



URBANA AMERICAN LEGION

POST 71 NEWS

VETERANS STILL SERVING AMERICA

OCTOBER 2017



\$10.00 STEAK DINNER

OCTOBER 21, 2017

4-7 P.M.

To goes available

Salad Bar only \$6.00

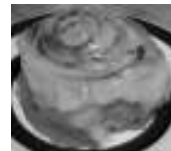


BREAKFAST

**OCTOBER 1,
2017**

8 TO 11 AM

Join us on October 1, 2017 for the first breakfast of the season. We serve fresh fruit, potatoes, biscuits and sausage gravy, bacon, sausage links and patties, baked French toast, eggs, homemade coffeecakes and cinnamon rolls along with milk, coffee or juice. All that for \$10.00 adults, children 12 and under \$5.00.



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107 North Broadway
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Legion Commander:

Bruce Brown

217-841-3246

S.A.L. Commander:

Dan Stebbins

Auxiliary President:

Joann Brown

217-202-7927

OCTOBER GUN RAFFLE



GLOCK G43 SINGLE STACK 9MM

3.39in 17.95 oz

OR

\$300 CASH

TICKETS AVAILABLE

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

DRAWING HELD

OCTOBER 29, 2017

4 P.M.

PACKAGES FOR THE TROOPS

Last week, the National Chaplain put out a plea. There was a group of sailors that felt forgotten because they rarely received packages. No soldier should ever feel forgotten. If you know someone serving overseas, please send us their name and address so we can send them packages and let them know they are not forgotten. I am happy to report those sailors have now received packages, including some from Post 71. Names and addresses can be left at the Post or emailed to jlbrown52@sbcglobal.net.

DEADLINE FOR ADDRESSES

OCTOBER 30, 2017

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE BY THE 15TH OF THE MONTH

jlbrown52@sbcglobal.net

FAX 217-337-6685

MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONS?

If you have questions about your membership, or have paid your dues and haven't received your card, please contact:

Legion-Bob Henderson

217-398-5916

Auxiliary-Sharon Conatser

217-369-6211

SAL-Rob Bross

217-778-3889



Buy your Lottery Tickets at the Post



HAPPY HOUR FRIDAYS

October 13
And
October 27

50¢ TACOS 3 to 6 p.m.



50¢ WINGS

OCTOBER 29, 2017

1-4 P.M.

Featuring Slider of the month Sloppy Joe

Gun Drawing 4 PM



\$2.00 DOMESTIC BEERS

ALL DAY THURSDAY

MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS

As a veteran, you are normally entitled to full military honors, including a flag-folding ceremony.

DoD policy calls for funeral directors, rather than next of kin, to contact the military. Contact the funeral home to request these services.

There is also a brochure "What to do before a veteran dies" available from the Post

COMMANDER HENDERSON HOMECOMING

Our Post 71 Adjutant and our Illinois State Commander Bob Henderson held his Homecoming party at the Champaign-Urbana Elks Lodge 2497 on Saturday, September 9th. There were at least 12 members from Post 71 in attendance. I was a little disappointed in the Post 71 members turnout. To my knowledge, Post 71 has never had an Illinois State Commander. We as Legionnaires need to step up and support Bob in his year as State Commander. If nothing else, you could send a monetary donation to Department to support Bob's Special Project for the year which is the Gifts

to Yanks program. There was a good turnout of around 120 Legion, Auxiliary and SAL members in attendance.

\$2400

The American Legion National Emergency Fund will help paid up Legion, SAL and Auxiliary members up to \$2400 if their home is damaged in a natural disaster, such as a tornado, hurricane or flood. It pays to keep your membership current just for that reason.

AMERICAN LEGION DUES

1 year \$35.00
5 year \$140.00 pay for 4 and get 1 free

AUXILIARY DUES

1 year \$25.00

SAL DUES

1 year \$15.00
5 year \$60.00
Legion
Member \$12.00

Pay you dues now even if your card says 2017. We want to make our Post 100% for State Commander Henderson. Pay by Veterans Day and get a free breakfast.

1st WOMAN NATIONAL COMMANDER

"Are you ready?"
Family First is the theme of this year's National Commander Denise Rohan (WI), the 1st Woman National Commander of the American Legion.

