



THE URBANA AMERICAN LEGION POST 71 NEWS



VETERANS STILL SERVING AMERICA

SEPTEMBER 2020



50¢ WINGS
September 27, 2020
1-4 P. M.

Featuring
Cheeseburger Sliders
Chicken Sliders
Gun Drawing 4 PM

NO
CARRYOUTS



ATTENTION

AUXILIARY MEMBERS

Renew your membership or become a new member for just \$24 instead of \$30.
Offer expires September 30th.
Questions? Call Sharon at 217-369-6211

AMERICAN LEGION POST 71 CASH RAFFLE WINNERS

Scott Schmidt-\$250
Pat Massey-\$250
Connor Schmidt-\$250



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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

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AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE ASSOCIATION SEPTEMBER GUN RAFFLE



KEL-TEC CP33 BLK
.22 LR SEMI AUTO 5.5 33+1
OR \$500.00
Drawing held **SEPTEMBER 27, 2020**
\$10.00 EACH
Need not be present to win
VALID FOID CARD REQUIRED FOR GUN

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE BY THE 15TH OF THE MONTH

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The American Legion Post 71 Cash Raffle

1- \$250 cash prize
\$5.00 per ticket
Drawing held
AUGUST 31, 2020

All proceeds will support
our donations to
Illiana Healthcare System.

Need not be present to win



SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL POSTS

Has anyone noticed all the Posts that have started Go Fund Me pages just to keep their Posts open?

Most Legion, VFW and AM-VETS Posts are struggling due to falling membership and lack of participation in Post activities.

Please support these great places by visiting or possibly sending them a donation, Our Post has received a few donations in the last month. We truly appreciate those donations.

Thanks to those of you who support us by buying our gun raffles and our others means of raising funds.

Our Post alone lost around \$150,000 in revenue while we were locked down! If you don't support local posts they won't be here.

\$500 OR THE GUN

Right now, it is so hard to find a gun to buy, so I have raised the cash prize on our monthly gun raffle to \$500. That way you can get the cash now and buy the gun later if you wish. You can still choose the gun but after there were 1.75 million guns purchased in June, it's hard to get one.

Also, our Monthly gun

raffle tickets were sold out by August 6th. Your best bet is to purchase a season gun raffle ticket. It is only \$100 for 12 months of gun tickets.

Don't forget to patronize our local gun dealers. High Caliber in Urbana supplies all our guns and also has classes. Scott from Wyde Earps Gun Shop in Ashmore Illinois even purchased one of our gun raffle season tickets.

BREAKFAST OR STEAK DINNERS

We don't know yet if we will have our steak dinners or breakfast in the fall. We are closely following the C-U Public Health and City of Urbana to determine when it will be safe.

HEARING LOSS

I was wondering if hearing loss is one of the symptoms going around?

My wife keeps saying "Are you listening to me?", "Did you hear what I said?"

Can some of you husbands let me know if you have the same symptoms?

VA SUPPLIES

Everett Brown and Steve Brown are still buying and taking \$250.00 worth of new clothing items to the Illiana Healthcare Center each month. This is one of our monthly donations from the Post.

We will gladly accept donations of new socks, shoes, shirts, pants and other items that we can take to the VA. Unfortunately, with the pandemic, their donations are down, also.

4 MILLION DOLLAR FENCE

Has anyone been to Illiana Healthcare to see the 4 million dollar fence that is being built? You need to check it out. The good thing is that it is putting people to work. The bad thing is, not sure it is worth that much. Also, they are talking about only taking brand new clothing items as donation. Currently, you can take some good condition items if they have been dry cleaned.

SAL NEWS

Greeting SAL Membership,

Yes it really is September already and the students have returned to our community from literally all over the world. Last year's class was represented by students hailing from more than 110 nations around the globe. We have a great community that has always extended a warm welcome to all.

With all that

being said let's exercise some caution as the pandemic is still present throughout our nation.

Lately though caution has given way to fear which is often used by the press to manipulate its readers.

The real problem we face is that it's an election year once again so there is an abundance of criticism for every move our national leaders take regardless of which party they hail from. We as Americans need to understand that we live in a great nation whose political system works regardless of the fear often inserted by others to influence us.

Be a responsible citizen this fall and exercise your constitutional right to vote. Let us never forget our veterans that have paid for our freedoms through their sacrifices. Not voting is not a protest, it's a surrender.

FOR GOD
AND COUNTRY,
Scott Varvel
SAL COMMANDER

AUXILIARY NEWS

Greeting everyone,

Our August meeting was held August 12, 2020 at 6:30 p.m., with 7 members present. It was so nice to see new faces at the meeting.

ARE YOU USING YOUR MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS?
LEGION-www.legion.org
 Select Members

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

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

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.

The audit and budget review has been moved to the September meeting.

For Community Service, Gena was directed to check with CU at Home to see if our unit could offer them any assistance.

We are hoping to be able to send packages to troops overseas as soon I we are allowed.

We now have 58 paid members. Don't forget, until September 30th, you can join or renew your membership for just \$24.00 instead of \$30.00.

The 4th Division Legion Family Awards Ceremony was held at Cullom Post 1222 on Sunday, August 23rd.

The 19th District Fall convention will be held in Cerro Gordo on Saturday, September 19th.

We should receive Department packets by November 1st, which will contain scholarship and program information.

On a personal note, this continuing pandemic has been extremely difficult for some. Sometimes, just a quick phone call or a thinking of you note can makes a difference in someone's life.

Hope to see you at the next meeting, September 9th at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully
 Joann Brown,
 Vice-President, Unit 71

HIGH CALIBER TRAINING CENTER AND INDOOR RANGE

Thinking about practicing your shooting skills or wanting to take a concealed carry class? I highly recommend High Caliber. The guys at High Caliber professionally clean our Color Guard rifles .

Please purchase you next gun there, take one of their classes or just go shooting for fun. They do have shooting leagues, too.

We purchase all of our guns for our monthly gun raffle from High Caliber.

THE WINNER'S SQUARE
JULY VIDEO GAMERS
SANDY MITCHELL-\$100 WINNER
DARLA DEES-\$50 WINNER
CARTER-\$50 WINNER

JULY GUN RAFFLE
D.JOHNSON


VIDEO GAMERS!

Don't forget to sign up for our monthly drawing when you come in to play.

3 winners every month

1-\$100 and 2-\$50

AMERICAN LEGION SERVICE ASSOCIATION OCTOBER GUN RAFFLE



KIMBER MICRO 9MM
TWO TONE
OR \$500.00

Drawing held OCTOBER 25, 2020
\$10.00 EACH

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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.



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SEPTEMBER 2020 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- SEPTEMBER 7 NO LEGION MEETING
- SEPTEMBER 9 AUXILIARY MEETING 6:30 PM
- SEPTEMBER 14 SAL MEETING
- SEPTEMBER 19 19TH DISTRICT AUXILIARY FALL CONVENTION-CERRO GORDO
- SEPTEMBER 27 50 CENT WINGS 1 TO 4 P.M. GUN DRAWING AT 4 P.M.

WE NOW CARRY BUTCH'S and MARIO'S
 LATENITE PIZZA 12"

In a hurry? Just grab a pizza to go.

