



American Legion

Apple Valley Post 1776 News

"For God and Country"

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February 2012

Commander's Corner

Lowell Huber
Post 1776 Commander

Greetings Legionnaires, and Welcome to all new members.

2012 has arrived and brings with it a renewed opportunity for each of us to produce positive changes in ourselves, our Post and our nation. Many of you have likely made resolutions for the New Year and I wish you strength in achieving them. When I look back at the last six months as the Commander of the Post and what I've experienced, believe me, I can see plenty of room for self improvement. Communication is the key to success and my resolution to you and the Post is to be a better communicator.

2011 was an excellent year for our Post. We had a large increase in membership. Let's continue the growth of the Post by introducing a veteran or a neighbor to our Post. The best way to serve the well being of our fellow vets is to bring them into the Legion family. I want to thank our 1st Vice Commander and Membership Director, John Lenvik, for the great job he has done with membership.

We had our annual Tom & Jerry party on January 8th, and once again it was a great success and a very good turnout of members. I want to thank Dave "Doc" Schilling for once again taking charge of the event, Dick Immerfal for putting the event together and Bernice Spindler for preparing that wonderful and delicious T & J batter.

Our next **Members Day will be Sunday, February 26th** and will be our **21st annual chili-cook off** -- yum!

Please remember our troops in your prayers, the less fortunate and the homeless.

For God and Country,

Lowell Huber - Commander

Service Officer

Rich Davey

The next time you're having a conversation with a Vet that's not a member of the American Legion or a neighbor that asks you "what does the Legion do?" Your reply should be, "It's about serving our community and helping our fellow citizens."

It's about Minnesota Boys State, it's about grade schoolers at Legionville School Safety Patrol Training Camp, it's about Grants to disabled Minnesota Veterans, it's about scholarships to over 1500 high school students in Minnesota and the list goes on. Be proud to be part of the Minnesota American Legion and Post 1776, Apple Valley!

Looking back in history for February, on the 19th in 1945, the Battle of Iwo Jima began, on the 23rd in 1991 Desert Storm ground war began and ended four days later...after 100 hours!

The next General Membership meeting is 21 Feb, Tuesday. It sure would be nice to see more of our members attend. It's YOUR POST and you do have INPUT.

Finally, a bumper sticker seen on a military base: "My kid fought in Iraq so your kid could party in college"!

Have a great month, remember, there are 29 days this month!

Have a great month!

For God and Country,

Rich

SAL Stuff

Rick Williams
Commander

Welcome to 2012. After a very successful 2011, I am confident 2012 will be even more successful. We have specific goals we hope to achieve this year in membership, donations, fund raising and support of our Veterans and Service people.

Our first fund raising event is **Saturday February 11**. It is a **meat raffle/bar bingo** event at the post. I hope to see you all there. All proceeds go to support the Hastings Veterans Home, Dakota County Food Shelf among other great support organizations. Your support and attendance is appreciated! If you are interested in volunteering to help, please do as we can always use it.

As a reminder our monthly meetings are every third Tuesday at the post at 6:00 PM, please attend if you can we appreciate the input.

Thanks for your support and a big thank you to the Board members and volunteers in 2011.

God Bless America!!"

Rick

The reason Politicians try so hard to get re-elected is that they would 'hate' to have to make a living under the laws they've passed.

ROAD LESS TRAVELED

AS WINTER HAS BEEN PRETTY NICE TO MOST OF US, I HOPE EVERYONE IS ENJOYING THE NEW YEAR. WINTER HAS TEMPTED A FEW OF US TO TAKE OUR BIKES OUT AND WHAT A GREAT FEELING, CAN'T BEAT RIDING YOUR BIKE IN MINNESOTA IN JANUARY!

THE 1776 AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS START TO THE NEW YEAR HAS BEEN GREAT. OUR GARAGE SALE, MEAT RAFFLE AND BAR BINGO ON JANUARY 28TH IS A GREAT START.

A.L.R. MEMBER YOUR MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE DUE NOW AND NEED TO BE PAID AS JANUARY 1ST, 2012 STARTS OUR NEW MEMBERSHIP YEAR.