100 YEAR AMERICAN LEGION

Flags for Sale

Great Quality flags

3x5=\$22

4x6=\$29

5x8=\$42

3x5 House Flag Set=\$27

3x5 POWMIA=\$34

3x5 Military=\$32

Auto Flags =\$12

We save you shipping, but you can order them from American Legion Emblem Sales. We also take old flags and dispose of them.

COMMEMORATIVE COIN

The U.S. Senate passed the American Legion Commemorative Coin Act. The U.S.Mint will be printing these coins and all money raised from the sale of them will go to support many of the American Legion's Veteran Support Programs

ber so please send in your dues now, if you haven't already.

Remember that the best breakfast buffet in the cities starts on Sunday, October 1.

For God and Country,
Rob Bross
SAL Adjutant

General fund to Poppy several times, but have now reached the point we don't have it to transfer.

We are working on ideas for fundraisers and hope to have something in the next few months.

District convention will be held September 23, 2017 at Campaign Post 24, starting at 9:00 a.m. Sharon Conatser, Larri Gerhart and Pam Ray will attend

The National Chaplain posted on Facebook about a group of sailors that felt forgotten, because they rarely received packages. Several units around the country, including Unit 71, sent them packages. Something I learned in the process is that Hershey's Company will send free boxes of candy to military stationed overseas. You can go to www.military.com or just search Hershey's free military packages.

Have a great month. Remember, we would love to see you and can always use new ideas.

Joann Brown
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ARE YOU USING YOUR MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS?

LEGION-www.legion.org
Select Members

AUXILIARY-
www.alaforveterans.org
Select Members Only-
Member Benefits

NOVEMBER GUN RAFFLE



**SAVAGE 22165 STEVENS
555 OVER/UNDER
12 GA 28"**
OR
\$300 CASH
TICKETS AVAILABLE
OCTOBER 29, 2017
DRAWING HELD
NOVEMBER 26, 2017
4 P.M.

NEED A NOTARY?

Jessica Swanson and Bruce Brown are Notary Publics. Sometimes it's hard to find one. Just stop by the Post. Call first 217-367-3121 and we can help you out. Just another benefit of belonging to the Post.

SAL NEWS

Hello fellow squadron members,

The SAL voted at the last meeting to donate \$200 to the Gifts to the Yanks That Gave program. This program gives clothing to veterans in the fall and winter months.

We also voted to donate \$300 to the American Legion National Emergency Fund. This fund provides up to \$3,000 to Legion and SAL members who are displaced due to a declared natural disaster. These funds are being distributed for the recent hurricanes and were also used for members affected by the Gifford tornado. It's an added benefit provided by the Legion and SAL for paid up members.

The SAL is at just over 75% for our paid membership. We are only 30 renewals away from being 100%. Second notices will be sent in Octo-

AUXILIARY NEWS

Greetings,

Our regular meeting was held September 13, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

The budget for the 2017-2018 year was presented. Unfortunately, we have had to reduce donations to some programs, because we just don't have the funds. We only get to keep \$4.00 out of the \$25.00 membership dues paid to the unit. The budget was accepted.

Last year, we spent \$2,617.89 out of poppy funds for programs and veterans needs. Membership to Department, National and per capita totaled \$2,466.70. Programs and expenses from the General fund totaled \$3,765.43. The last few years, we have spent more out of Poppy than we take in in donations. We have transferred money from the



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**OCTOBER 2017
 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

10/1/2017 **BREAKFAST
 8 TO 11 A.M.**

10/2/2017 **LEGION MEETING
 6:00 P.M.**

10/9/2017 **SAL MEETING
 7:00 P.M.**

10/11/2017 **AUXILIARY MEETING
 6:30 P.M.**

10/13/2017 **50 CENT TACOS
 3-6 P.M.**

10/21/2017 **\$10.00 STEAK
 DINNER 4-7 P.M.**

10/27/2017 **50 CENT TACOS
 3-6 P.M.**

10/29/2017 **WINGS 1-4 PM
 GUN RAFFLE DRAWING
 4:00PM**



**WE NOW CARRY BUTCH'S PIZZA
 9" AND 12 "**

In a hurry? Just grab a pizza to go.