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Members of the 1st District American Legion Family....

After a great deal of consideration...I have. decided that after the occurrence of certain things, it is time to publish the following Statement:

As per discussion with Department personnel, I have found out the District Commander has the final word about what articles are printed in the District Newsletter.

If an article does not meet the Standards of the District- it will not be published.... period!

Newsletter Submission Reminder

All articles must be submitted by the **26th of each month**. Any submissions received after that date—without prior communication to Michelle regarding the delay—will **not** be included in that month's newsletter. Newsletter items should be emailed to **bigredonenewsletter@gmail.com**.

Please note: **There will not be a July newsletter**. Per the District Legion Bylaws, the District publishes **11 newsletters per year, August through June**.

Thank you for helping us keep our District communications timely and organized.

– The 1st District Leadership

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IMPORTANT DATES

May 1–31 — National Poppy Month

A month-long emphasis on Poppy education, distribution, and remembrance.

May 2, 2026 — First District SAL & Riders Convention

May 8 — VE Day (Victory in Europe Day)

Commemorates the end of WWII in Europe.

May 10 — Mother’s Day

Honoring mothers and all who support military families.

May 16 — Armed Forces Day

Recognizing the men and women currently serving in all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces.

May 16, 2026 — First District Convention

Awards presented during the Convention.

May 23–27 — National Poppy Days (American Legion Family)

Encourage community engagement and visibility for the Poppy Program.

May 27 — Memorial Day

A day of remembrance for those who gave their lives in service to our nation. Posts and Units often hold ceremonies, honor guards, or community observances.



FROM YOUR COMMANDER DESK

Good afternoon 1st District Family.

Convention time is here. The Riders and SAL Convention in May 2nd in Lake City.

The Legion and Auxiliary are May 15th and 16th also in Lake City.

Please attend these events to learn what is going on in the District. The best way to know what is going on in the District is to hear it firsthand.

I want to thank my Officers and Committee Chairmen for their support this year. This has been a trying year with many ups and downs. We have given our best and that is all the Commander can ask for.

A big thank you from myself and my family for the support and well wishes we have received during our hours of need this year. Losing two sisters to illness and a third in Hospice has taken a toll on me this year. I have had a lot of things that have taken up my time.... I appreciate all your prayers and support.

Commander Brian

The American Legion – Department of Minnesota

First District

Call to Convention

Attn: All Posts of the First District

By virtue of the authority vested in me, by the Constitution and By-Laws of The American Legion, Department of Minnesota, I, First District Commander, Brian Medinnus, do hereby call a convention of the First District to convene at Lake City, Minnesota on Saturday May 16, 2026.

The business sessions of the convention will be held in Wild Wings Plaza located at 2101 S Hwy 61 South, Lake City, MN. Registration begins at 08:00 a.m. and sessions commence at 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, May 16, 2026, and will continue until adjournment.

The purpose of this convention is to elect a District Commander, four (4) District Vice-Commanders, District Chaplain, Delegates and Alternates to the National Convention and to do other business of the First District that may properly come before the Convention.

The voting strength of each Post will be, as provided in the Department Constitution and By-Laws, Article 5, Section 3 based upon the membership certification sent to the District Commander by the District Adjutant.

Please send certification of your Post Delegates and Alternates to Deb Williamson, 1010 Double Eagle Avenue SE, Rochester MN, 55904. Deadline is **May 2, 2026**.

All Members are encouraged to attend.

Brian Medinnus

First District Commander



The American Legion – Department of Minnesota
 First District
 Call to Convention



Delegate Certification to the First District Convention in Lake City, Minnesota, May 16, 2026.

District Adjutant needs no later than May 2nd.

If you have questions about your number of delegates, email adjutantmnmightyfirst@gmail.com.

POST DELEGATES

ALTERNATES

1. _____ 1. _____

2. _____ 2. _____

3. _____ 3. _____

4. _____ 4. _____

5. _____ 5. _____

6. _____ 6. _____

7. _____ 7. _____

8. _____ 8. _____

SIGNED _____ Date: _____

ADJUTANT, POST #

TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

The First District of the Department of Minnesota of The American Legion will be held on **May 16th at Wild Wings Plaza, 2101 South Hwy 61, Lake City, MN**. Post 110, Lake City is our host this year.

Legion Exec Board will meet Friday May 15th.

Legion & Auxiliary will meet Saturday May 16th.

SAL and Riders will meet Saturday May 2nd at Lake Pepin Plaza

Registration Information:

Due No Later than: May 6th, 2026

Mail to: American Legion Post 110
Convention Registration
PO Box 23
Lake City, MN 55041

Attendee: 1 person per form. If you are a dual + member, **only register once**. This form will register SAL and Rider members for their Conventions as well.

Attendee Type: Delegate Alternate Guest

Membership Type: Legion Auxiliary SAL Rider

Post/Unit/Chapter#: _____

Name: _____ **Phone:** (____) _____ - _____

Full Address: _____

****Bring your membership card – all must be shown for admittance.**

Costs:

Registration \$15.00 in advance | \$20.00 at the door

Lunch \$15.00 | \$15.00

Total Cost \$30.00 in advance | \$35.00

Check _____

While we need one form per person, one check per family is fine **IF** all registrations arrive in the same envelope. Include the check # on all forms.

Mail the above with monies to register. Keep this part for hotel information.

12 rooms are blocked (code LEGION) for Friday night, May 15th, at

AmericINN

1615 N Lakeshore Drive

Lake City, MN 55041

(651) 345-5611

Rooms are \$ 110.00 / per night plus tax.

ADJUTANTS CORNER

You should be noticing some changes to the First District website (mnmightyfirst.org). For example, as much as I can, I'll be adding National, Department, District, and significant post or other events to it. As of today (4/24), it looks like this:

After elections, we'll get officer photos and updated contact information out there. I'd like your feedback on what you would like to see that's not there or changed. No promises, but I'm interested in hearing from you.

Upcoming Events

National Com...	04/24/26
Legion College	04/24/26
Legion College	04/25/26
Military Ball	04/25/26, 4:30PM
North Star Hon...	04/27/26

[See Full Calendar](#)
[Download](#)

Alone we do little, together we do great things!

Deb

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Shout out to
Comrade Andrew Joenks
American Legion Post 77!
Graduated from the MN American Legion
College, 26 April 2026
Way to go! The First District salutes you!

D1 Training

myLegion.org

Keeping your personal information up to date is key to getting information timely. You can now do it all online.

Go to <https://mylegion.org> and you will see "Login Register" in the upper right area of the page.



