



Feb, March & April  
2019

# The Legion Eagle

Volume 94

## FROM THE COMMANDER'S DESK

Hello Legion Family,

There is a lot of exciting things being worked on with our organization. We have some committees formed to work through the details and more information will be disseminated as things materialize. So what is this all about you might ask:

- Queen of Hearts Raffle
- Expanding the Bar Area
- 100 Year American Legion Celebratory Events

We'll see what the committees determine is best for our members. Always know that if you are interested in being involved in any of the activities with our organization, please speak up. Everyone has a voice.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our Auxiliary's upcoming Mardi Gras, our Legion Rider's Luau and the Family of Clubs Fish Frys during Lent.

For now, I will enjoy the rest of my vacation in Florida, as the rest of you prepare for the weekend snow.

***Ty Cobb; Commander***

## FROM THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Well, here we are in the New Year. The Holidays are behind us, and hopefully all of you local folks got a chance to stop by the Post to enjoy the Holiday decorations. Now we are getting ready for the Super Bowl Party and the big raffle. You should have received tickets in the mail and it is vitally important that we sell these. And besides...you might just win.

We are at about 85% of our Membership goal, and I'd like to thank those of you who have renewed. I know it is easy to overlook renewing, so why not check your wallet to be sure you have a 2019 card. Surely you don't want to miss your one and only chance to have an American Legion Centennial Membership Card.

That's all for now, hope to see you at the Post.

***Mike Fennell; Senior Vice Commander***

## FROM THE SARGE

From the Fox Hole

Welcome fellow Legionnaires. Nothing here to report except its cold and snowy outside. No time for Marching and Drill....But wait! Before you know it, April will be here and the back parking lot is mine. Be ready for the April Practice schedule soon to appear on a bulletin board in the post. I know you are all excited about the new practice season coming up. So now is the time to get your uniforms all squared away and ready for inspection. That's all for now. Be careful, be ready, be Legion. HOA!

***Tim O'Neil; Sergeant at Arms***

**FROM THE JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER**

Hello Legion Family! I hope everyone is having a good year so far.

Thanks to everyone who helped and participated in the Super Bowl party. I also appreciate the participation with the raffle. The winners as of this writing are yet unknown, but will be pleased when drawn.

Our new Juke Box has been up and running a few months now. Thanks for the support to get this done. From the feedback I have received, it is very well appreciated!

We just formed a committee to organize some activities centered around the American Legion's 100th Year Anniversary. Our 1st meeting will have happened just before you read this article. Stay tuned for more information and some fun times.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the Post.

**Gilbert Hernandez**

**Junior Vice Commander**

**FROM THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION**

Squadron 1084 hopes everyone had a Merry Christmas and we wish you a healthy, happy, and prosperous New Year!

Post Fish Frys start again on March 8th (where did the year go?) and SAL will be serving on April 5th and 12th

Plans for our annual indoor bags tournament in late February or early March are coming together and we hope to have that date finalized soon. Register and play!

We are excited to be holding a meat raffle in the near future and will let everyone know details about that event. It has already generated much interest and we hope to see you there!

See you at the Post!

**Mike Vozar; Commander, Sons of the American Legion Squadron #1084**

**FROM THE SERVICE OFFICER****Need to File a Secondary Claim? File as a DRC.**

Do you have a condition that was directly caused by or has gotten worse because of your service-connected condition? If so, you can file a secondary claim for disability compensation for that condition. If your planning to file a secondary claim, make sure you file it as a Decision Ready Claim (DRC). Filing as a DRC means you can get a decision on your claim in 30 days or less.

Work with an accredited Veterans Service Organization (VSO) to determine if the DRC Program is right for you and your secondary claim. Your VSO can then help you gather and submit all relevant and required evidence so your claim is ready for us to make a decision when you submit it.

Don't have a secondary condition? You can also file these other types of compensation claims through the DRC Program:

- Direct Service Connection Claims
- Presumptive Service Connection Claims
- Increased Disability Claims
- Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (for surviving spouses)

Learn more about the DRC Program, including eligibility requirements, what medical evidence you need to submit, and how to find an accredited VSO at <https://www.benefits.va.gov/compensation/drc.asp>.

**Patrick Hull ; Service Officer**

## LEGION RIDERS

Happy 2019!

