

Hillsboro Legion

Legends

Post No. 6 Squadron No. 6 Auxiliary Unit No. 6

October 2016

Upcoming Events



- Oct 1 Hamburger/Hot Dog Night 6 PM
- Oct 4 E-board -7 PM
- Oct 8 POW-MIA Monument Dedication 1PM
- Oct 11 Potluck 6 PM -Disaster preparedness presentation 7PM -Post/Auxiliary Meetings 730 PM
- Oct 16 Open House Football amd Snacks
- Oct 22 Spaghetti Dinner 6PM
- Oct 31 Halloween Candy distribution 5 PM





POW-MIA Monument Dedication

Mark your calendar for October 8th! Aloha Post No. 104 is sponsoring a granite POW-MIA monument which will be dedicated at Willamette National Cemetery at 1300 hours. Let's show our support by attending this event. A dinner is being offered by the Aloha Post after the ceremony.

Dave Bogner-Adjutant

COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

There are several talking points I'd like to share with you all this month! The pictures posted below will be explained at our October 11 meeting.

- October 11– Disaster Preparedness Presentation 7 PM
- October 16- Post Open House for football and snacks 1-4 PM.
- October 22– Spaghetti Dinner 6PM. This dinner is free to those with birthdays in September and October. RSVP to Bob Gnos by Oct 20.
- November 8 Every veteran and their family will be affected by the election next month. PLEASE VOTE .
- November 11—Veteran's Day Activities. Details at next Post meeting (OCT 11) Please participate if able. Rough schedule below:
 - 1030– Arrive at Veteran's Gateway
 - 1100—Ceremony begins
 - 1200 Procession/Parade (vehicles only) to Cornelius begins
 - 1300 Cornelius ceremony begins.
- Please submit your responses to the questionnaire in the September newsletter (see following page) so we can add your inputs to the future events planning.

Bob Gnos- Commander





COMMANDER'S Questions

This is your local Post and we (those elected to lead) request your input(s) to several questions:

- 1. What features of Post 6 would encourage a new member to join?
- 2. What improvements need to be made?
- 3. What issues should we focus our time and energy on?
- 4. What should be our long range goals?

Robert Gnos-Commander

District Meeting Notes

National Committeeman Rob Liebenow and his wife Linda, Commander Bob Gnos and myself, attended the first quarter District 1 Meeting held at the Cannon Beach Post 168. This was a well attended event with an excellent luncheon menu. See our Facebook page: Hillsboro Post No. 6 American Legion for further information.

Items of interest for our post include the dedication of a POW-MIA Monument at Willamette National Cemetery on October 8, 2016. Sponsored by Aloha Post 104, details on the granite monument are described in The Oregon Legionnaire newspaper article, "A Time to Celebrate", in the First Quarter 2016-17 edition. All hands are requested to turn out for this event, scheduled to commence at 1300 hours with a dinner planned afterward at the Aloha Post.

District Commander Lou Neubecker encourages all posts to submit monthly activity reports. They are due at District HQ on the 25th of each month. Committee chairs are encouraged to submit their reports prior to the due date so they can be included in the Post report. Send them by e-mail to the Adjutant at hillsboro.post6@gmail.com or by phone 503-443-9089. This will help us to keep track of our activities and times for the annual Consolidated Post Report as well.

Don't forget membership! "Find your replacement" is our membership drive motto this year. Oregon's first National Commander, Charles Schmidt, is offering a membership pin award for those who sign up 3 new members this year. Past members who have not renewed are included. Always carry a membership application with you. Applications are available in the office. Always make sure to fill in Post No. 6 on the form so we get credit for the member. Dues are \$45 per year. Promptly turn completed applications in to me or to Rob Liebenow at the post.

I hope to see you at the next Hamburger/Hot Dog night, October 1st! Thank you for permitting me to serve you!

Dave Bogner - Adjutant

Why do I belong to The American Legion?

I joined 27 years ago out of a sense of patriotism and support for my fellow veterans. I knew several veterans at the time and enjoyed the comradery. Mostly, it was a social attraction.

Through the years my affiliations and attitudes changed. I transferred from a post that placed their priorities on profits rather than principles. I found myself at a post with fewer members but large in heart and dedicated to service. The opportunities were many and I eventually found myself wearing the Adjutant pin.

Volunteering time and labor can be challenging as well as rewarding. I find satisfaction from helping people. To assist just one person locate the help they need or provide transportation for someone who is not able to travel on their own to their appointments or to provide financial assistance to those whose luck has taken a bad turn or to be present for a family who has lost a loved one, even when no words are exchanged but the simple gesture of a hand shake or a hug speaks volumes to those who are hurting and their gratitude is rewarding beyond measure.