LOGIN REGISTER

If you have an account, select LOGIN. If not, select register and follow the instructions.

Once logged in, you will see. Click MY ACCOUNT.

Deborah Williamson



MY ACCOUNT

The next screen will show your name, address, phone number, and email address that is on file with the Legion. It may also show your picture; if you put one on. Any of these you may change by clicking on the edit button.

MY INFORMATION

- Name & Demographics → Update name, birthdate, credentials
- Military Service → Update branch(es) of service, conflict(s), and retirement
- Contact Information → Add or update phone numbers or email addresses.
- Addresses → Home mailing address
- Emergency Contacts → Person(s) to contact in case of emergency.
- Username / Password → Update/change username and password. Two-factor authentication also.

MEMBERSHIP

- Membership Card → View your membership card and print if want.
- Membership Details → Displays type of membership, can renew here.
- Paid Up For Life → Sign up for paid up for life membership
- Member Discounts → Generic offers for Legion members
- Committees → Committees or positions you hold or have held.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER – MAY 2026

May is a month of deep meaning for our Legion Family. It brings us two observances that touch the heart in different but powerful ways: Mother's Day and Memorial Day.

Mother's Day reminds us of the women who shaped our lives with love, guidance, and strength. Many of our veterans were raised by mothers who prayed through deployments, carried the weight of uncertainty, and welcomed their sons and daughters home with open arms. Many mothers among us have also known the sacrifice of sending a child into service. This month, we honor them with gratitude.

Memorial Day calls us to pause and remember the men and women who gave their lives in defense of our nation. Their sacrifice is woven into the freedoms we enjoy today. As we gather for ceremonies, place flags on graves, and stand in quiet reflection, may we remember that each name represents a life of courage, service, and devotion.

Let us also hold close the families who carry the memory of their loved ones every day. Their strength is a testament to the enduring spirit of service.

May this month bring you peace, gratitude, and renewed purpose as we honor both the heroes who served and the families who supported them.

— District Chaplain



FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR

Hello Legionnaires,

The 1st District is in 6th Place:

1.94% - out of 1st

0.78% -out of 2nd

0.66% -out of 3rd

0.27% out of 4th

0.25%- out of 5th

There were only 8 renewals processed this week.

Still, only 8 posts at 100% or more. .

We can't let these expired members walk away without trying harder to get them to renew..

Please understand the importance

You need to call the delinquent members directly. Do not depend on the postcards cards mailed from National. They do not always arrive.

A direct ask always works the best.

I have emailed 1982 lists to some posts. You need to utilize these lists. They are basically free members.

The new packets will be coming out in June. The posts need to continue working the 2026 membership year until 12/31/2026.,

If we all put in the work, we can get back our 2nd place standing and keep the members we have.

Thank you,

Mary Hanson

1st District Membership Director

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The American Legion, Dept of MN, First District 2026 Membership Report for April 22, 2026

Dist	Post	Location	New 2026	PUFL 2026	Online 2026	Trad 2026	Paid 2026	HQ Trans 2026	Total Membr 2026	Goal 2026	% of Goal	HQ Trans 2025	Last yr at this date
1	9	Winona	10	32	0	395	437	9	446	456	97.81%	0	0
1	90	Lewiston	2	9	0	55	66	0	66	81	81.48%	0	0
1	190	St Charles	0	13	0	71	84	0	84	85	98.82%	0	0
1		Winona County	12	54	0	521	587	9	596	622	95.82%	0	0
1	50	Wabasha	4	40	0	127	171	1	172	182	94.51%	0	0
1	110	Lake City	8	16	0	125	149	1	150	169	88.76%	0	0
1	179	Plainview	6	23	0	100	129	1	130	135	96.30%	0	0
1	546	Kellogg	0	6	0	38	44	0	44	50	88.00%	0	0
1	573	Elgin	0	3	0	24	27	0	27	28	96.43%	0	0
1	579	Millville	1	17	0	87	105	0	105	104	100.96%	0	0
1	588	Mazeppa	0	8	0	47	55	0	55	63	87.30%	0	0
1		Wabsha County	19	113	0	548	680	3	683	731	93.43%	0	0
1	92	Rochester	5	82	0	513	600	11	611	681	89.72%	0	0
1	119	Byron	2	13	0	95	110	1	111	127	87.40%	0	0
1	164	Stewartville	17	20	0	223	260	2	262	259	101.16%	0	0
1	446	Rochester	0	2	0	7	9	0	9	6	150.00%	0	0
1	551	Eyota	2	23	0	139	164	1	165	173	95.38%	0	0
1		Olmsted County	26	140	0	977	1143	15	1158	1246	92.94%	0	0
1		Area One	57	307	0	2046	2410	27	2437	2599	93.77%	0	0
1	295	West Concord	0	6	0	28	34	0	34	36	94.44%	0	0
1	330	Hayfield	7	12	0	151	170	0	170	179	94.97%	0	0
1	333	Kasson	2	29	0	162	193	0	193	228	84.65%	0	0

1	384	Dodge Center	1	8	0	41	50	1	51	63	80.95%	0	0
1	422	Claremont	0	3	0	23	26	0	26	28	92.86%	0	0
1		Dodge County	10	58	0	405	473	1	474	534	88.76%	0	0
1	52	Blooming Prairie	0	16	0	55	71	1	72	76	94.74%	0	0
1	77	Owatonna	7	51	0	268	326	6	332	342	97.08%	0	0
1	296	Ellendale	0	5	0	34	39	0	39	45	86.67%	0	0
1		Steel County	7	72	0	357	436	7	443	463	95.68%	0	0
1	75	New Richland	0	8	0	29	37	0	37	40	92.50%	0	0
1	228	Waseca	6	20	0	200	226	0	226	244	92.62%	0	0
1	281	Janesville	1	3	0	58	62	0	62	66	93.94%	0	0
1	587	Waldorf	0	0	0	17	17	0	17	18	94.44%	0	0
1		Waseca County	7	31	0	304	342	0	342	368	92.93%	0	0
		Area Two	24	161	0	1066	1251	8	1259	1365	92.23%	0	0
1	40	Lanesboro	3	12	0	82	97	0	97	97	100.00%	0	0
1	68	Spring Valley	0	6	0	44	50	0	50	58	86.21%	0	0
1	81	Harmony	0	0	0	18	18	0	18	20	90.00%	0	0
1	94	Rushford	2	9	0	77	88	0	88	99	88.89%	0	0
1	166	Preston	1	15	0	29	45	0	45	47	95.74%	0	0
1	197	Chatfield	0	1	0	34	35	0	35	35	100.00%	0	0
1	299	Mabel	5	26	0	104	135	0	135	131	103.05%	0	0
1	369	Wykoff	0	0	0	13	13	0	13	16	81.25%	0	0
1	400	Canton	1	0	0	18	19	0	19	21	90.48%	0	0
1	492	Fountain	0	0	0	8	8	0	8	9	88.89%	0	0
1	526	Peterson	0	4	0	25	29	0	29	32	90.63%	0	0
1	544	Ostrander	0	2	0	15	17	0	17	19	89.47%	0	0
1	637	Whalan	0	0	0	6	6	0	6	10	60.00%	0	0

