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AMERICAN LEGION NEWSLETTER



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Happy December Post 979 Family!

As we enter December, I want to thank all our members, volunteers, and supporters for your continued dedication to our Post and our community. This season reminds us of the importance of giving, supporting one another, and honoring the values we stand for. I'm proud to share that our Post is once again supporting Toys for Tots. Your generosity helps ensure that children in our community experience the joy of the holiday season. If you're able, please consider donating a new, unwrapped toy—every contribution truly makes a difference. We are also excited to host our Holiday Vendor Fair on 13 December. This event is a wonderful opportunity to support local vendors, bring the community together, and highlight the programs and services our Post provides. I encourage all members to come out, participate, and help us make it a success. Additionally, as long as we have a crowd, we will continue hosting Bingo on Sundays. Bingo is an important social activity that brings our community together, and we appreciate everyone who joins us each week. To keep it running smoothly, we are in need of more volunteers. Any help you can offer is truly appreciated. We also want to remind everyone that our venue spaces are available for events. Whether it's a birthday, meeting, gathering, or celebration, please consider using our Post facilities—and spread the word to friends and family who may be looking for a space. We are always looking for ways to improve and better serve our veterans and community. If you have positive suggestions or ideas, we are all ears. Your input helps guide the growth and success of our Post. As we close out the year, thank you for everything you do—your service, your time, and your commitment to our shared mission. Wishing you and your families a safe and joyful holiday season.

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We are a month away for the close of books for membership. December 31st anyone who has not paid their dues will be dropped. Please don't let that happen. Our goal for membership is 568 members paid. We now have 438 members paid. That is not good. PLEASE PLAN ON ATTENDING MEETINGS IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY. HEAR IT FIRSTHAND.

For God and Country
Adjutant: Bob Zimbelman

LOUNGE 979 NEWS

Hi Everyone!

Well it's that time of year where the hustle and bustle begins. In-between all your holiday fun be sure to stop in. We have a yummy holiday drink menu. The Tom & Jerry party. A New Year's Eve party with dinner catered by The Barracks, be sure to sign up at the bar for that, music by Billy Washburn. We will have a fried chicken dinner on the 3rd Thursday this month (Dec 18th) and moving forward we plan to keep it on the 3rd Thursday so long as Ron and I's schedule will allow it. Check the calendar for all the other times the kitchen will be open. The schedule is slightly different with the holidays. I look forward to seeing everyone and enjoying the holiday season with you.

Bar Manager Sarah Johnson - Bar Manager, Limestone Post 979

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Women's Auxiliary

Please pay your dues. Lunch for December will be cheesy potato soup and ham and rolls.

Members only kids Christmas party will be in the Dinning Room December 13th from 1-3pm for children and grandchildren ages baby to 10. Please bring a wrapped gift with child's name on it for Santa to hand to the child during the visit.

Zoe will be offering mini photo sessions of the experience during the same time if interested.

Janice Gruber
President, Auxiliary Post 979

Post 979 A. L. Riders

From the riders,

Winter weather is fast approaching and riding will be a distant memory for a few months here in central IL. Don't let that get us down, as we have much to be thankful for, friends, family and a great group of riders who do great things together. We will focus on next year's events and activities, while keeping our fellow veteran's organizations on our radar. Come out and support the Post Raffle drawings on Wed nights, and enjoy some cheap grub, brought to you by our group. Come out to our meeting and see what we have going on, raffles, event planning, etc... Our next meeting will be Thursday, Dec 10th at 6pm. Until we meet again, stay healthy and safe.

Adam "Ace" Smith

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Director, Post 979 ALR

HOURS:
Sundays 11am - 9pm
Mon Tues Wed Thurs 11am-9pm
Fridays 11am - 9pm
Saturday 11am - 9pm
Last Fridays of the month 11am-11pm

Last call is **ALWAYS** 15 minutes prior to closing. Drink chips will not be accepted after closing. Closing time is set for a reason, and it is important to respect the bartender who is just trying to do what is expected of them.

Sundays during FOOTBALL we will stay open for the late game if we have 4 or more guests

Thank you for your understanding!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Free Shuffleboard All Day & Evening Executive Board Meeting 7pm	2 LUNCH 1130-1 ITALIAN BEEF FRIES SAL Meeting 7PM	3 JACKPOT RAFFLE FOOD 5-7PM BY RIDERS	4 A.L. RIDERS MTG 6 PM COWBOYS AT LIONS	5 OPEN JUKEBOX 7-9 KITCHEN 5-7	6 Lunch 1130-1 Fish, Fries, O-Rings
7 BINGO 2 - 4 PM Texans at Chiefs	8 Free Shuffleboard All Day & Evening	9 LUNCH 1130 - 1 SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS SALAD & BREADSTICK MEMBERSHIP MEETING 7PM	10 JACKPOT RAFFLE NO FOOD NOT ENOUGH VOLUNTEERS	11 FALCONS AT BUCCANEERS	12 OPEN JUKEBOX 7-9 KITCHEN CLOSED	13 Lunch 1130-1 POTATO SOUP
14 BINGO 2 - 4 PM Vikings at Cowboys	15 Free Shuffleboard All Day & Evening	16 LUNCH 11:30-1 COUNTRY FRIED STEAK MASHED POTATOS VEGGIES	17 JACKPOT RAFFLE FOOD 5-7PM BY RIDERS	18 FRIED CHICKEN 5 - 7 RAMS AT SEAHAWKS	19 OPEN JUKEBOX 7 - 9	20 LUNCH 11:30-1 PORK CHOP SAND POTATO SALAD COLE SLAW
21 NO BINGO Bengals at Dolphins	22 Free Shuffleboard All Day & Evening	23 NO LUNCH	24 NO RAFFLE TOM & JERRY HOR DOEUVRES CLOSING 4PM	25 CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS	26 BILLY WASHBURN 7-10 KITCHEN 5-7	27 NO LUNCH
28 NO BINGO Bears at 49ers	29 Free Shuffleboard All Day & Evening	30 NO LUNCH	31 NO RAFFLE NYE DINNER PARTY 7-12 BILLY WASHBURN			