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# The Legion Eagle

August, September and October 2019

#### FROM THE COMMANDER

The membership at large should be aware that our 8th District U.S. Representative, Raja Krishnamoorthi donated \$1001.00 to the Ladies Auxiliary Poppy Day fund. The Congressman is donating his salary from the time the government was shut down to various organizations and he chose our Post as one of the recipients. Thank You Congressman!!

Come out to enjoy the Post 1084 Family and Friends picnic on Sunday August 11. It will be kid friendly. Bring your kids, grand kids or just yourself and enjoy celebrating 100 years of the American Legion.

On Saturday August 17, the Post will hold our annual Installation ceremony/dinner. The bar will be open at 5 PM (cash) with the installation beginning at 6 PM. Cousin's will be providing the food for the evening. All members and their families are welcome to attend.

Check our website for dates and times for our monthly events at Hines hospital. All members and friends are welcome to assist and volunteer to support our hospitalized Veterans.

Ty Cobb

Commander and House Committee Member

#### FROM THE SENIOR VICE COMMANDER

Greetings from your Membership reminder. We are now into the 2020 Membership year and we'll soon be receiving our reminders to renew for 2020. I would like to remind you once again...DON'T WAIT! The sooner we get our renewals in the fewer reminders the National Legion has to print and mail.

Hope all are enjoying the summer weather (finally hot weather in the Chicago area). Even with all the activities of summer, take a moment to pause and consider this great organization that was started One Hundred years ago after the Great War.

Hope to see you at the Post.

Mike Fennell

Senior Vice Commander

#### **DONATE YOUR MOVIES TO OUR VETERANS**

When was the last time you used one of the DVD Movies you own? There's a way to get more mileage out of your resources, then letting them sit in a cabinet.

Some of our Veterans at North Chicago expressed a need for more variety in their movie selection. How about donating what you have and spread some happiness in the process?

There is a box near the mail distribution boxes in the back of our hall near the bathrooms. Whatever may be inappropriate for North Chicago can be donated to Fisher House or Midwest Shelter for Veterans.

We appreciate your help.

Cindy Ostrega

#### FROM THE FOXHOLE

Welcome to the Foxhole

Things seem to be moving faster and faster. We got through our busy time with the Car show opening, followed by Memorial Day, Parade day, Flag disposal day, and Pollyanna day.

Just when I thought we could take a rest, I found out that The Taste of Roselle is expecting a Color Guard unit. I hope every one in the Color Guard is happy with their new boots. It made Parade day a lot nicer for me; Like walking on a cloud. Job Well done by everyone.

Just finished cleaning all the rifles with the help of shooting club members Pete Platt and Greg Hull. Thanks guys.

Watch the boards for more postings? Up coming events, Taste of Roselle, Lynfred Winery, Veterans concert, Flag disposal, and Hines Thanksgiving.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the Post. Remember...

Be on time, Be ready,

**BE LEGION! HOA!** 

Tim O'Neil

The Sarge

#### SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

We look forward to seeing all Legion Family Members and their families at the Post Picnic to be held on August 11, 2019 in honor of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The American Legion. This promises to be a fun filled day of family events with hot dogs, hamburgers, face painting, and a bounce house for the kids (or grandkids) with lots of camaraderie and fellowship.

On August 2-4 Join us for the SAL Corn Boil at the Taste of Roselle. Enjoy a mouth watering buttery ear of sweet corn topped with your favorite seasonings! The best tasting corn in town!

Installation Dinner is Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Our 2019-2020 Squadron officers are unchanged from last year with Commander Mike Vozar, Senior Vice Don Gieseke, Junior Vice Ed Borzelleca, Finance Officer Bob Dreksler, Adjutant Mark Melone, Chaplain Dave Schiesl, and Sergeant at Arms Don Hoarle,

We are in the process of finalizing a date for our summer outdoor beanbag tournament. Details will be posted at the Post and shared on social media in the very near future so keep your eyes open for the announcement and get ready for some bags!

On Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> the SAL will serve our annual Thanksgiving Pot Roast Dinner to veterans at the James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Facility in North Chicago from 10:30 AM to 2:00 PM. This is always a special event for us and we welcome all Legion Family members to participate and assist with serving.

On Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from Noon-4 PM Chef Philly Ed and the SAL crew will be serving up Ed's famous Philly Cheesesteak Sandwiches to celebrate the Bears-Eagles football game. They go fast so remember to get your order in early!

For God and Country,

Mike Vozar; SAL Commander

#### **EASY RALCF DONATIONS**



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:



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#### **AUXILLIARY NEWS**

So much happening and we are only halfway thru the summer! Our North Chicago Veteran's Picnic was a huge success despite some of the logistical challenges we faced! We fed about 80 deserving Veterans and 33 fabulous volunteers. A big thank you to everyone who made this a success! I know we brightened the day for these men and women by letting them know they are supported by their American Legion Family. I truly feel honored to be able to participate in this wonderful event.

Our 100 Year Committee has been busy meeting throughout the summer. The Drive 4UR Community event raised over \$1200. Not bad for the first time trying an event like this. Friendly Ford was amazingly supportive! If you are there for any reason, please thank them again for the support they give to our Post.

Our "Dine to Donate" event at Pilot Pete's was hugely attended. Thank you, Cindy Ostrega, for putting this all together. What a great way to raise money - have lunch or dinner with friends! We raised close to \$300 just for eating and having fun!

The next event is the Post Family and Friends Picnic on Sunday, August 11th from noon until 4 p.m. There will be food, fun and entertainment for the adults and the little ones. Food, non-alcoholic drinks and entertain-

ment are free! Come celebrate US!! No need to sign up to work or bring a dish, just come and enjoy the Post. Family members and friends are welcome. We'll have a bounce house and face painting for the kiddos.

Lastly, please consider attending the Installation Ceremonies on Saturday, August 17. Your officers need your support to succeed in 2019-2020. Hope to see you there!

Serving those who Served.

Donna Goodwin

Auxiliary President

#### **LEGION RIDERS**

Whoa! The rains of May and June have finally stopped and Summer is finally here. While many of our early riding plans were dampened by the weather, we're now enjoying some 90+ days. We all enjoy the heat because we know it'll be gone before you know it. Please don't forget to slather on the sun-block!



In early April the chapter took an overnight trip to South Haven, MI. We found a local distillery...again, and then did a little shopping in downtown South Haven. Of course, no trip to South Haven would be complete without stopping in at their Legion Post. They have an awesome view of the lake, their hospitality was fantastic, and made to order personal pizzas were to die for! As usual, the evening activities in the party room at the hotel were crazy fun.

Speaking of crazy fun, a couple of our fellow Riders shared their nuptials with family and friends back in April. Congratulations to the newlyweds, Ron and Jackie Siwula! Some of us chose to spend the night at the Hilton Garden after the reception and, in the spirit of full disclosure, might have been a bit of an annoyance to other guests at the hotel. So not-sorry.

In late June, a group of Riders and friends enjoyed the hospitality of Legion family members that have homes in Lake Carroll. Thanks go out to Don & Gayle, Ed & Cathy and Tom & Marcie for generously offering lodging for our crazy group. The weather was perfect for a lazy day at "party bay".

On July 14, the Riders took advantage of the fantastic weather and joined the Ladies Auxiliary on their annual excursion to the James A Lovell Health Care Facility in North Chicago. The Ladies, along with volunteers from all the groups which make up the Legion Family, fed burgers, brats and hot dogs to nearly 120 Veterans and staff. Bingo was played and every Vet walked away with a full tummy, gifts, and a smile on their face!

