

JUL. 2023

# AMERICAN LEGION

## LEGIONNAIRE 560 Home Port of the U.S.S. Liberty

Summer is in full swing now and it's going fast! We've been having so much fun on our patio and want to thank all of you for coming out to see the bands and support our groups! That said, we have two of our BIGGEST events of the summer coming up, consider signing up and spreading the word! Happy 4th of July!

### WE TEED 'EM FOR FREEDOM!

#### Auxiliary Golf Tournament

Saturday, August 12th at  
Princeton Golf Club

Sign up at the Post! The Registration sheets are hanging on the board by the bathrooms.



### 8th ANNUAL RIB COOK-OFF

#### Compete or Just Eat!

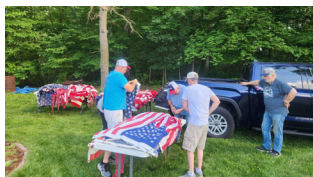
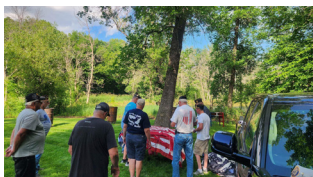
Saturday, August 26th

Tickets on Sale at 1:00 PM for Ribs

Cookers Sign Up at [MNPost560.com/Ribs](http://MNPost560.com/Ribs)



Our leadership were sworn in on June 14th and our Flags were retired on June 19th. Thank you to all of you volunteers (you know who you are) who tirelessly make all of these things happen. We appreciate you so much.



## Every Monday! 6:30 PM

**\$750**  
coverall  
jackpot  
every week!



**AND CASH RACES BEFORE BINGO!**

## August 10th Blood Drive

at Station 1 Event Center  
Register at [Redcross.org](http://Redcross.org)!

American Red Cross



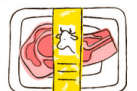
Please give blood.

## NOTICE!!!

**NO FRIDAY NIGHT  
MEAT RAFFLE  
for the summer.**



**We will resume in  
September!**





Greetings! Thanks to everyone who came out and helped with flag retirement. We **retired 305 American flags and 36 miscellaneous flags**. Keep in mind, we will be having another flag retirement later this year.

If you haven't heard Frank Grittner is stepping down as gambling manager. Over the last couple years, Frank has done an amazing and wonderful job for the gambling organization. I would just like to say thank you for everything and wish you luck on your next adventure in life. Gary Lore will be taking over gambling on July 1st. I know Gary will do a fantastic job as well. I'm looking forward to working with him. As always keep a look out on Facebook to see what is happening/coming up at the post. I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful Fourth of July.

God Bless,  
Paul McCormick  
Commander, plmccormick@outlook.com



Hello Legion Family! Your Legion Riders had a very emotional month. Thank you for all the love and support from all of you.

We had our Veterans' Motorcycle and Classic Car Ride on June 4th. It was a beautiful day and we had a great turnout. A huge thank you to our Post, the bar staff, the Auxiliary, and the SAL for all their help and support. We were able to present **\$16,500 in donations at the end of the ride**. Following the ride, we held our drawing for our cash raffle. We received more contributions as well. It was a very therapeutic day for us all.

On June 15th we were honored to be able to escort our fallen member up to the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Little Falls. We were joined by riders from the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association, VFW Riders and other American Legion Riders. We were also met at the cemetery by members of Patriot Guard. Rest in peace, Brother. Until we meet again.

We have a little break in our activities now so we can get some riding in and enjoy our summer. In the meantime, we'll be gearing up for our events in the fall. I look forward to just hanging out on the patio with our members.

Thank you again for all the support you give our group. God Bless America!  
Loren

**From recently retired Gambling Manager Frank Grittner:**

I'd like to say THANK YOU to everyone for your support and encouragement over the past 2 1/2 years I spent as Gambling Manager here at Post 560. Only through your continued support can we make the impact that we do in our community, and most especially to our veterans and our youth. Just so you are aware, in my time as Gambling Manager, we have **donated over \$200,000.00 to our veterans, community, and youth**. And that does not include the utilities we paid at the Post, any of the improvements we made at the Post, or any taxes, license fees or anything of that nature. That is just what we donated.

While I will not be going away, it was just time for me to move on to my next adventures. I wish Gary Lore and the rest of the Charitable Gambling staff nothing but the very best. I will continue to support them in any way I can, and I look forward to seeing all of you at the Post. Once again THANK YOU! And may God Bless one and all!



**Check out our website at [www.MNPost560.com](http://www.MNPost560.com) or scan the QR code and follow us on Facebook for daily updates!**







Greetings! I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. It's hard to believe July is upon us.