Let's not forget our unexpired oath and our obligation to each other as veterans of the armed services of a great nation, even though it's greatness is sometimes obscured by the attitudes of a people who sometimes forget that the freedom we enjoy comes at a price paid for by the blood of other men and women who gave their lives for the cause of liberty. I feel a strong sense of obligation to their legacy and also for doing whatever is necessary to insure that those who served and returned are treated with dignity and respect by the institution they protected.

By serving in The American Legion each of us demonstrates to our community the commitment we share in maintaining a strong, patriotic and free America for generations to come.

This is why I remain a member of The American Legion.

David Bogner - Adjutant



CRAB FEED

The Annual Crab Feed is scheduled for January 28th, so mark your calendars and don't miss out. Tickets will go on sale in October. You get a whole crab and your choice of salads for \$20. Shrimp Louie will be available for \$12. We only have 80 tickets available so get yours before they are gone. Make checks payable to Hillsboro Post #6 and send to the Post.

Rob Liebenow

Chaplains Corner

Summer is over and Fall is on the way. It's time to say goodbye to the long blissful days of vacations and such. The kids are back to school and things are beginning to settle into a more normal routine.

At the Post we've already had our first meeting and Bob Gnos, our new Commander, has put forth his vision and some things he wants us to focus on for this Legion year. One of his big pushes is for everyone in the Post to replace himself or herself.

Since the average age of a member of our Post is somewhere around 66 years we need to recruit some younger members just to sustain ourselves. Bob has challenged us to do that by asking that each one of us recruit a new member (replace yourself). A few have already made a start and have had some success. The application form and helpful materials are available at the Post. So why not talk to veterans you know about joining the American Legion through the Post here in Hillsboro.

On a Spiritual note, (since I'm Chaplain), Fall is the time of year when the beauty of our Creator is on display as never before. The days are shorter, the air is clearer as well as brisk and the colors are marvelous! It's a time to slow down, reflect a bit and take stock of your life. What have I accomplished this year? Have I had an impact for good in another persons life? These are a couple of questions we should all ask ourselves from time to time. You only get one chance at life so let's make the most of it. Perhaps you can start by taking a more active part in your Post. There are many ways to serve others available there.

Blessings, *Lynn Hamm - Post 6 Chaplain*

October Meeting presentation

Our guest speaker for this month's meeting will discuss Emergency/Disaster preparedness essentials. The Presentation will begin at approximately 7PM, with Q & A to follow.

Regularly scheduled meetings will take place AFTER the presentation is complete. AND the kitchen/hall are cleaned up!

Next month's speaker will be from the Washington County Veteran's Service Coordinator, Jason Muehe. He will provide info on available services for Disability, Aging, and Veteran's services available in the county.

Please consider attending as there is a lot of good info for all concerned.!

Mike Marusa

POST 6 FACEBOOK

We now have a Facebook page!!! Please login and LIKE us. Search for our site @ Hillsboro Post No.6 American Legion.

Thanks to *Sheryl Loberger* for setting this page up!

We hope to soon have a web page as well. A Team has been assembled to work on this to get on-line soon. Watch for updates!





MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership has started off a little slow this year. We are 14 members short of where we were at this time last year. Thank you to those of you who have renewed for 2017... now if we can get the rest of you to send in your renewal by Veterans Day that would be great. The dues for this year are \$45.

Our goal this year is 221 members. That is 5 more than last year. If we subtract take our deceased members that means we need to add about 10 new members for 2017. The National Commander is asking each member to recruit one new member; if this is done we can double our membership. The second renewal notice should be in the mail shortly. IF YOU HAVE PAID YOUR 2017 DUES AND RECEIVE ANOTHER NOTICE PLEASE DISRE-GUARD.

Rob Liebenow—Membership Chair

EARLY BIRD DINNER



Post members, Auxiliary and SAL members if you pay your 2017 dues on or before Veterans Day you will receive a free dinner. Don't miss out this year, it is a great time to meet great people and

have an outstanding turkey dinner at the same time.

Rob Liebenow-Membership Chair



SONS of THE AMERICAN LEGION

Squadron #6 only has 21 members to date. 11 of you have paid your 2017 dues and I thank you. I am asking the rest of you to get them in ASAP. If you have a son or grandson you might think about signing them up. Our dues for junior members (those under 18) is just \$15 a year. Senior members are \$20. If you are a Legion member and qualify for the SAL under your father or grandfather you can be a dual member for only \$15 a year.

