April May newsletter. - Editor

# Commander Mark Barthel

#### January/February Article

Greetings to members of American Legion Post #435 and others in the Minneapolis-Richfield American Legion family! I hope this newsletter finds all members of our American Legion Family well and safe.

First and foremost, let me pay my condolences to those members that have passed on from this world to their final resting place. May their presence with family & friends been of great fulfillment and their service to our great country, a proud moment in their legacy. Their families and friends will dearly miss them all.

January 1<sup>st</sup> was our annual Tom & Jerry's New Years membership get together. The turn out was slightly smaller than last year, but I believe it was enjoyed by all that attended

Membership for the 2019 year continues to come in and thank you to all that have already renewed for 2019. The dues collected remained at \$50 and what our local Post keeps out of that is extremely helpful in the functioning of Post #435. If you have already received your 2019 membership card and receive a RENEWAL letter in the mail, please disregard them. They're generated automatically from the National organization and there is lag time between the Department forwarding current data to Indianapolis. Terry Hansen again is doing a great job this year as our membership director!

The US flag retirement box now sits in the entry way to our Post building is being utilized. Flags are being dropped off for disposal as intended by Levi Johnson, the Eagle Scout that built the box for us. Please use this if you have American flags that are in need of retirement & disposal. Thank you Levi, from all at Post #435!

Upcoming events at the Post #435 building:

Membership continues to come in to our membership director. I've been provided a list of dozens of names and their other information from Department headquarters. If you Continued on Page 3



A fire sprinkler head froze and them went off in the South Entrance and flooded the entryway, hallway, office, Flag room, Auditorium and storage space. We are curently working to recover from this damage.



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President Jill Davis

Greetings everyone! Spring is finally in the air and we have our longer days back. I know I am enjoying the sun being out after I am done working for the day.

The Auxiliary has a gambling license and we have been running a meat raffle two days a week for the last 3 years. Our Gambling Manager, Terri Munson has notified the Auxiliary that she would like to retire from this position. We appreciate her dedication over the last 3 years to get our gambling operations up and running. We are looking for someone to take on this paid position. There is job qualifications and description later in this newsletter.

The Auxiliary has the Vicki Jo Springer Scholarship and it is available to for graduating seniors from high school children of the Legion Family. Please contact Penny Becker at 612-866-2847 and leave a message with your phone number and she will call you back and provide the requirements and mail out the application. There are many years where we only receive one or two applications so this is "easy" money for a graduating senior.

Thank you for your patronage to the Auxiliary Omelet Breakfast. Your attendance has allowed us to support the operations of Unit 435 as well as a number of different groups. Due to Easter falling on the 3rd Sunday in April we will not be having an Omelet Breakfast in April. We will be back in the fall on Sunday October 20th. We hope to see everyone in the fall.

Annual Reports will be due in mid-April. The reporting period runs from April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019. We want to know how much time you have spent volunteering at the VA, volunteering at a Food Shelf, helping our veterans (non-family member) or any other American Legion Family program. This information is compiled at a Unit, District, State and National level and reported to Congress each year. Let us know what you have been doing so that Congress knows as well! Write-up what you have done and either email to me at jfd@pro-ns.net or mail it to the Post – American Legion Auxiliary; 6501 Portland Ave S., Richfield MN 55423. Please get this information to me AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Poppy time will soon be upon us. Our Poppy chairman plans to have Poppy Cards available starting the first part of May at the Legion. We will also be sending out our annual poppy mailing at the end of April. This is the only program where 100% of all proceeds go directly to our veterans' programs and their dependents. Please support this worthy cause of the American Legion Auxiliary.

God bless our Troops and our Veterans!





The Auxiliary will be sponsoring Bingo at the Veterans home on Weds. April 17<sup>th</sup> and Weds. May 15<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for volunteers to assist the residents with playing bingo and interacting with them. Please arrive at the Veterans Home by 6:45pm. We are done shortly after 8pm.



President Jill Davis

First Vice Penny Becker

**Second Vice** 

Secratary Sherry Morris

Finance Joanne Davis

> Chaplain Cathy Ritter

Membership Sherry Morris

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# Commander Mark Barthel Continued

have some time to give it would be great to look over this list and see how many of those listed are still available to get back on the membership rolls. Next meeting is as always on the last Tuesday of the month (January 29th and February 26th). At the January meeting we will be holding a special election to fill the Finance Officer and 1-2 At Large positions on the Executive Board. People are currently on the ballot for both and names will be taken off the floor that night, in January, before we vote.