1		Fillmore County	12	75	0	473	560	0	560	594	94.28%	0	0
1	191	Caledonia	8	10	0	90	108	0	108	110	98.18%	0	0
1	249	Spring Grove	0	10	0	106	116	0	116	128	90.63%	0	0
1	423	Houston	3	9	0	79	91	0	91	94	96.81%	0	0
1	498	Hokah	1	1	0	15	17	0	17	20	85.00%	0	0
1	595	LaCrescent	0	39	0	150	189	2	191	202	94.55%	0	0
1		Houston County	12	69	0	440	521	2	523	554	94.40%	0	0
1		Area Three	24	144	0	913	1081	2	1083	1148	94.34%	0	0
1	56	Albert Lea	9	34	0	333	376	7	383	418	91.63%	0	0
1	264	Glenville	3	9	0	66	78	0	78	66	118.18%	0	0
1	266	Hartland	0	1	0	12	13	0	13	14	92.86%	0	0
1	317	Emmons	1	2	0	35	38	0	38	40	95.00%	0	0
1	404	Alden	1	3	0	44	48	1	49	70	70.00%	0	0
1	552	Freeborn	0	5	0	22	27	0	27	28	96.43%	0	0
1		Freeborn County	14	54	0	512	580	8	588	636	92.45%	0	0
1	91	Austin	5	41	0	258	304	2	306	352	86.93%	0	0
1	105	Lyle	0	8	0	56	64	0	64	71	90.14%	0	0
1	140	Grand Meadow	0	4	0	22	26	0	26	31	83.87%	0	0
1	146	Adams	4	17	0	103	124	0	124	137	90.51%	0	0
1	161	LeRoy	1	4	0	32	37	0	37	45	82.22%	0	0
1	570	Austin Spam	1	0	0	11	12	0	12	12	100.00%	0	0
1		Mower County	11	74	0	482	567	2	569	648	87.81%	0	0
1		Area Four	25	128	0	994	1147	10	1157	1284	90.11%	0	0
1	1111	Dakota	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0
1		District Totals	130	740	0	5019	5889	47	5936	6396	92.81%	0	0

		Vice Commanders											
		Area One	57	307	0	2046	2410	27	2437	2599	93.77%	0	0
		Area Two	24	161	0	1066	1251	8	1259	1365	92.23%	0	0
		Area Three	24	144	0	913	1081	2	1083	1148	94.34%	0	0
		Area Four	25	128	0	994	1147	10	1157	1284	90.11%	0	0

The American Legion Department of Minnesota 2026 4-22-2026 District Membership Report

Dist	Rank												
1	6th	Brian Medinnus	130	740	0	5019	5889	47	5936	6396	92.81%		
2	4th	Tom Behrends	99	517	0	4120	4736	15	4751	5104	93.08%		
3	3rd	Amy Larsen	215	1488	0	6831	8,534	113	8,647	9,251	93.47%		
4	9th	Jon Haworth	35	246	0	1116	1397	8	1405	1,568	89.60%		
5	10th	Lynn Nottage	31	229	0	889	1149	10	1159	1305	88.81%		
6	1st	Frank Grittner	214	1011	0	7236	8461	107	8,568	9,043	94.75%		
7	7th	Pete Flannery	76	573	0	3651	4300	8	4308	4,645	92.74%		
8	8th	Steven Birkemeyer	82	285	0	2225	2592	24	2616	2857	91.56%		
9	5th	Dennis Henkemeyer	86	489	0	3875	4450	44	4494	4829	93.06%		
10	2nd	Bill Gordon	194	877	0	5251	6322	85	6407	6846	93.59%		
99			11	195	0	1320	1526	0	1526	1751	87.15%		
Totals			1173	6650	0	41,533	49,356	461	49,817	53,595	92.94%		





MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AVAILIABLE

Kasson Post 333 has a over supply of medical equipment which includes hospital beds with mattresses, wheel chairs (both regular and electric), motorized scooters and much more. If interested please call Richard Denny at 507—259—2081 for more information.



We Want and Need You!
**As a Minnesota American Legion
Department, District, or Post
Historian**

- Do you have 5-10 hours per month to gather Post information?
- Do you enjoy working from home and/or at monthly meetings?
 - Network with other post historians and share ideas?
- Be provided with "Historian 101" guidelines to give you ideas?
 - Have 24/7 assistance when needed?

**There is no right or wrong way to create a "History" book for your post,
and you have 12 months to complete the mission.**

****Looking for the best history book display within a post****

Email me a picture of yours between March 1 and April 30, 2026, to enter.

**The winner will be announced at the Minnesota 107th
Convention, July 9 - 11, 2026 (time/date TBA)**

There will also be a Historian Book Contest, and a winner that weekend.

Contact me for more information.

Minnesota Department, District 1 and SPAM Post 570 Historian

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Albert Lea, MN

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FLAG ETIQUETTE AT PARADES



When an American Flag passes:

- Stand Up
- Remove your hat
- Place your right hand over your heart
- Stop any conversation you are having

Note: It is not necessary to salute every American Flag that passes.

- If it is carried by an honor guard or in a group with other flags, stand up and salute (veterans) or pay respect to the Flag.
- Do not salute small hand-held flags carried by attendees & participants

Teach children to respect our nation's Flag. If they are given a small Flag, please do not throw it on the ground or in the street.

FIRST DISTRICT AUXILIARY NEWS



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Thank you to the 18 units who got their annual reports in by April 20th. Very disappointing to only receive 13 Units Year-End Impact Numbers Report. The year end impact report is what is taken to Congress along with the American Legion numbers when fighting for veteran's issues/rights that they want to see funded or changed by Congress. We all contribute somehow to these numbers! We need to start reporting them. Please try to start doing tis when we start our new year in September.

