

GREENBELT AMERICAN LEGION POST 136

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Commander's Message

Hopefully, the warmer days of spring will inspire you to bring your friends and family to the Post more often to take advantage of our many events, programs and services. Weekly gatherings include our SAL "Queen of Hearts" contest on Monday nights, the Auxiliary "Shot Gun Bingo" on Tuesday nights and our "Corn Hole/Horseshoes" league on Wednesday nights. Many thanks to Auxiliary Unit President Dana Coleman and SAL Squadron Commander Tommy Bryant for their leadership in making weeknights at the Legion so enjoyable.

On a personal note, Audrey and I were overwhelmed by the good wishes and thoughtful expressions of concern that I received during my recent emergency operation at Doctor's Hospital. I am on the road to recovery, thanks in large part to the thoughts and prayers from so many members of the Legion Family.

We will hold our traditional St. Patrick's Day celebration on Saturday, March 17th. Our delicious corned beef sandwiches will be served starting at noon and a full Irish dinner will be available in the restaurant later that day. Of course, we will offer our delicious Easter buffet on Sunday, April 1st from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Hope to see you there! Finally, we will conduct our annual Post Everlasting Ceremony in Hofberg Hall on Sunday, April 29th beginning at 1:00 p.m. This moving ceremony enables us to remember those whom we have lost over the past year.

With generous donations from the Auxiliary and the SAL, we were able to replace 200 folding chairs for events in Hofberg Hall. The new black chairs have "butt-friendly" padding and greatly enhance our ability to rent the hall for formal events. Those old chairs that were still serviceable were donated to the Greenbelt Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. Speaking of generosity, Legionnaire Harold Schlemmer donated \$3,000.00 so that we could renovate our cooking space and add a second fryer in the kitchen. This will allow us to offer more than one fried entrée during dinner. Thanks Harold!

Your continued membership is the lifeblood of our Post. We are very close to maintaining a membership level over 1,000, but we need you to renew to get there. Please take a moment to renew for 2018.

Finally, it is time to consider who will serve as Post Officers for the upcoming 2018-2019 administrative year. I have decided to step down as Commander, after a six-year run. If you are interested in running for an elective office, please contact Elections Committee Chair, Bernie Zempolich at 240 601-3566. Formal nominations will be made at the April 19th General Membership meeting and elections will be held at our May 17th General Membership meeting. Please know that I appreciate the trust and support that you have given me over the last six years. It has been an honor to serve as your Commander.

For God and Country,

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