Please come to the meeting and get involved.

Monthly Mpls VA hospital visitation is always the 1st Sunday of the month, at 2:00 pm. Meet with the others attending at the hospital. January 6th visit at the hospital included 8 members from our Post visiting with patients in the hospital.

Please support the Post and all of the programs that taken place within the American Legion family. We need your involvement to help things proceed and be successful.

Thank you and I hope all of you have a wonderful and joyful, holiday season this coming Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years periods. If you have time, always keep in mind our club's restaurant and lounge. There may be some shorter hours or closures so that our staff can be with their families at the holidays too.

See you at our American Legion Post home building!

#### **April-May**

Greetings to the members of America n Legion Post #435 and others in the Minneapolis-Richfield American Legion family! April 1st will soon be upon us as the weather it appears has decided to move fast-forward into spring. I hope this newsletter finds you all well and safe.

We have hired Diane Kraft Miller to be our next Controller (formerly known as the book keeper). She comes to us with the type of experience & knowledge that will help us move forward and hopefully prosper along the way. When you see her at the Post home, introduce yourself and welcome her to Post #435.

Also, a search has been underway to hire a new general manager to run the business side of our American Legion home. Outgoing GM, Richard Hervieux, is transitioning into retirement and now calls Arkansas home. If you see Richard at the Post, I hope you'll tell him "Thank you" for the job he's done in bringing some new & different opportunities to the Post. It has been a busy year and it all started with the events held at our Post during the 100th National Convention! Thank you Richard for all that you have done for our Post. I appreciate your dedication to Post #435 over your time here.

Membership for the 2019 year continues to come in and thank you to all of the men and women member that have already renewed for 2019.

We have a number of 2018 members that have not yet renewed. If you're one of them, please do so, at your earliest convenience. The dues collected remain \$50 and what our local Post keeps out of that is extremely helpful in the functioning of Post #435. Great job by Terry Hansen again this year as the membership director!

We are in the process of selecting our upcoming Boys State representatives for this summer at Collegeville, near St Cloud, MN. The selection process is very competitive amongst the high-caliber youth that want to attend. Chuck Munson and I will be making those selections this early April.

Upcoming events at the Post #435 building:

- 1. Detachment Commander Shawn Davis Testimonial & Dinner, on Saturday, April 6th in the Auditorium.
- 2. Memorial Day ceremonies on Monday, May 27th. More details to follow. Continued on Page 4

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# Commander Mark Barthel Continued

3. 35th Annual District American Legion Family Convention in Bloomington, MN at the Holiday Inn, on May 31st and June 1st.

At the upcoming meetings we will receive nominations for those that want to be officers and board members for the 2019-2020 American Legion year. Watch for the date when that election will be held. Come and join your brothers and sisters at the

regular monthly meeting, on the last Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. Please! The success of our Post depends on all of us to assist and help make Post #435 a great place for our members and guests to come to.

Monthly Mpls VA hospital visitation is always the 1st Sunday of the month, at 2:00 pm. Upcoming meeting dates with the others attending at the hospital, is on April 7th and May 5th.

Please try and find time in your busy lives to support the Post & Unit programs that take place within the American Legion family. We need everyone's involvement to help things proceed and be successful. See you at the American Legion!







### American Legion Auxiliary Unit 435 - Gambling Manager

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 435 is seeking to fill the position of Gambling Manager to run the Meat Raffle and Tip Board Operations.

Qualifications: Member of the American Legion Auxiliary and be able to pass a background check. Previous experience with Meat Raffles and/or Tip Boards is a plus. Attend a two day Gambling Manager seminar and pass the associated exam.

Duties: Maintain the Unit 435 Gambling operations. This includes ordering meat for the raffles, maintaining inventory, selling Meat Raffles and Tip Boards, and completing the necessary reports for the Minnesota Gambling Control Board and Department of Revenue. The Gambling Manager is also responsible to make sure the Gambling Operations are in compliance with the Rules and Regulations that govern Charitable Gambling. Attend two meetings per month – a Gambling audit meeting and the Auxiliary General Membership meeting. This is a paid position.

If you are interest in this position or would like more information, please contact Sherry Morris at 612-861-2589 or morris.sherrry40@gmail.com or Jill Davis at 612-968-1172 or jfd@pro-ns.net.