Finally, we have decided to cancel our annual Veterans Run. In light of all the work we've been involved with for the Legion 100th, our time has been stretched too thin. Please keep the 24th open as the chapter still plans on a ride. Check the riders board for more info.



START SEEING MOTORCYCLES!



Remember to keep our troops and their families in your thoughts and prayers.

Paul Goodwin, Director; American Legion Rider's Post #1084

#### FROM THE SERVICE OFFICER

VA Mission Act has just been passed and it should improve access to Veterans seeking Health Care. Mission Act is to long to include complete coverage and info in the Post1084. Newsletter.

For more information on the Mission Act, and what this will do for all Veterans, please go to <a href="https://www.MISSIONAct.va.gov">www.MISSIONAct.va.gov</a>

Pat Hull: Service Officer

#### SHOOTING SPORTS

Time flies. It's now July and summer is bearing down on us. The year is flying by, nonstop. On a positive note, as mentioned in the April 2019 Sports letter, the Shooting Sports Club is now being governed by some new officers. Picked from within the Club, a few brave members have filled the vacancies of President, Vice President and Treasurer. So far so good. Like most elected officials, you will always have a few members who may find agreeing with a new form of governing not exactly their cup of tea. But in the end, we're all still the same bunch of members, all working to achieve the same goals....Learning to shoot well, Practicing safety always, Buying new guns, old guns, any kind of guns...and Ammo, lots of ammo.

In the end, your final goal is to win the pistol match of the month and get that coveted #1 spot. Once you've learned that, nothing else matters. As they say "been there, done that." Now all the rest is fun ... or you can teach others what you have learned and make them the next #1 shooter. Whether it's a M1911, 9mm, a concealed carry .380 or the venerable .22 Rim Fire Class. once you've hit a perfect score and your name appears on the scoring results as #1 you have done it. All your hard work has paid off. All the practice sessions have finally sunk in. You're on auto pilot once the pistol or rifle is in your hands and the timer says "go!" You know just what to do. You trained for this. You won!

Our outdoor shoots have been plagued with rain almost every weekend. Now the 90's heat is coming in and, being an old guy and being outdoors with that temperature doesn't quite settle in very comfortably. Wimps? No, not us. We just don't need to feel the heat of being in a desert. For that reason, we will pick and choose our outdoor events so that everyone can enjoy the day

and not come home with heat stroke. Shooting is supposed to be fun. We will keep that tradition going, same as we have in the past. Dates to shoot outdoors will become available as the scheduling allows.

They say "what goes around comes around." Now the CMP is selling original M911, 45 autos used in WWII, along with M1 Garand's and M1- Carbines (when available). Even the AR 15 has gone retro." Guys want the original A1's they carried and experienced with all those great malfunctions in Vietnam. Not quite as nice and polished and refined as a new M4, but a piece of history and an original "Black Rifle." Try sighting one of those and hitting the target at 100 yards.

Peter W. Platt:

**Shooting Sports President** 

#### **VETERAN BENEFIT CONCERT**

Mark your calendars for Friday November 8th. Then take a breath that we are still in summer and want to enjoy it a bit more.

Once again, "American English" and Special Guest "Joe Cantafio" are donating their time in concert to help us raise funds for the "Roselle American Legion Charitable Foundation."

Last year we raised over \$7,000 and we have the potential to raise so much more. You can do your part by purchasing a ticket and spreading the news to your friends. Tickets should be available in September.

If you want to do more and participate on our committee, drop me a line @ joe.schalberg@outlook.com.

Committee activities are to share your ideas and promote ticket sales.

You'll be hearing more in the coming months.