The Department Junior Convention was held in Stewartville with Friday Fun Night on Friday April 10th and Convention on Saturday April 11th. Those in attendance had a good time. Total attendance 24 Juniors and 21 Seniors. 1st District attendance 4 Juniors-Stewartville and 1 Junior-La Crescent. I had hoped to see more of our juniors when we show 160 Juniors in the district.

Stewartville Juniors Poppy and Daisy Welter took 1st and 2nd in their class for Poppy Memorial Wreath, Poppy Corsage, Poppy Table Display! Well done! Thank you to Myrna Welter for organizing the convention on behalf of the 1st District.

Our District Convention is being held on May 16th in Lake City Unit 110 at Wild Wings. Registration starts at 8am. Meeting will start at 9am. I look forward to seeing some new faces at Convention! I realize we are all busy, but we really need your attendance. There is so much you can learn from one another to take back to you units.

We have 3200 members and we get under 20. There are few of us who would like to retire! We would love to see new blood and thoughts to help our District keep moving forward. Please consider attending and possibly get involved. The time commitment is not that time consuming.

All trophies need to be brought to convention if your unit has from last year! Please remember to bring or make sure they get there. Maybe someone from your post can bring if needed.

I want to thank Mabel for the invite to their Birthday celebration. I am happy to visit any unit and talk to members.

Thank you to Nancy Lewison and all the volunteers that made the April North Star Honor Flight another success for our area veterans. Everyone should be proud in however way you helped to make this happen for a 4th trip!.

Remember National Poppy Day, Friday, May 22nd! Try to get your local mayor to do a Poppy Proclamation Day! Everyone works hard on the distribution of poppies and how that money is spent helping our veterans and our auxiliary veteran's programs.

Hopefully everyone is working together as the American Legion Family to plan on celebrating our nations 250th Anniversary!

Remember to wear a Poppy during this month! Hope everyone has a wonderful Memorial Day however you spend it with family and friends.

Wanda Prescher

President

May Membership

As of **April 22, 2026**, the Mighty First District is holding strong in **3rd place statewide with 89.13%**. That is real, measurable progress—and it shows the dedication of every Unit working toward our shared mission.

Our next major milestone is 95% by June 12, 2026 (Female Veterans Day).

We already have:

- **10 Units at 100% or better**
- **5 Units at 95% or better**

19 Units below 90%—and absolutely capable of closing the gap

We can meet this goal. I know we can. Each week, we continue to grow, strengthen our membership, and support the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Last week, National encouraged each department to aim for **90 new members**. This week, the target has been adjusted to **85 new members**—a goal that is absolutely achievable when we break it into smaller, manageable steps.

Where to Find Missing Members

Last week, National sent a blast email of renewal notices to members who had not renewed. The result? **Hundreds of members reached out confused**, saying they had already paid.

Why does this happen?

Possible Reasons Paid Members Received Renewal Notices

- The Unit did not process the membership renewal.

The Department has not yet received or processed the renewal.

Imagine how much smoother things would run if Units performed **regular reconciliation reports**.

- Did your Department miss the 85% goal because renewals weren't processed?
- Are Units missing out on recognition they've earned?

Keep Up the Great Work

Your dedication is moving the First District forward every single week.

We are here to support you—please reach out with any questions or if you need help reconciling membership.

Together, we will reach 95% and beyond.

Michelle Weaver

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UNIT	CITY	OBJECTIVE	JUNIOR	SENIOR	TOTAL	PERCENT	25% by 9/15	60% by 11/11	85% by 3/15/26	95% by 6/12/26	100% by 7/4/26	102% by 8/1/26
0009	Winona	111	1	85	86	77.48%	10/25/25	10/25/25				
0040	Lanesboro	98	1	97	98	100.00%	11/18/25	11/18/25	4/8/26	4/8/26	4/8/26	
0050	Wabasha	110	2	106	108	98.18%	9/15/25	10/7/25	12/2/25	2/25/26		
0052	Blooming Prairie	86	1	79	80	93.02%	10/15/25	10/15/25	3/4/26			
0056	Albert Lea	200	16	161	177	88.50%	10/7/25	10/30/25	2/17/26			
0068	Spring Valley	47	1	33	34	72.34%	10/25/25	11/25/25				
0075	New Richland	30	0	28	28	93.33%	11/4/25	11/4/25	12/31/25			
0077	Owatonna	95	1	85	86	90.53%	10/7/25	11/25/25	2/4/26			
0081	Harmony	42	10	28	38	90.48%	11/11/25	11/11/25				
0090	Lewiston	28	4	23	27	96.43%	10/30/25	11/25/25	11/25/25	3/15/26		
0091	Austin	91	0	67	67	73.63%	11/25/25	2/4/26				
0092	Rochester	112	8	95	103	91.96%	9/30/25	10/30/25	3/25/26			
0094	Rushford	49	0	43	43	87.76%	10/7/25	10/15/25	2/4/26			
0105	Lyle	44	8	31	39	88.64%	11/4/25	12/23/25	12/23/25			
0110	Lake City	35	1	33	34	97.14%	11/4/25	11/4/25	3/4/26	3/25/26		
0119	Byron	13	0	12	12	92.31%	9/9/25	9/30/25	10/15/25			
0140	Grand Meadow	61	4	49	53	86.89%	9/15/25	10/15/25	1/20/26			
0146	Adams	116	8	80	88	75.86%	11/11/25	2/4/26				
0161	Le Roy	40	13	28	41	102.50%	10/15/25	10/15/25	12/23/25	12/23/25	2/11/26	4/22/26
0164	Stewartville	158	9	145	154	97.47%	9/15/25	10/25/25	1/14/26	3/31/26		
0179	Plainview	111	5	80	85	76.58%	10/15/25	11/18/25				
0190	Saint Charles	5	0	7	7	140.00%	9/3/25	9/30/25	10/15/25	10/15/25	10/15/25	10/15/25