To say that the end of 2018 was a little strange, weather-wise, would be an understatement! Based on what we saw in November, we all thought that Old Man Winter had made an early arrival and was here to stay. Well, it turned out that we actually had almost no snow and quite a few nice riding days in DECEMBER! Go figure. Well, now that we're into January, hopes for "one last ride" have faded and the Riders are now planning events for the new year. We hope that you'll find room in your busy schedules to join us in support of the many Veterans Programs that count on your help.

In November, the Riders were able to provide motorcycle escort for Veterans from the Hines VA Medical Center to attend the Elks Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving Day. It was a beautiful day and the Veterans enjoyed the escort, the camaraderie and the meal that was provided. Thanks for attending!

Our next scheduled event will be hosting the Legion Fish Fry on Good Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. There's always a terrific turnout at this final Fish Fry of the season and my fellow Riders and I are excited at the opportunity to serve you. Please mark the date on your calendars now. Oh, and while you're marking your calendar, please plan on attending the Riders Luau on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

Finally, everyone knows that distracted driving KILLS but for some reason, people still do it. So, the next time you're driving around in that deadly weapon you call a car, here are a couple of questions I'd like you to ask yourself: (Continued on Page 7)

## SHOOTING SPORTS

Hi Everyone,

Hope you all had an enjoyable holiday season. So far our weather here has been very nice and our hopes for a quick springtime could be just wishful thinking. The snows of winter have yet to fall, but that doesn't stop our indoor shooting program from continuing every month.

The Shooting Sports Club of Post 1084 held our first pistol shoot of 2019 on New Year's Day. Shooting has become so popular that the ranges are open 7 days a week. A total of 21 shooters participated. Post 690 had 12 Members, Post 888 had 2, and Post 1084 had 7. It looks like the teams are getting ready to compete for the top slots. I believe it's going to be a very competitive season. Most of the shooters scores are really improving, and it looks like they have got the hang of shooting very well.

Ed Hewson, team captain for 690, will soon turn 80 years old. He doesn't show his age when he has a pistol in his hand. He is also coaching his team very well. Bud Hai-

naultg from 888 has been knocking on the door of 1<sup>st</sup> place for the last couple of months. For having a three man team, 888 will put up a good fight any day of the week.

Our home team 1084 continues to always present a couple good shooters to keep the competition at bay. Last month Dan Eisenstein, for the first time ever, got 1st place shooting his 10mm semi automatic. Congratulations Dan.

Elections are in the making and after many years of Club service, there may finally be a couple of new officers. They will be taking over for Pete Platt as president and Greg Hull as treasurer. Greg has faithfully stayed with the Club since 2002, and he has his membership card to prove it. Pete joined up with Greg, after Dan Henrickson called it quits, possibly about the time Gun World closed due to airport expansion. I think that was in 2008. New officer replacements are long overdue, and hopefully they will keep the club going strong, with

guidance from Pete and Greg when needed.

The club looks forward to doing its first fish fry in March. That should be a good time. In the meantime, be safe and healthy throughout 2019. Live each day to the fullest, and remember "that clock only goes one way." We aren't getting any younger.

I will end with a quote from Benjamin Franklin:

"Tell me and I'll forget",

"Teach me, and I'll remember",

"Involve me and I'll learn".

Take care everybody.

**Peter Platt**

**President and Team Cpt  
Post 1084 Shooting Sports**
















## Schedule of Events

- FEBRUARY 5TH HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 6:30 PM
- FEBRUARY 7TH: RALCF MTG 6 PL
- FEBRUARY 7TH: EXECUTIVE MEETING: 7 PM
- FEBRUARY 12TH LEGION GENERAL MEETING : 7:00 PM
- FEBRUARY 13TH: AUXILIARY MEETING 7 PM
- FEBRUARY 19TH SAL MEETING: 7 PM
- FEBRUARY 20TH: LEGION RIDERS 7 PM
- FEBRUARY 26TH SHOOTING SPORTS MEETING 7 PM

### LIONS CLUB EVENTS

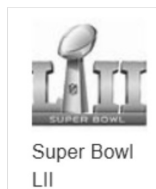
- February 14th Lions Board Meeting
- February 21st Lions General Meeting
- February 27th: Lions Regional Meeting

# FEBRUARY 2019

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### SUPERBOWL 2019



GAME START: 5:30 PM, Sunday February 3rd

Stop up and enjoy the game with your Legion Family

You could be lucky. Make sure to buy your raffle tickets.

## BOYS AND GIRLS STATE

Do you know a young lady or gentleman who is currently a High School Junior? A natural leader with high moral character and a sense of patriotism that could enjoy and appreciate the experience of a lifetime?