We raised **\$2,348.00 in Poppy donations this year**. Outstanding job! A special **THANK YOU to Andrea Hollister & Kathy Palmquist** for their hard work in leading this event. Thank you to our amazing community for your generous donations. Profits made from this event were donated to the following:

- Legacy Scholarship Program - \$782.00
- Dept Junior President Project - \$782.00
- TFA (Temporary Financial Assistance) - \$782.00

The Auxiliary is busy preparing for our Annual Golf Tournament. ***It's not too late to sign up or be a sponsor. We still have openings available. The Auxiliary is also selling Raffle Tickets.*** We'd love to have you join us on this fun-filled event.

The Auxiliary donated **\$500.00 to Legionville** to help with essential items that were needed.

**NOTE: We will NOT have a meeting in July.**

The next Auxiliary meeting is **August 1st @ 6:00 PM**. Come join us if you're able.

God Bless and Take Care!

Donna Schermann – Auxiliary President, donna.schermann@gmail.com – 763-213-9017



Hello and greetings from the SAL!!! So far things are moving on nicely for us here at the SAL.

We have a little bit of a lull in our schedule with the SAL. It was an honor for our SAL to help the Riders out on their Veterans Ride by assisting with some traffic control to help them take-off and arrive safely back to our Post. We are also going to have our very own SAL members Don, Ron, Rod, and Jeff taking part of the Auxiliary Golf tournament coming up on August 12, kick some butts gentlemen!!

Our next event for the SAL will be in conjunction with the Rib Cook Off on August 26th. We already have a gun in our case at the Post and are currently selling raffle tickets for that one. We will continue to place different guns in the case as we sell out of the tickets for each one. These will be raffled off at the Rib Cook Off. And, we will also be having a couple gun flash sales and opportunities to purchase tip boards the day of the Rib Cook Off. So get ready to taste some excellent ribs and take advantage of the flash sales and tip boards.

Well at this time I'm sure everyone is getting ready for their annual 4Th of July celebrations!! Be safe and have an excellent time. Until next time..... Paul Quinn, SAL Commander

## AN UPDATE ON THE GOLD STAR FAMILIES MEMORIAL MONUMENT

The Gold Star Families Memorial Monument is starting to take shape. Thanks to Jason Nelson Landscaping, Kenny Devries, Dan Humble, and Joe Korienek The footing is in and backfilled. The excavating, rebar and cement labor and stump removal have all been donated, Thanks to these guys. Phase 2 is the walkways, flagpole and getting a well going at the park. Once these items are in we will update everyone on phase 3.

- The Gold Star Families Memorial Committee



## POST 560 OFFICERS

Commander, Paul McCormick  
1st Vice, Chad Culbertson  
2nd Vice, Tom Wilkinson  
Adjutant, Bob Lundgren  
Sergeant At Arms, Del Whittlef  
Chaplain, Frank Grittner  
Service Officer, Travis Culbertson  
Historian, Ron Mathison  
Legion & SAL Membership,  
Bob Lundgren  
Auxiliary President,  
Donna Schermann  
Auxiliary Membership,  
Angela Moran  
SAL Commander, Paul Quinn  
SAL 1st Vice, Mick Wilkinson  
Bar Manager, Heidi Larcom Gambling  
Manager, Gary Lore  
Exec at Large, Sergio Sajon and Gary  
Regel  
Legion Riders Director, Loren Sikkink



## Meetings & Events

### July 2023

03 - NO BINGO  
04 - 4th of July - CLOSED  
10 - NO BINGO  
11 - Legion Rider Meeting 7:00 pm  
12 - General Membership Meeting 6:30 pm  
18 - SAL Meeting 6:30 pm  
26 - Executive Board Meeting 6:00 pm

### August 2023

01 - Auxiliary Meeting 6:00 pm  
08 - Legion Rider Meeting 7:00 pm  
09 - General Membership Meeting 6:30 pm  
12 - Auxiliary Golf Tournament  
15 - SAL Meeting 6:30 pm  
23 - Executive Board Meeting 6:00 pm  
26 - 8th Annual Rib Cook-Off &  
Bean Bag Tournament

*Have a Safe & Happy  
4th of July!*



### BAR HOURS

Monday-Thursday 11:00 am - 11:00 pm  
Friday & Saturday 11:00 am - 1:00 am  
Sundays 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

### GAMBLING BOOTH HOURS

Monday-Thursday 4:00 pm - close  
Friday-Sunday 12:00 pm - close

*E-Tabs available all day. Pull tabs behind the bar during off-booth hours.  
Food & Drinks before gambling, please!*



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