Sunday BARGO at 10 Happy Hour 3-6 Kitchen open 11 - 5 Music at 3	Monday Happy Hour 3-6 Kitchen open 3-7 Meat Raffle 5-7 BARGO 5-7:30 Music 7:30	Tuesday Happy Hour All Day Kitchen open 11-1:45, 5-7 Taco Tues Music at 5, Kaoraoke at 8	Wednesday Happy Hour 3-6 Kitchen open 11-1:45, 5-7 Music at 5	Thursday Happy Hour 3-6 Kitchen open 11-1:45, 5-7 BARGO 5-7 Meat Raffle 5-7 Music at 7	Friday Happy Hour 3-6 Kitchen open 11-1:45, 5-8:30 Music at 8:30 AYCE Fish Fry Prime Rib	Saturday Happy Hour 3-6 Kitchen open 3-8:30 Music at 8:30 Prime Rib
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April 7 VA Hospital Visitation Band - Rocking Woody	April 8  Band - Willie  Murphy Memorial  Band	April 9 CMP 6:30 pm Gun Club 7:30 pm Band - Rock Rangers	April 10 BOB Country All Request Lunch hour ALR meeting 7 pm Band - Nayman Brothers	April 11 Richfield Toastmasters Band -	April 12 Band - Sub Level 6	April 13 -Dept Jr Aux Conference -Appreciation Rally Band - Sub Level 6
April 14  Band - Rockin Woody	April 15 Band - Nazmo King	April 16 Band - Rock Rangers	April 17 BOB Country All Request Lunch hour SAL Membership Meeting 7 pm	April 18 Richfield Toastmasters Band -	April 19 Band - Night Shift	April 20 Holy Saturday Passover begins Band - Night Shift
April 21 CLOSED Happy Easter!	April 22 Band - Willie Murphy Memorial Band	April 23 Exec Meeting 7 pm Band - Rock Rangers	April 24 BOB Country All Request Lunch hour Band — Naymon Brothers	April 25 Band -	April 26 Orthodox Good Friday Band - Way Back Whens	April 27 Passover ends Band - Way Back Whens
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Commander Nils Hudyma

First Vice Open

Second Vice Open

**Adjutant** Criag Sorum

Finance Shawn Davis

**Chaplain**Pat Kiehl

Meeting on 3rd Wed of the month at 7PM

# Commander Nils Hudyma

Greetings from your Sons of The American Legion Squad 435. Hope this finds you well.

We are working on our membership after the loss of our First Vice Commander and are close to being caught up. We are working on setting up an online transactions for membership. Keep an eye out for that in the future.

We are accepting nominations for officers for the 2019-2020 year. If you are interested in stepping up to being a leader of this great organization, please attend our April meeting on Wednesday April 17 at 7 pm. Or contact us at sal@mnlegion435.org

If you have not heard the SAL donation to the Child Welfare Foundation (CWF) just topped \$8 million dollars. The CWF is the primary charity that the SAL donates to. It is a charity that helps other charities fund programs for the youth of America. Local charities who have benefited from donations include

Minnesota Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (www.mofas.org) was awarded \$54,735 for a project to raise awareness, educate, and build an interest in FASD and its implications.

Pab's Packs (www.pabspacks.org) a grant was provided \$15,000 to provide packs to comfort for Chronically III Teens. The packs will provide custom designed backpacks, filled with comfort items to chronically ill teens in the hospital.

If you are interested in donating or have any questions, please contact us.





Director Shawn Davis

Save the Date!

The Minnesota American Legion Riders (ALR) Legacy Run is set for August 1 through August 4 and August 9 through August 11. The kickoff party will be held on Thursday August 1 in Pipestone, MN. The first weekend will be through Southern Minnesota.

The second weekend will be the following weekend. Starting point is still being determined, but the last stop will be in the metro. We will probably confirm that ending party as this goes to print, so keep stay tuned!

Want to learn more come to our meetings on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm.

Motorcycles are starting to come out of storage, so this is a good time to remind everyone to keep an eye out for motorcycles! Put down that phone and watch the road.

Be safe out there and keep the rubber side down.



**Director** Shawn Davis

Vice Joanne Davis

Ride Capt Russ Jobe

Secretary Jill Davis

**Finance** Lee Davis

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