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Commander's Comments

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and I wish that you all will have a happy and prosperous New Year. With the New Year I ask you to make a few extra New Year's resolutions:

1. Check your membership card to make sure you have renewed;
2. Ask a friend to join The American Legion;
3. Participate in the Post by attending general meetings, 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM;
4. Volunteer for Post activities and events, see the Adjutants; and
5. Last, but not least, keep a prayer in your heart for all the men and women in our armed forces, who are stationed around the world, protecting our freedoms; all our wounded and disabled veterans, and our POWs MIAs. Thank you for letting me be your Commander. Happy New Year.

**Rick Sucee
Commander Post 7**

Auxiliary President's Message

I hope you all had a great Christmas Season. Auxiliary had a busy, rewarding year in 2017. Because of your memberships, generous donations, and volunteering, Auxiliary was able to help many veterans and their families. In addition to our state veteran's homes, local shelters and our service officer, our giving included \$5,000.00 to Growing Veterans, \$2,000.00 to the Auxiliary Emergency Fund to help disaster victims, and \$3,000.00 at Christmas to bring food and presents to veteran families in the area. I would also like to thank other organizations that have helped us with Christmas giving. This includes Elks 194, WECU, and VFW 1585. As of January 1, 2018, if you have not paid your dues, your membership renewal is overdue. Please continue to help us by renewing your membership.

**For God & Country
Carolyn Mendenhall
Unit 7 Auxiliary President**



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Message from The Legion Riders

Happy New Year's, I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and Safe New year's Eve! We are ramping up for the ROMP(Riding On Military Pride) on May 31st - June 3rd. We would like everyone to register that will be attending events on these dates. The cost is \$45, which includes Saturday night dinner. If you do not register and would like to attend each day, it will be \$25 per day and you will not be guaranteed food. We will be having food, raffles and great entertainment, which includes Mudd Bone on Thursday night, Jack Benson on Friday night, and Still Kickin on Saturday night. Come on out on January 7th at 11:30am for the ROMP meeting and see what it's all about, everyone is welcome!

Riders are serving breakfast on the 3rd Sunday of the month. The cost is \$7 and includes biscuits and gravy, eggs, pancakes, sausage and bacon.

**Ride Safe,
Erika Moran**

Adjutant message:

Membership: It is that time of year when post 7 staff will be asking all members to present their membership cards when using and attending the post. The 2017 cards are no longer valid, **you must have a 2018 card.**

Your 2018 dues can be paid in cash, check, or credit card at the office from 10:00-2:00 o'clock daily, in the Lounge, or online anytime with a link from the Bellingham Post 7 web site.

Pull-tabs and Raffle drawings – You must be a member in good standing (a current 2018) membership card or the signed in guest of a current member to participate or win.

Events and Activities: Please let the office (myself or John Erickson) know when you want to have an event at the Post. We are scheduling events all the time and we will reserve the facility on a first come first serve basis. It's the only way we can do it.

**Dave Trott
Adjutant**

Son's of the American Legion Report

I would like to take this time and say Thank you to everyone for a great year. I also hope everyone had a very happy holiday. Thank you to All of you who make our Son's of The American Legion the Best it is. Please come out to the Post and help support all the events at the Post and our Veterans. Right now our membership for Post 7 SAL is at 158, so if you have not renewed your membership please do so. As the SAL Commander I would like to say a Big thank you to all my members and Legion members for support. I hope that everyone had a great 2017 and are looking forward to 2018 because I know I am and hope to see everyone at our next meeting which is January 9th at 6:30pm. Also I would like to say a Big Thank you to all my officers for a great 2017 and for everything you do for the Post and SAL.

