LEGIONNAIRE 560

Home Port of The U.S.S. Liberty

JULY 2026

Happy 250th Birthday to the USA!



Our new Officers were installed in June 10! Congratulations to those incoming and THANK YOU to those who served over the past year. Your dedication to the mission and our post is greatly appreciated.

The future of our post depends on members who are willing to get involved. A **special THANK YOU to Bob Lundgren** for his years devoted to membership. As many of our longtime leaders begin to step back, we're looking for the next generation of members to step forward. We are seeking a volunteer to continue his efforts with membership.

If you'd like to learn more about how you can make a difference, please talk with one of our post leaders. We'd be happy to answer your questions and help you get started.

AUGUST IS A BIG MONTH! 2 OF OUR BIGGEST EVENTS OF THE YEAR!

August 8: Auxiliary Golf Tournament at Princeton Golf Club - There's still a few more spots left to fill! If you would like to be a sponsor, Heidi at 763-234-6271 or Kathleen at 720-278-6388.

August 29: 11th Annual Rib Fest Cook-Off! If you would like to sponsor OR volunteer to help, contact Jen Cole at 763-242-4358. Rib Tickets will go on sale at 2:00 PM, Public Tasting at 2:30 PM and Awards to follow. Ribs are 5 for $10.

Play in the **Horseshoe Tournament!** Registration is at 10:00 AM. It's $10 Per Person. Burgers, Brats & Dogs available on the patio as well as bar.

There will also be a DJ from Noon - 4:00 PM, and Live Music at 4:00 PM on the patio! Come out for a fun time!

Please note we are closed July 1 - 5 for building cleaning & maintenance.



Greetings Everyone - I hope your summer is going well!
Please join me in thanking Gary Regel and Del Whittlef for their many years of service on the executive board.

We had our Flag Retirement on Sunday, June 14. I would like to thank Tom Wilkinson, Walter Eads, Frank Grittner, Savannah Harvill, Wendy Grittner, Steve Wenz, Gary Regel, Siera Harvill, Angie Bell, Midgie Lenz, & Ray Bell.

We retired:

832 American Flags	3 Army Flags
9 POW Flags	7 Marine Flags

On a somber note, we lost George Weber. Sergio Sajion, Commander at Post 560



Hello and Greeting from the SAL.
We are on a push for membership renewals and new members. Please see Lance for all the details.

We have some very nice guns placed in the shadow box by the end of the bar by the bathrooms. Take a look and grab a raffle ticket or two.

The SAL helped the Riders on their Veterans Ride with some Road Guards and few other items. Thanks to those that helped with this event.

The Auxilary Golf tournament it is coming, the SAL decided to have two SAL teams play in the event this year. Thank you to the golfers making up both teams. **Our next meeting will be on July 21st**. Hope to see everyone there! Take care and I will see you soon, Paul Quinn SAL Commander



Greetings Legion Family! Your Riders had a busy month of riding and raising money to support our Veterans. We held our Annual Veterans Ride on June 7th. It was our 10th anniversary of the ride, and all I can say is **"WOW!". We had 138 bikes registered, and 188 people registered**. We were able to make a donation to the 6th District Commander's project and Commander Frank Grittner, who was able to say a few words, and as always bragged up our Post and Riders. We also made 3 donations to the state's Veteran's Homes: Luverne, Silver Bay, and Fergus Falls. We were also the recipients of a few very generous donations. Congratulations to all the raffle winners!

We would like to express our gratitude to Auxiliary for the awesome breakfast sandwiches and to SAL for their assistance with traffic control, cooking and preparing, and as always Heidi and her bar staff for providing great service to the attendees. The Rider's also made a $4,000 donation to Project New Hope on June 20th at the Lil Evil Bike Show. Project New Hope does amazing things for our veterans. Lastly our condolences to the family of Fred Miller (Legion Rider) who we lost recently.

God bless you all, and God bless America! - Loren



Greetings All! Hope everyone is having a great start to your summer!

The Auxiliary did a great job serving breakfast sandwiches for the Veterans Ride on June 7. Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped make this happen - Patty Lundgren, Donna Schermann, Sandee Palluck, Roxanne O'Brien and Debbie Lore, Diana Kolstad. We raised **$766.00**.

Special **shout out to Angela Moran - Membership Chair** and to our Unit for reaching 100% of our membership goal on May 20th. We were awarded a certificate at the General Membership Meeting on June 10th. Terrific job!

Thank you to **Tammy Sende** for leading our **Poppy Committee** this year and to all of the volunteers for helping with this. We raised a total of $1,486.00. Thank you to the community for all of your support.

The **Auxiliary 19th Annual Golf Tournament will be held on August 8** at Princeton Golf Course. The planning is in full swing pulling together sponsors, prizes and auction items. We are still looking for sponsors so contact Heidi Culbertson or Kathleen Welo if you're interested in getting your name out there on the course! Team registrations have started. Don't wait until the last minute to sign up. This event fills up fast. You can go to the Zimmerman American Legion Facebook page and register. The Auxiliary also has raffle tickets available $10.00 each. Prizes consist of: 1st - $1,000, 2nd & 3rd - $500, 4th & 5th $250, 6th & 7th - $100. See any Auxiliary member or they're available at the pull tab booth.

We do not have a meeting in July so hope to see everyone at the Tuesday, August 4th meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Legion Basement: Patriot Hall

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Post 560 Officers

Commander, Sergio Sajion
1st Vice, Paul McCormick
2nd Vice, Tom Wilkinson
Adjutant, Laura Lenz
Sergeant at Arms, Angie Bell
Chaplain, Frank Grittner
FInance Officer, Gary Lore
Member at Large, Ken Wood &
Chad Culbertson
Historian, Jim Wagner
Service Officer, Bob Lundgren
Gambling Manager, Laura Lenz
Auxiliary President Pam Biegler
SAL Commander Paul Quinn
Legion Riders Director, Loren Sikkink
Bar Manager, Heidi Larcom

Veterans Crisis Line
DIAL 988 then PRESS 1

MEETINGS & EVENTS

July 2026

NOTE: CLOSED JULY 1 - 5
for Building Maintenance
08 - General Membership Meeting 6:30 pm
18 - Karaoke Night 7:00 pm
21 - S.A.L. Meeting 6:30 pm
22 - Executive Board Meeting 6:00 pm
NO AUXILIARY OR RIDER MEETING THIS MONTH

August 2026

02 - Live Music on the Patio 2:00 pm
04 - Auxiliary Meeting 6:00 pm
08 - Auxiliary Golf Tournament
12 - General Membership Meeting 6:30 pm
18 - S.A.L. Meeting 6:30 pm
26 - Executive Board Meeting 6:00 pm
29 - RIB FEST - ALL DAY!
10am: Horseshoe Tourney
2pm: Rib Tickets On Sale

SUMMER HOURS BAR & BOOTH

Mon-Wed: 11:00 am - 10:00 pm
Thursday: 11:00 am - 11:00 pm
Fri & Sat: 11:00 am - 1:00 am
Sunday: 11:00 am - 8:00 pm



MONDAY NIGHT BINGO!
E-Races at 5pm, Bingo at 6PM
Guaranteed $700 Coverall Every Week!

Booty Chaser E-Tabs & Pull Tabs in the Booth! Open Daily at 11:00 AM!

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