0191	Caledonia	62	2	53	55	88.71%	9/3/25	10/15/25	11/25/25			
0197	Chatfield	17	0	19	19	111.76%	10/30/25	10/30/25	10/30/25	10/30/25	10/30/25	10/30/25
0228	Waseca	221	11	193	204	92.31%	10/30/25	11/4/25	1/20/26			
0249	Spring Grove	72	2	57	59	81.94%	10/7/25	12/31/25				
0264	Glenville	83	11	83	94	113.25%	9/30/25	10/7/25	11/18/25	11/18/25	11/25/25	11/25/25
0295	West Concord	25	0	20	20	80.00%	12/9/25	12/9/25				
0299	Mabel	102	5	90	95	93.14%	10/15/25	12/9/25	2/25/26			
0330	Hayfield	171	11	127	138	80.70%	10/15/25	11/11/25				
0333	Kasson	123	4	99	103	83.74%	10/15/25	11/4/25				
0369	Wykoff	17	0	22	22	128.13%	11/4/25	11/4/25	11/4/25	11/4/25	11/4/25	11/4/25
0384	Dodge Center	54	6	38	44	81.48%	10/25/25	11/18/25				
0404	Alden	34	2	32	34	100.00%	10/25/25	11/18/25	3/4/26	3/15/26	4/22/26	
0422	Claremont	19	3	16	19	100.00%	12/31/25	12/31/25	12/31/25	12/31/25	12/31/25	
0423	Houston	105	2	88	90	85.71%	10/25/25	10/25/25	3/18/26			
0498	Hokah	17	0	15	15	88.24%	10/25/25	10/25/25	10/30/25			
0526	Peterson	43	1	36	37	86.05%	9/3/25	9/15/25	9/15/25			
0544	Ostrander	8	0	7	7	87.50%	11/11/25	11/18/25	11/18/25			
0551	Eyota	85	2	75	77	90.59%	10/25/25	11/18/25	3/4/26			
0552	Freeborn	53	11	41	52	98.11%	9/3/25	9/3/25	9/23/25	11/11/25		
0573	Elgin	7	0	5	5	71.43%	11/25/25	11/25/25				
0579	Millville	39	0	39	39	100.00%	10/15/25	10/25/25	11/18/25	2/24/26	2/24/26	
0587	Waldorf	14	1	13	14	100.00%	9/3/25	12/16/25	12/16/25	12/31/25	12/31/25	
0588	Mazeppa	32	0	27	27	84.38%	10/30/25	11/25/25				
0595	La Crescent	142	12	110	122	85.92%	10/15/25	11/25/25	1/7/26			
0637	Whalan	13	0	9	9	69.23%	11/11/25	11/11/25				
Total		3,240	179	2709	2888	89.13%						

Public Relations & Membership: May Opportunities for Outreach and Visibility

May is one of the richest months for community engagement in the American Legion Auxiliary. With warmer weather, Memorial Day activities, graduations, and local events filling community calendars, this is the perfect time for Units to step forward, be visible, and share the story of who we are and why we serve.

1. Be Present in Your Community

Spring brings farmers markets, school concerts, parades, and community festivals. These events are natural opportunities to show the Auxiliary in action.

- Wear ALA shirts, pins, or branded colors when attending local events.
- Set up an information table at community gatherings.
- Bring a small “About the ALA” handout to share with anyone who asks.

Offer to help at partner organizations’ events — visibility builds trust. When people see us consistently, they begin to understand our mission.

2. “Just Ask” — The Simplest Membership Tool

Most new members join because someone invited them.

This month, encourage every Unit member to:

- Invite one friend, neighbor, or coworker to a meeting or service project.
- Share why *they* serve — personal stories are powerful.
- Keep a few membership forms handy.

Mention the Auxiliary during conversations about community, veterans, or volunteering. A gentle, genuine invitation can open the door for someone who has been waiting to belong.

3. Use May Events to Highlight Our Mission

May is filled with meaningful opportunities:

- **Poppy distribution**
- **Memorial Day ceremonies**
- **End-of-school service projects**

Community clean-ups and beautification days

Encourage Units to:

- Share photos and short write-ups with local newspapers.
- Post event highlights on social media with a brief explanation of the ALA mission.

Tag community partners, Posts, and local leaders to expand reach.

These small touches help the public see the Auxiliary’s heart for service.

4. Capture Your Unit's History

Every event, every project, every smiling volunteer becomes part of your Unit's legacy.

Remind members to:

- Take photos at meetings, service projects, and community events.
- Save copies of flyers, press releases, and social media posts.
- Keep a simple digital or printed scrapbook for the year.

Label photos with dates, names, and events for future reference.

Today's snapshots become tomorrow's history — and they help future members understand the impact you made.

5. Celebrate Community Connections

Partnerships strengthen our mission and expand our reach.

Encourage Units to:

- Publicly thank schools, churches, Scouts, and local businesses that support ALA projects.
- Invite partners to join you at Memorial Day or Poppy events.

Share collaborative stories in newsletters and local media.

Visibility leads to curiosity — and curiosity leads to new members.

Closing Thought

Public Relations is more than posting updates. It's telling the story of who we are, what we do, and why it matters. By showing up, sharing our mission, and inviting others to join us, we strengthen our Units, honor our veterans, and build the next generation of Auxiliary leaders.

Michelle Weaver

Public Relations Chairman

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Auxiliary Call to Convention 2026

The annual First District of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Minnesota is hereby called. It is to be held in Lake City, Minnesota on Saturday May 16, 2026. The Auxiliary session will be held at the Wild Wings Plaza located at Hwy 61 South, Lake City, Minnesota.

The opening session will be called on, May 16, 2026, at 9:30 am.

The purpose of the convention is to:

Elect District Officers for the 2026 – 2027 year

Receive reports of Unit Presidents

Receive reports of District Chairman's

Elect delegates and alternates to the National Convention

Conduct such other business as may be brought before the Convention in conformity with the provisions of the Department and National Constitutions.

District Chairmen

All District Chairmen must file/type a report for the District Book of Annual Reports, which will be distributed at the Convention. Reports should include information from the Unit annual reports forwarded to each respective Chairman by the Department office shortly after April 15 and any pertinent information regarding District projects or activities in your program area. Reports should be forwarded to the First District President **No later than April 15, 2026**. If possible, reports should be typewritten and ready to print.

District Chairmen are also responsible to judge the Annual Reports in their respective program area for trophies, awards and certificates of merit according to the District Standing Rules. They should notify the District President of winners of Certificates of merit prior to the opening of the Convention so that the certificates can be properly prepared, signed and awarded at the Convention.

Unit Color Bearers

Units are encouraged to bring their flags to the Convention to be presented as part of the opening ceremonies, posted during the Auxiliary sessions, and retired at the close of the convention. Auxiliary members who are carrying in their flags at the District Convention are asked to meet at the session meeting room at 8:00 am on Saturday, May 17, 2025, to rehearse.

Pages and Color Bearers

Pages and color bearers are expected to wear **white blouses, navy blue skirts or slacks, and comfortable shoes**. No jewelry except rings, watches and small earrings should be worn while acting as a page or color bearer.