Joe Schalberg

Veteran Benefit Concert Chair

#### **Schedule of Events**

#### **LEGION FAMILY EVENT**

- Aug 2,3rd and 4th:

  Taste of Roselle
- Aug 2nd: Car Shows Continue
- Aug 6TH: House Comm 630 PM
- Aug 8th: RALCF Mtg: 6 PM
- AUG 8TH: EXEC MEETING 7 PM
- AUG I TH: POST FAMILY AND FRIENDS
  PICNIC
- AUG 13TH: LEGION MTG 7 PM:
- AUG 14TH: AUXILIARY MEETING 7 PM
- AUG I7TH: RCF @ HINES
- Aug 17th: Installation of Officers
- Aug 20th: SAL Meeting 7 PM
- Aug21st: Riders Meeting 7 PM
- Aug 21st: Commander Ty's Birth-Day
- AUG 27TH: SHOOTING SPORTS

#### LIONS CLUB EVENTS

Rose Festival: May 28-30

- Aug I5th Lions Board Meeting
- Aug 22nd 22nd Lions General Meeting

## August 2019

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#### LACANTINA Classic 2019

FRIDAY AUGUST 16, 2019

#### Whisper Creek Golf Club

12840 Del Webb Blvd, Huntley, IL 60142

18 Holes of Golf with cart – Shotgun Start 0800 பூது Sign Up – 0700 Hrs.

Continental Breakfast, All American BBQ Lunch

#### \$90 PER GOLFER

#### \$50 PARTY ONLY

Are you on our database? Questions??? E-mail us at:

Mrkenrd@sbcglobal.net or Epottle@aol.com

Make sure you get your reservations in early; we are limited to two foursomes per hole (144)

#### A Whirlydog Production

The Roselle American Legion Charitable Foundation (RALCF) supports the purposes of the American Legion and its programs. The foundation has a 501(c)(3) designation. Please consult your accountant or tax expert to determine if you qualify for a charitable deduction on 2004, income tax.

Make checks payable to: <u>RALCF\_Mail</u> to: Ed Pottle 1224 Appaloosa Way, Bartlett, IL 60103

# THU 8/8 PANTHERS 7:00PM FOX Fri 8/16 @ New York Giants 6:30pm FOX Sat 8/24 @ Indianapolis 6:00pm FOX THU 8/29 TITANS 7:00PM FOX

# POST FAMILY PICNIC SUNDAY AUGUST 11TH, 2019

Enjoy a catered meal and family fun on our grounds. We will have a bouncy house for the children, so bring them to have a good time.



#### TASTE OF ROSELLE



August 2nd, 3rd and 4th

2 Booths; Please sign up on bulletin board

Participate and stop up to support us

SAL: Raw and Cooked Corn Legion: Water



AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY INSTALLATION

HONOR NEW OFFICERS

COME ENIOY THE FREE BUFFET DINNER

SATURDAY AUGUST 17th 2014; 5:00 PM Cocktails; 6 PM Installation

#### **Schedule of Events**

#### **LEGION FAMILY EVENTS**

• SEPT 6TH: CAR SHOWS CONINUE

SEPT 3RD HOUSECOMM MTG: 630 PM

SEPT 5TH EXEC COMM MTG: 7 PM

SEPT 10TH LEGION MTG: 7:00 PM

SEPT 11th: AUXILLARY MEETING 7 PM

• SEPT 17TH: SAL MEETING 7 PM

• SEPT 18TH: LEGION RIDERS 7 PM

SEPT 21ST: MONTHY HINES RCF UNIT

SEPT 24TH: SHOOTING SPORTS MEET

SEPT 27TH: LAST CAR SHOW OF SEASON

#### LIONS CLUB EVENTS

- Sept 19th Lions Board Mtg
- Sept 26th Lions General Mtg

### SEPTEMBER 2019

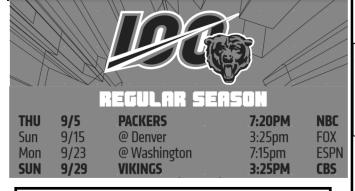
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#### **OUTDOOR BAG TOURNAMENT**

Date to be determined this month.

Stay tuned.

We will start at noon and Food will be available.



