

POST 34 NEWS



1029 West Sylvester, Pasco, WA 99301 * 545-1200

Commander's Corner

January has been an interesting evolution to say the least.

There have been several tours made by prospective buyers and a few city building codes have suddenly made the Post home less attractive. Of course, a new owner would have to renovate the facility in order to bring it up to a new occupancy code. So, there are different options which we must consider when entering into a sale agreement.

The first is to sell the property and move to a different location. This is all well and good; however, there have been no acceptable locations to consider. They are either too small, too large, cost prohibitive or they would cost too much to renovate.

The second consideration is to sell the property to a buyer who would then lease or rent the property back to us. This sounds like a good option, but it is fraught with the unknown. At the end of the lease the owner could require the Post to relocate citing to lease with a new customer. Our capital funding would be depleted leaving us with little funds to cope with the situation.

The third and probably not so popular (but fiscally attractive) would be to sell the property and continue as a Post without a Post home. In this case we could pay off all debts and continue to accrue capital funding for a new location that we could either buy or build.

The Eagles club on Sylvester Street has offered to assist us with a meeting place and maybe a place to hold events until we can acquire a new Post home.

Our next two meetings at the Post will be the Executive Board and the General meeting which are the 2nd Thursday and 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm, respectively. I implore you all to attend these meetings and help us make these critical decisions.

February is the month for our Valentine's Day dinner and dance. The Olive Garden has generously donated spaghetti and salad for our dinner, and we'll have garlic bread, too!

Volunteers are needed for this event. Contact me if you are available to help.



Joe Winters
Post Commander

Auxiliary News

Hello Everyone!

We tried something new with having a steak dinner in January. It was so successful. We had many people there to support our Auxiliary. Thank you to all the ladies and men who are always there to help make our dinners a success.

We are going to have to raise our dinner prices by \$1.00 as the price of the steaks greatly increased. We hope this won't be too inconvenient to everyone. Steak dinners will now be \$13.00 per person. Thank you for understanding.

Things have been very busy for the Auxiliary this season.

We will now start working towards our March 17th St. Patrick's Day silent auction. Mark your calendar for this event. Our wonderful Chef Andy and his assistant Garth will be doing our corn beef and cabbage. So, come out and eat and take a look at the silent auction goodies!

I want to thank each and every Auxiliary member who graciously gives of their time and talents for the things they do within our unit. You are all greatly appreciated and thank you for all you do. We have a great team who works together to help our veterans.

Enjoy the New Year!

It is time to get your 2019 membership dues paid so you can get your current card. As usual we are in a competition with the west side to see who gets the most membership paid. So please send your dues!!!

In the spirit of service, not self. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

Have a great February!

Vickie Evans, Auxiliary President

American Legion Riders

Thank you to all who participated in our events and rides in 2018! Our recruitment efforts last year were very successful, adding seven new members. We hope to gain additional members in 2019 and are already off to a great start with three new memberships – Douglas Corn, Janet Mick and Westin Mick -- welcome to the American Legion Riders (ALR), Kenn-Pasco, Chapter 34! 2019 also begins a new year for the ALR Executive Board and its new members, who are looking forward to working for you and making this a great year. Feel free to contact any of your Board members if you have any questions or concerns.

We currently do not have any group rides planned for February, but weather permitting Chuck Cutrell-Road Captain, is hoping to plan a few short rides in March. Watch for announcements in newsletters (www.Post34.org) or on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/riders/pasco.

April Price-Quartermaster has ALR logo items in stock and ready for you to purchase at any of our monthly ALR meetings.

If you haven't paid your dues for 2019 yet, please do so as soon as possible. They can be paid at any meeting, with any bartender at the Post, or can be mailed to 1029 W. Sylvester Street, Pasco WA 99301, attention Frank Akerley-Treasurer.

The Legion is celebrating its 100th year, and special centennial events are in the planning stages. Be sure to watch for announcements!

The Legionnaires' first event is a Superbowl Party/potluck on February 3rd, 2:30pm. They will also be hosting a Valentine's dinner and dance on February 14th at 6:00pm with spaghetti, garlic bread and salad on the menu!

Join us for breakfast on February 10th, 8:00-10:00am hosted by your ALR, followed by our ALR general membership meeting at 11:00am. Volunteers are always needed! Also, on the calendar is Texas Hold'em every Monday night, coordinated by Ed Houghtaling-Sergeant at Arms. Our group's focus this year will be to raise funds for the Patriot's Day Ride in September. David Reitz is already working on flyers!

REMINDER – You cannot take any open beverages in or out of the Legion, not even water, as stipulated by our liquor license. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

Looking forward to fun rides in 2019, making new friendships, and supporting our veterans and their families! We encourage you to support Post 34 by attending events whenever possible. Guests are always welcome!

Jeff Madsen, ALR Director



You can renew your membership on line at www.legion.org/renew.

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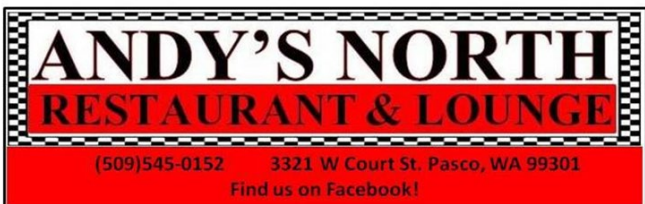


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