Unit Presidents

All Unit Presidents are asked to take part in the **Opening Ceremonies** at the District Convention regardless of whether their Unit Colors will be present. Please be at the session meeting room at 8:00 am to rehearse.

All Unit Presidents are expected to prepare a two-minute report about unit activities throughout this past year.

Reports may include summaries of Unit activities or specific activities unique to the Unit that may provide ideas for other Units. **Presidents will present their report** during the convention sessions and submit a **written copy of that report** to the District Secretary upon completion of their presentation. Unit Presidents who are unable to attend the convention may prepare a report to be read by another unit member or may forward a written report to the District Secretary prior to the Convention.

County Council Presidents

County Council Presidents are expected to be prepared to report on their county's activities, what their county does to keep their council active, and ideas that may help other counties start a council.



FROM YOUR COMMANDER

Greetings Legion Family,

The SAL District Convention is only one week away, so I am going to make this very short with two pleas:

PLEASE send a representative from your squadron to the convention. Any member can be selected as the delegate for their squadron. It doesn't have to be a squadron officer.

PLEASE consider taking a District office. We need fresh energy and new ideas.

Josh Erickson
SAL District Commander

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Membership as April 26, 2026

Sqdrn.	Location	2025 Results (7/29/2025)	2026 Goal	New	PUFL	Renewal	HQ Tran	Grand Total	% of Goal	Date Goal Reached
9	Winona	153	157	17	0	149	0	166	105.73%	2/15/2026
40	Lanesboro	68	68	1	0	62	0	63	92.65%	
50	Wabasha	23	24	1	0	14	0	15	62.50%	
52	Blooming Prairie	34	34	0	0	32	0	32	94.12%	
56	Albert Lea	94	96	7	0	80	0	87	90.63%	
77	Owatonna	105	108	8	0	96	0	104	96.30%	
90	Lewiston	48	49	2	0	47	0	49	100.00%	1/4/2026
91	Austin	61	63	1	0	46	0	47	74.60%	
92	Rochester	85	87	6	0	60	0	66	75.86%	
94	Rushford	38	41	12	0	20	0	32	78.05%	
105	Lyle	31	33	2	0	29	0	31	93.94%	
119	Byron	25	26	2	0	24	0	26	100.00%	2/8/2026
146	Adams	100	100	0	0	65	0	65	65.00%	
161	Leroy	35	36	0	0	35	0	35	97.22%	
164	Stewartville	116	117	15	0	102	0	117	100.00%	3/29/2026
166	Preston	55	57	11	0	48	0	59	103.51%	12/7/2025
179	Plainview	7	7	3	0	5	0	8	114.29%	11/30/2025
190	St Charles	3	3	0	0	2	0	2	66.67%	
191	Caledonia	8	8	2	0	3	0	5	62.50%	
228	Waseca	140	142	19	0	124	0	143	100.70%	4/19/2026
264	Glennville	72	73	12	0	66	0	78	106.85%	1/12/2026
266	Hartland	10	10	0	0	10	0	10	100.00%	9/14/2025
281	Janesville	6	6	0	0	7	0	7	116.67%	12/7/2025
299	Mabel	19	20	0	0	17	0	17	85.00%	
317	Emmons	51	54	2	0	44	0	46	85.19%	
330	Hayfield	54	56	8	0	51	0	59	105.36%	2/8/2026
333	Kasson	37	37	1	0	32	0	33	89.19%	
384	Dodge Center	9	11	0	0	5	0	5	45.45%	
404	Alden	54	54	1	0	52	0	53	98.15%	
423	Houston	13	13	0	0	12	0	12	92.31%	
446	Rochester	31	33	0	0	29	0	29	87.88%	
546	Kellogg	12	12	0	0	12	0	12	100.00%	2/1/2026
551	Eyota	36	36	4	0	33	0	37	102.78%	3/29/2026
552	Freeborn	26	26	0	0	5	0	5	19.23%	
579	Millville	23	23	0	0	23	0	23	100.00%	11/9/2025
595	La Crescent	63	65	2	0	65	0	67	103.08%	3/8/2026
1st District Totals		1745	1785	139	0	1506	0	1645	92.16%	

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Off Goose Egg 2/1/2026



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION DETACHMENT OF MINNESOTA

APPLICATION FOR PAID UP FOR LIFE (PUFL) MEMBERSHIP

- 1 This plan shall become available commencing with the 2007 membership year, beginning July 1, 2006. The Detachment of Minnesota SAL PUFL Committee shall be authorized to change the Minnesota SAL PUFL Membership plan subject to the approval of the Detachment Executive Committee and The American Legion Department of Minnesota Executive Committee.
- 2 The entire amount of the Minnesota SAL PUFL Membership must accompany this application unless other arrangements are approved by the Detachment PUFL Committee for the payment plan. The payment plan is as follows: 25% paid with application, and the balance to be paid in 3 payments of 25 % every 3 months. No credit card payments will be accepted. NOTE: Current membership dues must be paid in full. If paying after October 01, pay the upcoming membership year to allow for processing.
- 3 There will be no refunds to any member that participates in the Minnesota SAL PUFL Membership Plan.
- 4 Increases in District, Detachment or National dues will be absorbed by the SAL PUFL Fund.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE																		
AGE	0 - 4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80-84	85+
COST	\$640	\$615	\$595	\$575	\$550	\$525	\$500	\$470	\$435	\$400	\$360	\$320	\$275	\$240	\$200	\$165	\$135	\$115

PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICATION BELOW. PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION. PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE.

Thank you for your continued dedication and service to the Sons of The American Legion and everything we stand for. Together, we can lead the way for another year of growth, action, and pride in our mission.

For God and Country.

God Bless our troops, past and present and God Bless the USA.

Greg Lemmer

Membership Director S.A.L. District One

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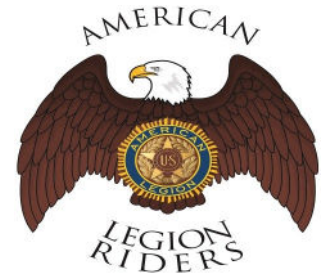
The Sons of The American Legion National Americanism Commission adopted ongoing support of Flying Flags for Heroes as an official program via S.A.L. Resolution X in the Spring of 2022. It is the goal of the Sons of The American Legion for the Flying Flags for Heroes program to help inspire true patriotism within our communities and help promote national pride in our country, its ensign, its military, and veterans throughout the entire Legion family.

Help the Commission reach our dual goals of 1,000,000 flag placements and 100% Detachment participation in 2026 prior to the 54th National Convention by reporting the flag placements of your Post, Squadron, Unit, or Chapter before **August 8th, 2026**.