The Roselle American Legion Post 1084 Family would love to sponsor candidates to attend Illinois Girls State (June 16-22, 2019) or Boys State (June 8-14, 2019) at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

Both the Girls State and Boys State programs are sponsored to help youth become more knowledgeable of our government at the State and National levels. Objectives include:

- Developing leadership and pride in American citizens
- Educating citizens about our system of government
- Instilling a greater understanding of American traditions

Stimulating a desire to maintain our democratic government processes within our republic.

If you are interested or know someone who is, please let us know. Comment below or send an IM and we can provide further information.

<https://www.alaforveterans.org/ala-girls-state/> (Girls State)

<http://www.alaigs.org/> (Girls State)

<https://illinoisboysstate.org/> (Boys State)



# MARCH 2019

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### LEGION FAMILY EVENTS

- MARCH 1ST: STAFF APPRECIATION DAY
- MARCH 2ND: MARDI GRAS: 6 PM
- MARCH 5TH: HOUSE COMMITTEE: 6:30 PM
- MARCH 7TH LEGION EXEC MTG: 7:00 PM
- MARCH 8TH: FISH FRYS BEGIN
- MARCH 12TH LEGION MTG: 7:00 PM
- MARCH 13TH: AUXILIARY MEETING 7 PM
- MARCH 17TH: SAINT PATS DAY
- MARCH 19TH SAL GENERAL MTG 7 PM
- MARCH 20TH LEGION RIDERS MEETING: 7:00 PM
- MARCH 26TH SHOOTING SPORTS CLUB MTG. 7 PM

### LIONS CLUB EVENTS

- March 14th Lions Board Meeting
- March 21st: Lions General Meeting

### MARCH 1st IS STAFF APPRECIATION DAY

Thanks for all of your contributions that keep our Post Home Great

Suzie, Bill, Rhonda, Chrissy, Bob, Cory and Mary Beth....All of us appreciate what you do.

**FRIENDS & FAMILY OF POST 1084**

## ALL YOU CAN EAT FISH FRY

AMERICAN LEGION POST 1084

344 E. MAPLE  
ROSELLE, ILLINOIS



March 08, 15, 22 & 29  
April 05, 12, 19, 2019

DINNER & CARRYOUT HOURS 6 TO 8 PM

\$ 10.00 ALL YOU CAN EAT  
\$ 8.00 FOR VETERANS  
\$6.00 AGES 5-11  
AGES 4 AND UNDER FREE

FRIED COD, FRIES, MAC & CHEESE, COLE SLAW, DINNER ROLLS

\*\*ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS AMERICAN LEGION PROGRAMS\*\*  
BEST ANYWHERE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



## MARDI GRAS

"Laissez les  
Bon Temps Rouler"

Saturday, March 2, 2019

6:00 pm Cocktails

7:00 pm Dinner

8:00 pm Live Music & Dancing  
with The Stingrays

Only \$20 pre-sale...at the door \$25

Presented by the Women's Auxiliary Unit 1084  
344 E. Maple Avenue, Roselle, Illinois

Proceeds Benefit Veteran & Community Causes

## Schedule of Events

### LEGION FAMILY EVENTS

- **APRIL 2ND: HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING 6:30 PM**
- **APRIL 4TH LEGION EXECUTIVE MEETING: 7:00**
- **APRIL 5TH: FISH FRYs CONTINUE**
- **APRIL 9TH: LEGION MTG 7 PM**
- **APRIL 10TH: AUX MTG 7 PM**
- **APRIL 16TH: SAL MTG 7 PM**
- **APRIL 17TH: RIDER'S MTG 7 PM**
- **APRIL 19TH: LAST FISH FRY GOOD FRIDAY**
- **APRIL 23RD: SHOOTING SPORTS MTG 7 PM**
- **APRIL 27TH: LUAU 6 PM**

### COMMUNITY CLUB EVENTS

- **APRIL 18TH LIONS BOARD MTG**
- **APRIL 25TH LIONS GENERAL MTG**

## APRIL 2019

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**Legion Riders**

**LUAU**

**APRIL 27<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00pm to Closing**

**Presale Tickets \$20**

**At the Door \$25**

**Proceeds benefit Veterans' programs**

**Live Music by STRATA**

**(STRATACHICAGO.COM)**

**50/50 Raffle and More**

**American Legion**

**344 E. Maple**

**Roselle**

**630-894-8524**

### April

#### Month of the Military Child

An opportunity to recognize military children and youth for their heroism, character, courage, sacrifices and continued resilience.