#### **QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE**



You could be a big winner. Stop up at the post and purchase your "Queen of Hearts" raffle tickets.

Five bucks gets you 6 Tickets. Drawings on Saturday at 2 PM.

#### **BLUE STAR BANNERS PROGRAM**

In the spirit of pride in our men and women serving in the military, Roselle American Legion Post 1084 has an active "Blue Star Service Banners Program."

Blue Star Service Banners are displayed by families who have a loved one serving in the armed forces of the United States. The banner, when displayed in the front window of a home, shows a family's pride in their loved one serving in the military and reminds others that preserving America's freedom demands a lot. If you have a loved one serving in the military, stop by the Post to apply for your banner.



The Blue Star Service Banner was designed and patented in 1917 by World War I Army Captain Robert L. Queissner of the 5<sup>th</sup> Ohio Infantry who had two sons serving on the front line. It quickly became the unofficial symbol of a child in service. Blue Star Service Banners were widely used across America during World Wars I and II, but were not embraced during the Ko-

rean or Vietnam wars with the same enthusiasm.

The blue star represents one family member serving in the armed forces. A banner can have up to five stars signifying each member serving. If an individual is killed or dies while serving, the blue star is superimposed with a gold star. The Blue Star Mothers and Gold Star Mothers organizations were established during World War I and remain active today.

Eligible families may receive a banner by completing an application with information on the service member. The banners are provided at no cost to families. However, donations will be accepted and used for the Post's Veterans service programs.

#### **Schedule of Events**

#### **LEGION FAMILY EVENTS**

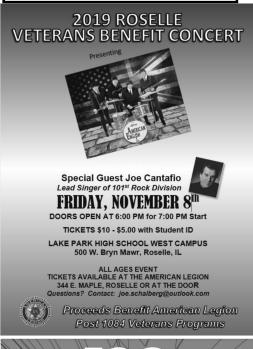
- OCT 1ST HOUSE COMM 6:30 PM
- OCT 3RD EXECUTIVE MTG 7 PM
- OCT 8TH: LEGION MTG: 7 PM
- OCT 9TH AUX MTG 7 PM
- OCT 12TH: RCF @ HINES
- OCT 15TH: SAL MTG 7 PM
- OCT 16TH LEGION RIDERS: 7 PM
- OCT 22ND: SHOOTING SPORTS
- OCT 26TH: TRUNK OR TREAT

#### **COMMUNITY CLUB EVENTS**

- OCT 17TH LIONS BOARD MTG
- OCT 24TH LIONS GENERAL MTG

### OCTOBER 2019

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# Sun 10/6 @ Oakland (London) Noon FOX Sun 10/13 Bye SUN 10/20 SAINTS 3:25PM\* FOX

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**CHARGERS** 

#### SCHOOL AWARDS

Happy Summer! As most of you know, the American Legion has had the pleasure to honor and recognize the grade school graduates of our great country since 1930. Each year students are selected from the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class to receive the American Legion School Award.

This year's awards went off without a hitch, thanks to the dedication of the volunteers from our Legion Family that presented these highly coveted awards. We even added a 7th school, F E Peacock Middle School, to the list. The students were selected by a secret ballot of the students themselves and by the faculty. The winners were chosen based on qualities of Patriotism, Leadership, Scholarship, and Service.

The following volunteers participated in making the presentations:

Trinity Lutheran School	Tim O'Neil &
	Cheryl Heidenreich
St. Walter School	Paul Goodwin
Westfield School	Joann Barsanti & Mike Vozar
Medinah School	Donna Pike-Biegel
Roselle Middle School	Paul Omachel
Springwood Middle School	Brian Elliot
F E Peacock Middle School	Mike Vozar

If you see any of these volunteers, please thank them for offering their time and talent to help continue this wonderful tradition.

If you are interested in volunteering to assist with this program in the future, please let me know.

Paul Goodwin: School Awards Committee Chairman

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