**Marty Richey
SAL Commander**



JANUARY 2018

➤ 1 st	Monday	NEW YEAR DAY POST CLOSED	
➤ 2 nd	Tuesday	Activities meeting	5:30PM
➤ 2 nd	Tuesday	Post & AUX. E Board Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 3 rd	Wednesday	Marine Corps League Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 4 th	Thursday	Poker -Texas Hold-Em	5:30pm
➤ 5 th	Friday	Dinner – Taco Night	5-7pm
➤ 6 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9-12:00
➤ 6 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/Food	5-7pm
➤ 6 th	Saturday	Darts	6:00pm
➤ 6 th	Saturday	Karaoke w/Bobby Lee	7:30pm
➤ 7 th	Sunday	Lounge opens at Noon	
➤ 8 th	Monday	Cribbage Tournament	6:00pm
➤ 8 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7:00pm
➤ 9 th	Tuesday	Early Bird – Lounge special	ALL DAY
➤ 9 th	Tuesday	SAL Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 10 th	Wednesday	Legion Riders Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 11 th	Thursday	Poker - Texas Hold-Em	5:30pm
➤ 12 th	Friday	Burger Night	5-7pm
➤ 13 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9-12:00
➤ 13 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/ Food	5-7pm
➤ 13 th	Saturday	Darts	6:00pm
➤ 14 th	Sunday	Lounge Opens at Noon	
➤ 15 th	Monday	Cribbage Tournament	6:30pm
➤ 15 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7pm
➤ 16 th	Tuesday	Fleet reserve Meeting	11:00am
➤ 16 th	Tuesday	Post & Aux. General Meetings	6:30pm
➤ 18 st	Thursday	Poker - Texas Hold-Em	5:30pm
➤ 19 th	Friday	Dance – w/Good Vibrations	7:00pm
➤ 20 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9-12:00
➤ 20 th	Saturday	Junior Auxiliary Mtg	4:30 -
➤ 20 rd	Saturday	Joker Poker – w/food	5-7pm
➤ 20 rd	Saturday	Darts	6pm
➤ 20 rd	Saturday	Karaoke w. John Ho	7:30pm
➤ 21 st	Sunday	Breakfast at the Post	9:00am
➤ 21 st	Sunday	The Lounge Opens at 9:00am	9:00am
➤ 22 nd	Monday	Cribbage Tournament	6:00pm
➤ 25 th	Thursday	Poker - Texas Hold-Em	5:30pm
➤ 26 th	Friday	Lounge opens at Noon	
➤ 27 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9-12:00
➤ 27 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/food	5-7pm
➤ 27 th	Saturday	Darts	6pm
➤ 28 th	Sunday	Lounge Opens at Noon	12:00pm
➤ 29 th	Monday	Cribbage Tournament	6:00pm
➤ 29 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7:00pm