LINK - Organizations that support military children (& many #MilChild resources!)

#### April 1, 2018 - Easter Sunday

LINK - Organizations that support deployed military personnel at Easter

LINK - Coloring page for military children

#### April 5, 2018 - Gold Star Wives Day

A day set aside to recognize the sacrifices of Gold Star wives.

LINK - Organizations that support Gold Star Families

#### April 14, 2018 - Air Force Reserve Birthday

#### April 23, 2018 - Army Reserve Birthday

#### April 25, 2018 - ANZAC Day (Australia and New Zealand)

A day of remembrance to honor those who served and died in military service for their countries. Learn more...

#### April 30, 2018 - National Military Brats Day

PROPOSED: That Congress set aside a day each year as National Military Brats Day so Americans can say thank you to these patriots, young and grown, for their dedication and sacrifice in the service of their country. Learn more...

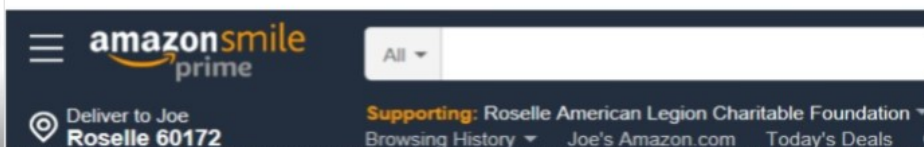


Do you regularly purchase from Amazon? Have you been thinking about using Amazon for some of the products you purchase?

There is a way for you to support our foundation, through your regular Amazon Purchases.

All you have to do is switch your browser settings to "Amazon Smile" and select the Roselle American Legion Charitable Foundation (RALCF) as your charity of choice.

Go to: <https://smile.amazon.com/> Here is what it should look like:



## AUXILIARY NEWS

What an exciting, enjoyable holiday season this has been, and there's so much more to look forward to in 2019!

In November and December, we visited and served meals at the Fisher House to the families of our Veterans being treated at Hines Hospital. At the December dinner we even supplied goody bags for all the residents staying over the Christmas holidays. These visits were so appreciated and so heartwarming, that we decided to do it again and are returning on Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. A "Needs List" and bin are in the hallway between the restrooms. Thanks to everyone who cooked, baked or bought goodies, and to those who dropped off items in the "Needs Bin".

Our Kid's Giving Tree donations went extremely well. A large part of our focus went to Teen Parent Connection, a nonprofit agency serving teen parents in DuPage County as they navigate the chal-

lenges of both parenthood and adolescence. We also helped families in need through donations we made to the Roselle United Methodist Church. This program helps put smiles on the faces of many local children and their parents.

Don't miss our Auxiliary Mardi Gras on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>. We'll be celebrating "Fat Tuesday" with lots of great food and music by the Stingrays. See the ad in this newsletter for details. Get your tickets from behind the bar before we're sold out!

March 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> the Auxiliary will be hosting the Friday Fish Fry! Come out and support us. You know we know how to put out a spread!

Calling all High School Junior Girls – The ALA Girls State Program will be held at Eastern Illinois from June 16 through 22. This is a phenomenal opportunity for young women to become

knowledgeable about our democratic process and how our government works on state and national levels. Please reach out to Cindy Ostrega or me for further information.

There will be lots of events happening as we celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary. Our Legion Family 100-Year Committee will be diligently working on some great ways to celebrate and continue to make our community aware of our invaluable organization.

The ALA now has over three quarters of a million members and has had an impact of over one billion dollars through services to service-members, veterans and their families, and our communities. Our membership makes a difference.

Honor the sacrifice of those who serve.

**Donna Goodwin**

**Auxiliary President**

## LEGION RIDERS (Continued from page 3)

- Would you get in your car and drive after having four shots of tequila or four beers?
- ...then go ahead and talk on your cell phone.
- ...how about eight drinks?
- ...then go ahead and text while driving.

Remember, distracted driving is now known to be as dangerous as drunk driving so when you get in your car, please put away the phone.

Please check out the bulletin boards at the Post for information on upcoming events and other information that you can use.

**Paul Goodwin**

**American Legion Riders Director Post #1084**

## ANNUAL DUES

**American Legion: \$40**

**Auxiliary: \$25**

**SAL: \$40 for New Members (Includes Hat) \$20 for Renewals**

**Legion Riders: \$20 for Riders; \$10 for Support Member**