PLEASE COME JOIN US ON **FEBRUARY 18TH, 2012 FOR MEAT RAFFLES AT 11:00 AM AND BAR BINGO AT 4:00 PM**. PLEASE COME SUPPORT US, AS WE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT OUR MILITARY MEN AND WOMEN. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE. SO MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

God Bless!!!!

**Ride safe as I hope to see you soon!!!!
Thanks for all your Support.**

**Riding and Still Serving.....
Mark Ceminsky Commander/Director
1776 American Legion Riders www.1776legionriders.com**

Chaplain's Chat

Rich Davey
Post 1776 Chaplain

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands, protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need, Amen

For those who have recently lost a loved one, my heartfelt condolences for your loss.
For those that may be ill at this time, I wish a speedy recovery.

Recently "Passed" fellow Legionnaires (that I have been informed of) in the last two months are: Richard Regis, Tim Hannen, Howard "Skip" Reinke, Charlie Durmood and Don Jones, son of Auxiliary member Gen Hall. May they Rest in Peace.

Please Pray for Peace, your Family and the Future of our country. Dear Lord, please protect our troops defending our freedoms in foreign lands. Bring them all home soon and safely! May this new year be a prosperous and healthy one for all.

GOD Bless,
Chaplain Rich

Super Bowl Sunday 5 February 5-9pm

\$1.00 - 12OZ DOMESTIC TAP BEER \$2.00 - RAIL DRINKS

1/2 PRICE APPETIZERS (Legion Platter not included)

Half-Time Prizes

Drawing for a Free Drink After Every Score

February 14th --- Valentine's Day

**WHISKEY STEAK SPECIAL
\$14.95**

(Includes Steak, Potato & Salad)

February 21st --- Fat Tuesday

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP NIGHT

Band "Driven" 7-11pm

Costume Contest, Jambalaya & Beer Specials

March 10 -- Caribbean Cruise Conspiracy

Everyone loves a great mystery. Join your friends for Mr. Mystery Productions of "Caribbean Cruise Conspiracy".

As the story unfolds, our guests take part in the play, quizzing characters, interacting with each other, solving clues, trying to put together Whodunit, Whydunit, and Howdunit.

Your ticket price of \$33 includes:

Admission and participation in this unique mystery show

Our famous queen cut prime rib dinner plus a complimentary dessert.

Groups of 6 or more can reserve tables.

*Doors open at 6:30
Dinner and show 7:30*

Club Events

Taxaide	Feb 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	9a-1p
Texas Hold'em	Feb 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	7pm
Lions Club		
Spaghetti Dinner	Feb 2	5-8pm
Super Bowl Party	Feb 5	5-9pm
Conceal & Carry Class	Feb 9	5-9pm
SAL Meat Raffles		
Bar Bingo	Feb11	11a-4p
Auxiliary Omelet Breakfast	Feb12	8a-1p
Lia Sophia Party	Feb 16	7-9p
Band "Inside Straight"	Feb 17	8-12p
AV Riders Meat Raffles		
Bar Bingo	Feb 18	11a-4p
Conceal & Carry Class	Feb 19	9a-1p
General Membership Night		
Band "Driven"	Feb 21	7-11p
Ash Wednesday-Fish Fry	Feb 22	all day
Lent Fish Fry -(Backroom)	Feb 24	5-10p
Members Only Day		
Chili cook-off	Feb 26	10a-2p

Club Activities

John Wortman, Club Manager

Happy Hour

Mon - Fri 3-8p
Sat & Sun 12-6p

Every Monday

Challenge Coin is still worth a free drink 5-7pm

Mon. 7-9p ½ price appetizers and \$1.75 tap beers

Tues. 12n-8p \$1.00 Domestic Tap Beer

Mon. & Tues. Nights:

Show your legion card and get 10% off your dinner

Every Wednesday

7pm: Texas Hold'em

Every Thursday

9am: GOMCCAR

Every Friday

7a-10a: Breakfast

Every Saturday

7a-11a: Breakfast

Every Saturday:

Prime Rib

Queen Cut \$15.95 & King Cut \$17.95

Every Sunday:

7a-1p: Breakfast

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February 2012 Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 29	30	31	1 Taxaide 9a-1p Texas Hold 'em 7pm S) Chick. Dumpling L) Hot Meatloaf Sand. D) Baked Chicken	2 Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner 5-8pm S) Tomato Basil L) Chicken Stir Fry D)Burger/Drummie Basket	3 Breakfast Served 7-10am S) Clam Chowder L) Shrimp Prima Vera D) Beef Tips	4 Breakfast Served 7-11am S) Chefs Choice L) Burger/Drummie Basket D) Prime Rib
5 Breakfast Served 7am-1pm Super Bowl Party 5-9pm	6 S) Chefs Choice L) Prime Rib Sand D) Prime Rib Sand	7 7pm: Gambling Board Meeting S) Split Pea L) Taco Tuesday D) Liver & Onions	8 Taxaide 9a-1p Texas Hold 'em 7pm S) Crm of Mushroom L) Hot Turkey Sand. D) Baked Chicken	9 Conceal & Carry 5-9pm S) Chicken Rice L) Chicken Stir Fry D)Burger/Drummie Basket	10 Breakfast Served 7-10am S) Clam Chowder L) Shrimp Prima Vera D) BBQ Ribs	11 Breakfast Served 7-11am SAL Meat Raffles/ Bar Bingo S) Chefs Choice L) Burger/Drummie Basket D) Prime Rib
12 Auxiliary Omelet Breakfast 8a-1p	13 6:30pm : Post 1776 AV Riders Meeting S) Chefs Choice L) Prime Rib Sand D) Prime Rib Sand	14 5:00pm: E-Board/ Operations Mtg. S) Chicken Rice L) Taco Tuesday D) Liver & Onions Valentines Day	15 Taxaide 9a-1p Texas Hold 'em 7pm Lia Sophia Party 7-9pm S) Chick. Dumpling L) Hot Beef Sand. D) Baked Chicken	16 S) Navy Bean L) Beef Stir Fry D)Burger/Drummie Basket	17 Breakfast Served 7-10am BAND "Inside Straight" 8-12p S) Clam Chowder L) Tuna Casserole D) Beef Tips	18 Breakfast Served 7-11am AV Riders Meat Raffles/ Bar Bingo S) Chefs Choice L) Burger/Drummie Basket D) Prime Rib
19 Breakfast Served 7am-1pm Conceal & Carry 9a-1p	20 S) Chefs Choice L) Prime Rib Sand D) Prime Rib Sand	21 6:00pm: SAL Meeting 7:00pm: Aux 7:00pm: Post General Meeting General Membership Day BAND "Driven" 8-12p S) Crm of Broccoli L) Taco Tuesday D) Liver & Onions	22 Taxaide 9a-1p Texas Hold 'em 7pm Fish Fry (All Day) S) Split Pea L) Hot Meatloaf Sand. D) Baked Chicken Ash Wednesday	23 S) Black Bean L) Chicken Stir Fry D)Burger/Drummie Basket	24 Breakfast Served 7-10am Lent Fish Fry (Backroom) 5-10p S) Clam Chowder L) Crispy Chicken Sand. D) BBQ Ribs	25 Breakfast Served 7-11am S) Chefs Choice L) Burger/Drummie Basket D) Prime Rib
26 Breakfast Served 7am-1pm Members Only Day Chili Cook Off 10a-2p	27 S) Chefs Choice L) Prime Rib Sand D) Prime Rib Sand	28 S) Beer Cheese L) Taco Tuesday D) Liver & Onions	29 Taxaide 9a-1p Texas Hold 'em 7pm S) Chick Dumpling L) Hot Turkey Sand. D) Baked Chicken	March 1	2 Breakfast Served 7-10am	3 Breakfast Served 7-11am

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**** Newsletter Flash #3 ****

This 1776 newsletter currently costs \$1000/month (on average) to prepare & mail. We have explored the option of decreasing this cost & providing the newsletter only on the Post 1776 website.

The March 2012 Newsletter will be on our Website.

The website location is:
(www.POST1776.COM)

(It is currently out there now)

We received 113 written responses with only 59 people indicating US Postal Service (or mailing). We will still be mailing the newsletter to the 59 individuals who responded to our request. For all others, in March go to:

www.POST1776.com

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