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April/May 2021 Calendar of Events

APRIL 2021 CHILD AND YOUTH MONTH

Tuesday	6th		US Entry in to WWI (1917)
Monday	12th	6:00-7:15p	Legionnaire Executive Meeting
Monday	12th	7:30-8:30p	General Meeting (all members welcome)
Wednesday	14th	6:00-7:00p	Auxiliary Meeting
Wednesday	21st	5:00-6:00p	Program Committee Meeting
Wednesday	21st	6:00-7:00p	SONS Meeting
Wednesday	21st	7:00-8:00p	Riders Meeting
Wednesday	28th	5:30-6:30p	Fundraising Committee Meeting

MAY 2021

Sat-Sun	9-15th		National Law Enforcement Week
Sunday	9th		Mother's Day
Monday	10th	6:00-7:15p	Legionnaire Executive Meeting
Monday	10th	7:30-8:30p	General Meeting (all members welcome)
Wednesday	12th	6:00-7:00p	Auxiliary Meeting
Saturday	15th		Armed Forces Day/Peace Office Memorial Day
Tuesday	18th	6:30-7:30p	Honor Guard Meeting
Wednesday	19th	5:00-6:00p	Programs Committee Meeting
Wednesday	19th	6:00-7:00p	SONS Meeting
Wednesday	19th	7:00-8:00p	Riders Meeting
Wednesday	26th	5:30-6:30p	Fundraiser Committee Meeting
Friday	28th		National Poppy Day
Monday	31st		Memorial Day

Message from the Commander

Post 2 Family,

We have had a couple productive months in February and March. We have started to see new faces in our general meetings, members are being engaged and we have some great events planned. We have 3 committees formed (Fundraising, Membership and Programs) and working hard in seeing that we, Post2 have continued growth and success. Please be sure to read their sections to get familiar with their progress. I am so excited and proud of their involvement and creative ideas in planning and their accomplishments thus far.

I believe we finally have everything worked out with our city officials and have straightened out the confusion they had concerning it. We should be able to complete the walls and install the new flooring by mid-April. There is also a plan to replace the outer damaged exterior panels as well as give our building a fresh coat of paint.

I am looking forward to seeing you return and for the first time meeting attendees.

The Communication Arts class at Griswold High School is working with the Green Hills AEA west of Treynor to document the site of the former Nike Missile Base that operated in the "50s and "60s. They are seeking information as well as personal anecdotes from veterans who were stationed there or may have visited the base. Any information you could share or contacts you could provide by the end of April would be appreciated. Please see the contact information below:

Sandy Nelson-712 249-5750

Snelson@griswoldschools.org

Only Together Can We Succeed, Commander Sharlene D Anderson

Sons of the American Legion (SAL)

We plan on participating in more activities and being actively involved helping our veterans and community. As we plan projects, Volunteers are needed.

Dues for 2021: Sons \$25 Juniors \$10, please submit your checks as soon as possible. Dues in 2022 will be, Sons \$30-Juniors \$15 due to an increase at the National Level. Hope to see you at the next meeting.

Tim (Spike) Spiker. Commander

American Legion Riders

Riders continue to plan events for the upcoming riding season. We had over 20 Riders at the February meeting. Let's all continue to support our Post and the 4th Street Legion.
Jeff "Cat" Catron. President

TAPS

1/30/2021	Ed Bremmer	Korea	Army
2/12/2021	Alfred Riedmann	Korea	Marines
2/18/2021	Emertio Garcia	Korea	Navy
2/25/2021	Ernest Moore	Gulf War	Army
2/26/2021	Gary Mace	Vietnam	Army
2/26/2021	Donald Carter	Korea	Army
2/26/2021	Dean Nieman	Vietnam	Marines
3/1/2021	John Baker	Korea	Army
3/3/2021	John Gahan	WWII	Navy
3/13/2021	Donald Friedrichsen	WWII	Navy
3/15/2021	Thomas Hart JR	Vietnam	Army
3/16/2021	Lawrence Collinson	Vietnam	Marines
4/6/2021	Richard Cozad	Korea	Army

American Legion Auxiliary

Welcome all new members.
Our Scholarship committee will be picking a 2021 scholarship winner soon. The Theme for the Essay portion is "What Actions do you think will help Reunite America". If you know of, or have a Senior in your family who would like to apply, The applications are available at all High Schools and must be received at the American Legion by April 12th. May is poppy month. Please watch for our members distributing poppies Memorial Day weekend. Your support is always appreciated. Support our Veterans and Military, Wear a Poppy Proudly. Don't forget to pay your dues. Auxiliary is \$30. Juniors are \$10. Please join us on April 14th, at 6:00 PM for the next Auxiliary Meeting.
Stay Healthy and Stay Safe.
Maren Palmer. Auxiliary President

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Bowl for Guitars and Veterans (Fundraising Committee)

Sunday June 6th, 2021

The cost is \$100.00 per team (5 persons), and the deadline to register and pay is May 31st. The forms are available at the 4th Street Legion, 716 S 4th or by contacting Ann Goldapp at (402) 250-7629.

Completed forms and money should be mailed to, or dropped off (in a marked envelope) to the 4th Street Legion. Any questions should be directed to Ann Goldapp at the number above.

American Flags for Sale

Are you in need of a new Flag? Check out the flags for sale at the 4th Street Legion. One of our very own Legionnaires Clayton "Cactus" Schaben is selling American Flags as a fundraiser for the American Legion. The flags are 3' by 5', all stitched nylon, made in America and sell for \$25

Program Committee Update

Here are just a few of the upcoming programs that we, at the American Legion, have been working on. Please keep in mind that volunteers are always needed. If you have time and would like to help, please contact Maren Palmer (402) 681-3820. We are sponsoring a Guitars and Vet program. 6 Veterans will pair with a UNO student and learn to play the guitar. 6 more volunteer Veterans are needed for the next session. Please contact the Commander if you are interested or would like details. The American Legion will be sponsoring a book giveaway to all 3rd graders in CBCSD for Child & Youth Month. The book is "Beep and Bob" written by Jonathan Roth.

We will also be participating in the schools food banks to ensure no kids go hungry.
Please watch for further information on the Blood Drive we will host in late summer early fall.