Rob Liebenow –SAL Commander

Auxiliary News



Well, our new year has arrived and we are looking forward to a great year!

Please join us Halloween evening to help pass out apples and candy in downtown Hillsboro. This is an activity that is-

shared by both the Legion and the auxiliary.

Our poppy program will begin with distribution at the Wal-Mart neighborhood market on Baseline at Cornelius Pass Road and at the Albertsons Market at 25th and Cornell. There are sign-up sheets in the Post Hall. You can contact me at the phone number listed below.

Please come to our Hamburger/Hot Dog night on the first Saturday of each month. We would like for everyone to come and enjoy 10 cent Bingo, along with made to order burgers and hot dogs!

Check our calendar in the newsletter and come enjoy Post activities with all of us !



Deb Ashe - Auxiliary President/Poppy Chair (310) 502-3991

****Email newsletter****

There are some of you that will receive the newsletter through email and also the the Post Office. The purpose is to ensure each member gets a newsletter just in case there is an issue with email. If there are issues with opening your newsletter please send me on an email and I will investigate the issue.

As before if you want a soft copy please let me know. My contact info is in the adjoining box.

Mike Marusa –

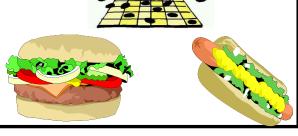
Please feel free to email me pictures from events, as well as articles to share with the readers. You may also post on our FB page. I may use your uploaded pix in the next newsletter! Thanks!

Editor's Note

Mike Marusa-Editor mmarusa@yahoo.com (503) 913-1714

October 1, 2016 Burgers and dogs will be \$2.50. Buy your soft drink in the lounge for \$1. Open at 6:00 pm for food and drink with 10 cent BINGO to follow. Please remember, no outside drinks are allowed!

HAMBURGER/HOTDOG NIGHT





16 SEPT 2016

MEMORANDUM

From: Commanding Officer, Portland Division, NSCC

To: Whom it may concern

Subj: Summary of activity for the Portland Division, NSCC

The training year of 2016 is now complete for the Portland Division, NSCC. The unit started the year with 23 Sea Cadets and 3 League Cadets and has now 35 Sea Cadets and 2 League Cadets as 3 League Cadets have moved into the Sea Cadet program. The unit had 7 Sea Cadets leave the program, 1 Senior graduating and 6 that left due to employment or sports. There were 40 rank increases for the Sea Cadets and 4 rank increases for the League Cadets. The Sea Cadets completed 26 correspondence courses and 6 PO exams were passed and 41 trainings (both Recruit and Advanced) completed for a total of 376 days of training. All 5 of the League Cadets went to Orientation for a total of 36 days of training. The cost of the training is rated at \$24/day or \$9888 that is passed on to the parents. Also the Cadets racked up over 1528 hours of Community Service to date.

The greatest challenge now is to adjust to the loss of the exclusive use of the unit storeroom and the office spaces at the NOSC. The uniforms and gear have been moved into a secure storage site in Vancouver at the rate of \$96/month. This makes the issuing of properly sized uniforms at least 2 weeks out for the new Cadets. We have to now size the Cadets on their first drill and attempt to fit them the next drill. The unit is still able to use the NOSC as a drilling site for the time being.

The unit currently has Adult Staffing broken into Auxiliary(3); Instructors (6); and NSCC Officers (8). LCDR Sharon Wise, NSCC has stepped down as the unit Executive Officer to be the unit Financial Officer. LTJG Jim Fox, NSCC has accepted the position of the unit Executive Officer. LCDR Joel Hernandez, NSCC, is acting as the unit Public Affairs Officer. LCDR Greg Mettler, NSCC, is a Special Assistant to the CO for the CCMS and PO Exams. Ens Amy Morris is the Admin Officer and is dealing with the off-site storage of uniforms. Ens Daniel Russell has not been at any of the unit activities this year. LT Peter Wise, NSCC, has requested to be placed on the NSCC Retirement list.

UHU W, H. WISE LCDR. NSCC

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Sea Scouts Bill Weiss-Commanding Officer

October 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Hri	Sat 1 H/H/Bingo 6PM
2	دى د	4 E-board 7PM	N	6	7	8 POW/MIA @WNS 1 PM
9	10	11 <u>Potluck 6</u> Meetings	12	13	14	15
16 Open House 1-4 PM	17	18	19	20	21	22 Spaghetti Dinner 6PM
23 30	24	25	26	27	28	29
	31 Halloween 5 - 7 PM					

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