FEBURARY 2018

➤ 1 st	Thursday	Poker-Texas Hold-Em	5:30pm
➤ 2 nd	Friday	Dinner – SAL Taco Night	5:00pm
➤ 3 rd	Saturday	Legion Riders Craft Bazaar & Bake Sale	9-3am
➤ 3 rd	Saturday	Joker Poker w/food	5-7pm
➤ 3 rd	Saturday	Karaoke w/Bobby Lee	7:30pm
➤ 4 th	Sunday	Football – Lounge open at Noon	TBD
➤ 5 th	Monday	Cribbage Tournament	6:00pm
➤ 5 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7:00pm
➤ 6 th	Tuesday	Activities Committee Meeting	5:30pm
➤ 6 th	Tuesday	Post & AUX. E-board Meetings	6:30pm
➤ 7 th	Wednesday	Marine Corp League Mtg	6:30pm
➤ 8 th	Thursday	Poker – Texas Hold-Em	5:30pm
➤ 9 th	Friday	Dinner – AUX. Burger night	5:00pm
➤ 10 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9-12:00
➤ 10 th	Saturday	Darts	6:00pm
➤ 11 th	Sunday	Lounge opens at 2:00 O'clock	2:00pm
➤ 12 th	Monday	Cribbage Tournament	5:30pm
➤ 12 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7:00pm
➤ 13 th	Tuesday	Early Bird – Lounge special	ALL DAY
➤ 13 th	Tuesday	SAL Meeting	6:30pm
➤ 14 th	Wednesday	Legion Rider Mtg	6:30pm
➤ 15 th	Thursday	Poker Texas Hold-Em	5:30pm
➤ 16 th	Friday	Dance w/Good Vibrations	7:00pm
➤ 17 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9:00am
➤ 17 th	Saturday	Junior Auxiliary Mtg	4:30 pm
➤ 17 th	Saturday	Joker Poker w/Food	5-7:00pm
➤ 17 th	Saturday	Karaoke w/ John Ho	7:00pm
➤ 18 th	Sunday	Rider Breakfast	9:00am
➤ 18 th	Sunday	Lounge opens at 9:00am	9:00am
➤ 19 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:30pm
➤ 19 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7:00pm
➤ 20 th	Tuesday	Fleet Reserve Mtg.	11:00am
➤ 20 th	Tuesday	Post & Aux General Meetings	6:30pm
➤ 22 nd	Thursday	Poker – Texas Hold'em	5:30pm
➤ 24 th	Saturday	BHS Alumni Band	9-12:00
➤ 24 th	Saturday	Joker Poker with food	5-7:00pm
➤ 25 th	Sunday	Lounge Opens at 2:00 PM	
➤ 26 th	Monday	Dance Lessons	7:00pm
➤ 26 th	Monday	Crib Tournament	6:00pm

2017-2018 Post Officers

Commander: Rick Sucee
1st Vice: Al Jensen
2nd Vice: Eric Ogren
Sgt. At Arms: George Shufelt
Service Officer: Vacant
Finance Officer: Dave Trott
Chaplain: Ben Barker
Historian: Dan Burns
1st Color Bearer: Steve Hanson
2nd Color Bearer: Lyle Leavitt
Adjutant: Dave Trott
Deputy Adjutant: John Erickson
Trustees: Larry Sperry
Ron Clapp
Steve Hanson

2017-2018 Auxiliary Officers

President: Carolyn Mendenhall
1st Vice: Paula Rameau
2nd Vice: Jeannie Gates
Secretary: Shelly Lagerwey
Treasurer: Jeri Wentland
Chaplain: Karen Grimes
Historian: Chelsea Richey
Sgt. At Arms: Peggy Erickson
Trustees: Hope Hanson
Carolyn Clap
Sylvia Jensen
Membership: Shelly Lagerwey
Poppy Chair: Jeannie Gates

2017-2018 SAL Officers

Commander: Marty Richey
1st Vice: John Lowmon
2nd Vice: Eric Ogren
Chaplain: Lee Gustafson
Sgt. At Arms: Robert Boyles
Finance Officer: Bobby Hoffer
Historian: Dan Burns
Adjutant: Steve Hanson
Membership: Marty Richey
Advisors: Steve Hanson
Perry Mendenhall
Dave Noble

2017-2018 Legion Rider Officers

Director: Erika Moran
Ass. Director: Roy Wilson
Secretary: Shelly Lagerwey
Treasurer: Jeff VanderPol
Chaplain: Chris Moran
Sgt. At Arms: Robert Boyles
Historian: Kim Cramer
Road Captain: George Shufelt
Webmaster: Lisa Boyles
Quartermaster: Robert Boyles
Membership: Marty Richey



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CAPS & HATS



WE ARE YOUR
SOURCE FOR
AMERICAN FLAGS

"CLUB 7 NEWS" LOUNGE HOURS:

Mon-Sunday 12pm-close
Sunday - 12pm-Close during
football season

If less than 5 people Drinking
the lounge will Close at 8pm.

POPCORN, POOL &
COFFEE DONATIONS ARE
WELCOME!

Club 7 Happy Hours 3:00-
6:00 PM Monday - Thursday

Except
EARLY BIRD DAY
2nd Tuesday of the month
1st drink "TWO BITS"