Visit **FlyingFlagsForHeros.com** for more information or use the QR code below to take you directly to the reporting area of the website.



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Are you interested in joining the 1st District American Legion Riders? Want to know who to reach out to about a Chapter near you? Below are contacts for the Chapters in the 1st District. Also listed are the District ALR officers and their contact info.

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You can also get information about the District ALR on our Facebook page. **1st District ALR of MN**

Sunshine Miller Maloney, 1st District Secretary

Hello Everyone,

So that we could all attend the Awareness & Expo Day hosted by the Rushford Legion Riders on May 2nd we took a vote to change the 2026 ALR Annual Convention from 1300 to 1100/or following the SAL Convention conclusion. This vote passed at our meeting on March 12 in Stewartville. This will only be for the 2026 convention.

Below is a list of the upcoming events that I am aware of. Please reach out to me & let me know what you have planned for the upcoming months so we can make plans to support one another's events. There is also a list of the dates/times for the MN Dept Fund 85 Ride printed in the newsletter.

Sat, May 2nd – Rushford Riders - Expo Day (Noon to 4pm)

Sun, May 10th – Austin Riders - Mother's Day Breakfast

Fri, May 15th – Glenville Riders – Kickoff Party for Nation of Patriots (NOP)

Sat, May 16th – Nation of Patriots Ride–Bergdale Harley in Albert Lea to Mason City, IA

Sat, May 16th – First District Convention in Lake City

Sat, June 6th – Rushford Riders – Thunder in the Valley

Sat, June 6th – Austin Riders – Mary's Angels Alzheimer Ride

Sat, June 27th – Eyota Riders – PTSD Awareness Ride

Sat, June 27th – Austin Riders – Big Jim's Toys4Tots Ride

Thursday, July 23 – Saturday, July 25 – MN Dept Fund 85 Ride (ends Saturday at Waseca Legion)

Sat, August 29 – Winona Riders – Island City Cruise

Ride Safe,

Wes Halverson, ALR Director

MN ALR – FUND 85 RIDE - 2026

Day 1 - Thursday, July 23

Depart	Location	Destination	Miles	Time	Arrive	Stop Time
8:00	New Ulm	Redwood Falls	41	50	8:50	60
9:50	Redwood Falls	Lamberton	30	35	10:25	45
11:10	Lamberton	Fulda	43	50	12:00	30
12:30	Fulda	Pipestone	42	50	1:20	60
2:20	Pipestone	Marshall	44	45	3:05	30
3:35	Marshall	Granite Falls	31	35	4:10	30
4:40	Granite Falls	Montevideo	15	20	5:00	KSD

Day 2 - Friday, July 24

Depart	Location	Destination	Miles	Time	Arrive	Stop Time
8:00	Montevideo	Olivia	45	50	8:50	60
9:50	Olivia	Springfield	40	50	10:40	45
11:25	Springfield	St James	35	40	12:05	60
1:05	St James	Fairmont	30	40	1:45	45
2:30	Fairmont	Lake Crystal	38	40	3:10	45
3:55	Lake Crystal	St Peter	25	30	4:30	KSD

Day 3 - Saturday, July 25

Depart	Location	Destination	Miles	Time	Arrive	Stop Time
8:00	St Peter	Faribault	40	45	8:45	60
9:45	Faribault	Kasson	45	45	10:30	45
11:15	Kasson	Adams	42	45	12:00	60
1:00	Adams	Austin	18	25	1:25	45
2:10	Austin	Glenville	21	30	2:40	45
3:25	Glenville	Albert Lea	8	15	3:40	45
4:25	Albert Lea	Waseca	33	35	5:00	KSD



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SEND OFF PARTY
May 15th @ 5:00 pm
Glenville, MN

American Legion Post #264

- Live bands with food and drink
- Massive tent / rain or shine
- Ride registration available

STARTING CEREMONY
May 16th @ 10:00 am
Albert Lea, MN

Bergdale Harley Davidson

- Registration starts at 9:00 am
- Honor Guard led ceremony honoring Veterans, Purple Heart recipients and service family members
- Special guest speakers

Ride departs at 11:00 am

1st STOP
Mason City, IA

Harley Davidson of Mason City

- Police escorts through larger towns
- Preset Road guards to ensure safety
- Approximately 1 ½ hours road time
- Recovery Vehicles on site
- Flag Passing Ceremony in Mason City, Iowa

To Donate contact:
Larry Larson (507) 383 3389



www.nationofpatriots.com

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

1ST DISTRICT

AWARENESS & RECRUITMENT DAY

****BIKE & Side-by-Side Show ****

Contact: Ray Steichen by April 25th
to enter yours!!! 507-273-8972
Prizes for each Category/Judging
begins @ 3 pm.



LUNCH: Burger & Chips \$7.00
Assorted desserts will be
available for purchase.

Join us Saturday, May 2nd
Noon to 4 pm @ Rushford American Legion
301 MN-16, Rushford, MN 55971

The Legion Bar
KENTUCKY DERBY PARTY

Beverages, pizza, and
sandwiches will be
available in the bar.



Horse Racing
V2 Pull-Tab Horse Racing in the
Bar @ 1:00 pm
(subject to a sufficient number
of participants).



Display and Information Booths:

American Legion, Auxiliary, Sons of the Legion, Legion Riders, M&M
Lawn & Leisure of Rushford, Tiger Law, and so much more!!

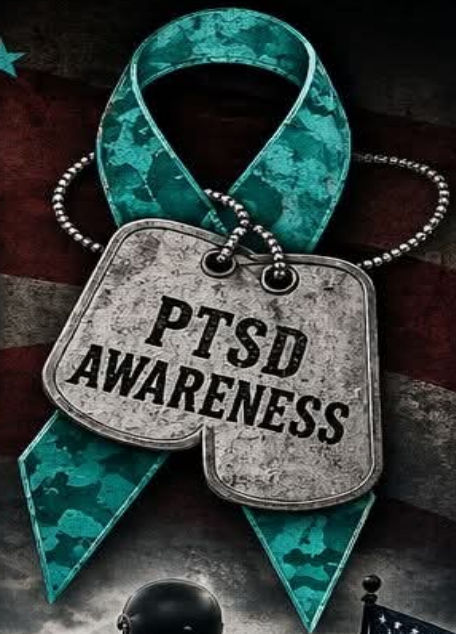


Proceeds will be used for Veterans and Veterans' programs.

