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The logo for the American Legion, featuring a stylized American flag with three horizontal stripes above the words "AMERICAN LEGION" in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

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

## THANK YOU VETERANS FOR YOUR SERVICE AND SACRIFICE.

November is upon us and as we move into the holiday season we encourage you all to check in on our Veterans. The holidays can be difficult and the American Legion is dedicated to the Be The One mission. Please take a moment to check out the available resources and equip yourself with the ability to help those suffering from mental health issues.

<https://www.legion.org/betheone/resources>

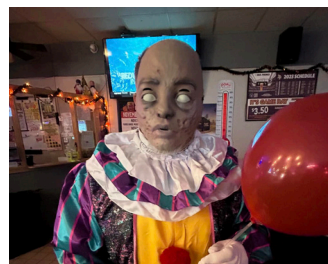
We are serving a free meal for Veterans on Veterans Day this year. Catered by Bradford Roadhouse. You can sign up at the Post or call and have your name added.

**What else is happening this month? There's a lot going on (check the events calendar on the back, but here's a short list...)**

- The Fall Karaoke Contest is underway and the Finals will be November 18th at 3:00 PM
- FRIDAY MEAT RAFFLES ARE BACK and a big hit! Join us at 6:00 PM Friday Nights
- SAL Thanksgiving Eve will be November 22nd starting at 5:00 PM
- Thanksgiving Meal will be served on Thanksgiving from Noon-3:00 PM, please sign up in advance.
- Auxiliary Toy Drop is December 2nd from Noon-3:00 PM
- Army vs. Navy Game is happening on December 9th at 2:00 PM

That's a lot of stuff... and it's going to be a great season. Please reach out if you are interested in volunteering and as always, encourage non-members to join in the fun.

Here are a few pictures of Halloween, in case you missed out!





Fall is for sure here. Hopefully we have a couple more weeks of nice weather before the snow flies. I want to thank everyone who helped with this year's trunk or treat. It was a little cold this year but it's always fun to see the kids dressed up in their great costumes.

We will be having our veteran's dinner on November 11th from 2p-6p. If you can, please sign up at the post so we can get a good count. We are having the meal catered by the Bradford Roadhouse this year. I would like to thank Mitch and Carrie for their generosity to the whole legion family over the past years. Before it gets too cold, we are going to retire flags on Saturday November 18th at 1pm. With the holidays coming, I know these next few months get busy but keep an eye out for the fun events we will have at the post in December.

I hope you have a great Veteran's Day, a wonderful Thanksgiving, and good luck on a successful deer hunt. Be safe out there and God Bless.

Paul McCormick, Commander, plmccormick@outlook.com

**A very warm and heart-felt THANK YOU to all of the donators and volunteers making The Gold Star Families Memorial Possible.**



Greetings Legion family!! As our weather gets colder our riding season comes to an end. Time for us to kick back? NOOOO! Time for us to start having some events to raise money to support our Veterans. Our next event is a Designer Purse Bingo on November 4th at the Zimmerman/Lavonia Fire Hall and Event Center. We've added even more prizes and ideas to make it a super-fantastic time. Pre-registration is available until November 2nd and we'll still have room available for walk-ins on the day of the event. Help spread the word and come join us for an afternoon of fun.

Our next event will be a 2nd Amendment Bingo on January 27th at the same location. This one will also be bigger and better! Follow our Facebook page or look for flyers at the Post. And feel free to ask any of our Legion Riders. We will also be having a 2nd Amendment Bingo in March, with the date TBD. Stay posted. We were able to "steal" the Minnesota Legion Riders traveling trophy from Anoka and display it in our post. Unfortunately they returned the favor the following week. Kudos to them for riding up on a frigid day to pull it off. The game is done now until April, but look out for us in the Spring.

In between events we look forward to supporting our other Legion family groups and partaking in events at the Post. As always, THANK YOU to our post members for all the support we receive. God Bless you all and God Bless America.



Hello and greetings from the SAL. I hope everyone is well and excited for the Holidays. The SAL is getting ready for our Thanksgiving Eve meat raffle. Looks like we are going to have **12 rounds of meat** to be raffled off. Did someone say at least 3 of those will be \$50 meat packages!!! Along with this the SAL will be having *Tip Boards, E-Races, and of course our gun raffles*. Looks like we will get this program running around 5:00 pm, so get there early and save yourself a seat.

Crown Blanket....anyone heard of this?? Well it will be making an appearance at the Thanksgiving Eve meat raffle event. Come and find out what all the hype is!!

Also, next on the list for the SAL will be the New Years Day bean bag tournament....details for this will be in next months newsletter. Yes, there will be tip boards and more.....

Until next time...be safe and have a GREAT time!! Paul Quinn SAL Commander





Greetings to All!

It's hard to believe that the Holidays are approaching. As I reflect on this time of the year, it reminds me of how grateful it is to spend time with family and friends. Feeling very blessed!

The Auxiliary recently donated items to residents at **St Cloud VA**. (See pictures below) THANK YOU again Sandy Slocum for taking time out of your busy schedule to shop for needed items for our Veterans.

**Trunk or Treat** was amazing again this year! A little chilly but enjoyed seeing all of the children and adults dressed up in costumes. Thanks to everyone who participated and supported this event.

Just a reminder, The Auxiliary will be serving a **Thanksgiving Day** meal again this year. The meal is free, however, we are asking for a donation to our Toy Drive scheduled for 12/2 or a non-perishable food item for the local food shelf. More details will be coming out soon.

Come support our **Annual Toy Drop** on **12/2 from 12:00 - 3:00 PM** at the Zimmerman Legion. Bring the kids to see Santa. Drop off a new unwrapped gift. Cash donations are welcome. All of the items collected will go to local families in Zimmerman who are in need during the Holiday season.

**The next Auxiliary meeting is Saturday, November 4th @11:00 AM. Come join us!**

God Bless and Take Care!

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



**MONDAY NIGHT BINGO**  
**6:00 PM**



New Time, New Program!

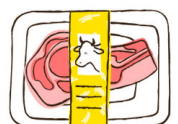
**Thanksgiving Dinner**



**Sign Up at the Post!**  
**Noon-3PM**

**MEAT RAFFLE**

**EVERY FRIDAY**  
**6:00 PM**



## POST 560 OFFICERS

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## Meetings & Events

### November 2023

04 - Auxiliary Meeting 11:00 am  
08 - General Membership Meeting 6:30 pm  
14 - Legion Rider Meeting 7:00 pm  
15 - Executive Board Meeting 6:00 pm  
18 - Karaoke Contest Finals 3:00 pm  
21 - SAL Meeting 6:30 pm  
22 - SAL MEAT RAFFLE 5:00 pm  
23 - Thanksgiving Dinner! Closing at 7



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02 - Auxiliary Meeting 11:00 am  
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09 - Army vs. Navy Game 2:00 pm  
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13 - General Membership Meeting 6:30 pm  
17 - Closing at 5:00 pm  
19 - SAL Meeting 6:30 pm  
24 - Closing at 6:00 pm  
27 - Executive Board Meeting 6:00 pm  
30 - SainTrio 8:00 pm  
31 - New Years Eve Vikings Bash 7:20pm  
01 - New Years Day Bean Bag Tourney

### 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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