★ EYOTA AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS ★

PTSD

AWARENESS RIDE



★
SATURDAY
JUNE 27, 2026



REGISTRATION 9:15 - 9:45 AM
AT EYOTA LEGION POST 551



FIRST STOP WILL BE AT THE
VA HOME IN PRESTON
★ *Grilling Out with the Vets* ★



DONATION INCLUDES LUNCH - \$25 PER PERSON

OTHER STOPS WILL INCLUDE THE
RUSHFORD & PLAINVIEW LEGIONS
AND ALTURA VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK



★ **OPEN TO ALL** ★
STREET LEGAL VEHICLES

PROCEEDS WILL GO TO THE
PRESTON VA HOME &
NORTH STAR HONOR FLIGHT





POST 94 RUSHFORD AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

**THUNDER
IN THE
VALLEY**

Saturday - June 6 - 2026

STREET LEGAL VEHICLES WELCOME

HELD RAIN OR SHINE

\$25 Rider \$15 Passenger

**9am-10am REGISTRATION RUSHFORD
KSU 10:30am**

**STOPS
INCLUDE:**

- American Legion, Rushford
- American Legion, Mabel
- Buzzards New Albin
- Good Times, Caledonia
- American Legion, Rushford

**PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT VETERANS,
VETERAN PROGRAMS,
AND FAMILIES**





Sons of The American Legion

La Crescent Squadron 595

Omelet & French Toast Breakfast

Sunday, May 31, 2026

8 am to Noon

La Crescent Area Event Center

Build Your Own Omelets - \$12.00

- **Fixings:** Ham, Sausage, Onions, Green Peppers, Mushrooms, Cheese, Taco Fixings, or Pizza Fixings

French Toast - \$7.00



Breakfast also
includes
Toast, Coffee,
Juice, and Milk



2026 Event Dates

April 9	Broasted Chicken: 5:00 to 6:30 or until gone
April 18	SAL Chicken Q. Serving 11:00 to 2:00 or until gone
May 9	Chicken Q - Event Sponsor is Winona Chiefs Baseball. They will sell tickets and serve the meals. SAL will grill the chicken. Serving 11:00 to 2:00 or until gone
May 10	Mother's Day Breakfast Serving time TBD
May 14	Broasted Chicken: 5:00 to 6:30 or until gone
September 10	Broasted Chicken: 5:00 to 6:30 or until gone
September 19	SAL Chicken- Q. Serving 11:00 to 2:00 or until gone
October 8	Broasted Chicken: 5:00 to 6:30 or until gone
October 10	Chicken Q - Event Sponsor is Winona Cotter HS Speech Team (TBD) They will sell tickets and serve the meals. SAL will grill the chicken. Serving 11:00 to 2:00 or until gone
November 12	Broasted Chicken: 5:00 to 6:30 or until gone
December 10	Broasted Chicken: 5:00 to 6:30 or until gone

We hope you can join us and experience the great family environment at the Winona American Legion.

ADAMS AMERICAN LEGION POST 146 Chicken, Fish, & Steak Fry Schedule



Serving Time: 5:30-7:30 p.m.*

*(*Unless Noted)* (507) 582-3266



2025 SCHEDULE

Chicken & Steak Fry, Legion	September 6
Chicken & Steak Fry, SAL	September 20
Chicken & Steak Fry, Legion.....	October 4
Chicken & Steak Fry, Southland Trap Shoot.....	October 18
Chicken & Steak Fry, Legion	November 1
Steak Fry, Knights of Columbus	November 22
Chicken & Steak Fry, Cancer, Snowmobile Club	December 13
Windsor Chops, New Years Eve, Legion.....	December 31

2026 SCHEDULE

Chicken & Steak Fry, Legion.....	January 10
Chicken & Steak Fry, SAL.....	January 24
Chicken & Steak Fry, Legion.....	February 7
Chicken & Steak Fry, SAL.....	February 21
Fish Fry, Auxiliary	March 6
Steak Fry, Sportsman Club.....	March 14
Fish Fry, SAL.....	March 20
Fish Fry, Legion	March 27
Chicken & Steak Fry, Auxiliary	April 11
Chicken & Steak Fry, Legion Baseball Team	April 25
Chicken & Steak Fry Legion	May 2
Chicken & Steak Fry, Southland Trap Shoot	May 16
Steak Fry, Legion, Dairy Days	June 13
Chicken & Steak Fry, Legion, Dairy Days	June 14

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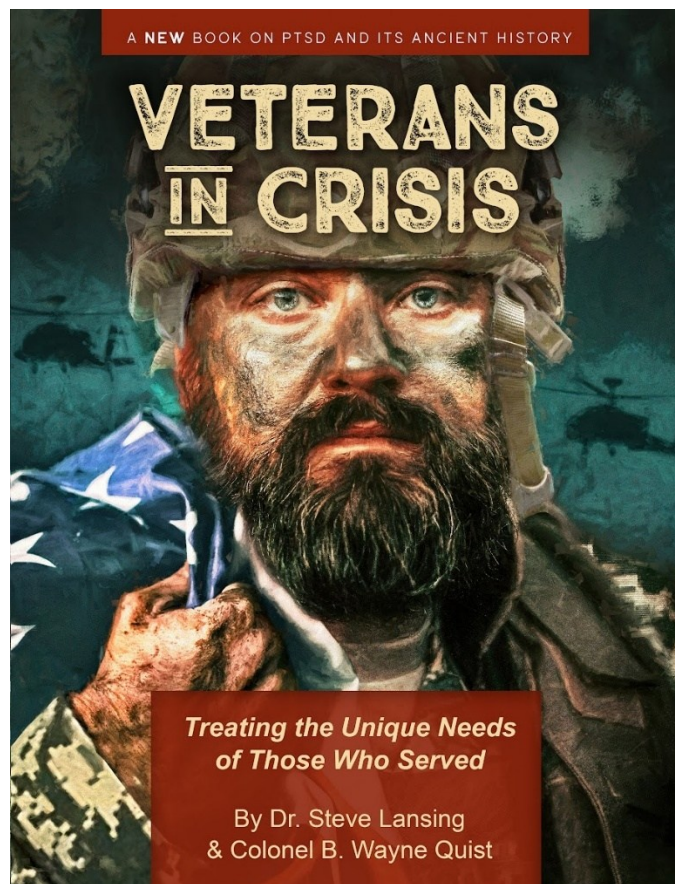
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\$12.00 AT THE DOOR

BREAKFAST INCLUDES: EGGS, SAUSAGE, BISQUITS & GRAVY,
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ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES

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