American Legion Post 225

American Legion Post
225 Club and Lounge,
Auxiliary Unit 225,
Sons of American Legion,
Forty and Eight.

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Fellowship in the Company of Equals

July Specials:
Sundays and Thursdays
Mondays
Mondays 5:00 - 8:00 pm
Tuesdays 6pm

Wednesdays 5pm - 6pm

Saturdays Noon-gone

Saturdays & Sundays

FREE Pool 9pm-Midnight
Kitchen closed during day
Family Burger Night
Bar Zingo, “fabulous prizes.”
“35 cent Wings”
Meat Raffle, Bar Bingo
Meat Raffle noon - til gone.
Drawings for Free Drinks
Super Bloody’s $4.50 til 5pm

Drink of the Month/Beer of the Month:
Tap Beer of the Month: Mich Golden Light $2
Drink of the Month: Jim Beam

Events:
Every Saturday during the Meat Raffle
Every Tuesday .25 cent wings
Come check out what we have to offer

Meetings:
1st Monday, 6:00 pm House Committee
2nd Monday, 7 pm Executive Board
2nd Tuesday, 6 pm Sons of American Legion
3rd Monday, 7 pm Membership
3rd Monday, 7 pm Auxiliary
3rd Thursday, 7 pm 40 & 8 Cheminot
&Promenade

Kitchen is open 7 days a week.
Make your Legion Post the place to be.
Commander
Hello Everyone,

Whew.... Another 4th of July Celebration for the history books! A BIG — Thank You! to everyone who helped with this year’s event. The number of people and hours it takes to make this celebration successful is immeasurable, and so is our gratitude. It’s amazing what we can accomplish when we work together; it makes me very proud to be a member of Post 225!

Now that summer is in full swing, stop by Schumacher Baseball field and check out our Legion Baseball team... The team participated in the Spooner, WI Tournament, with a 4-0 record; they came home with the Championship Trophy! Our Legion tournament begins July 15th; for more information go to www.ballcharts.com/forestlake.

The Installation of Officers will be Saturday, July 30th. Social hour is at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. and installation at 7 p.m. All members and guests are welcome. Please sign the registration sheet at the bar or email me if you plan on attending: krich12@frontiernet.net.

The Forest Lake Museum is still open; don’t miss your chance to see the Military Memorabilia area of the museum. It features many items on loan from our members and Post 225. The museum will close sometime around July 17th. If you’re interested in volunteering for a few hours, please let me know.

The Combined Legion and VFW Family Picnic is Sunday, August 14th, at the Disabled Vets Camp on Big Marine Lake. The Picnic begins at Noon; members and guests are welcome; please bring a dish to pass. There will be awards for Best Salad, Best Hot Dish and Best Dessert. We will also have games for kids and adults; and don’t forget the children’s Bike drawing for members only. Join us for Food, Fun, Music and Games. Volunteers are needed to help set-up, cook, clean-up and run the games. If interested please contact our 3rd Vice, Ted DeGraw.

Make our Legion the place to be!!

Still Serving,

Krista Richter, Cmdr.

Hello Ladies, Well, this will be my last newsletter; my two year term is up. How quickly time goes by. It has been a great two years with the help of my officers, and not least all of my chairmen, working well with me. Totally awesome, all of you. Thank you so much for all the hard work put out.

On a different note, we gave a donation through the Salvation Army to the Tornado victims in the North metro of Minneapolis. Every little bit certainly helps. May our prayers go out to them as well.

I would like to share this also with you gals: we have, once again, a new member; let’s welcome Kathy Dunaway into our Auxiliary.. It’s a great place to mingle.

This is for the incoming President, Tracey: Congrats to you!.
I wish good health and a great summer to all. God Bless always.

Tina Foster, out going Auxiliary President.

Club Manager
Come join us for the 4th of July celebration!
SAL burger night is now called Family Fun Night.

Bob Martin, Club Manager
Sons of the American Legion

The winners of the SAL 4th of July raffle tickets were as follows: First prize-HOT AIR BALLOON ride for two—Al Broelt. 2nd place prize-ride in the parade fly-over in a Vintage plane—Bill Baber. And 3rd prize—a $100.00 cash prize—Lisa Wright.

THANKS AGAIN from everybody in the SAL for their donations to the 4th of July Celebration.

Rick Daschel, Commander

Chaplain

We provided Funeral honors recently for: Hugo M. Krueger May 26th (age 77); Thomas A. Houle June 3rd (age 56); Robert Blade June 4th (age 68); Al Doberstein June 12th (age 86) and Theodore Mack, Jr. June 27th & 28th (age 83). Area veterans passing on recently were: Ernest L. Wappula May 29th (age 77); Michael A. Riley June 1st (age 65); Ronald L. Henderson June 4th (age 76); Edward J. Irber June 8th (age 67); Joseph C. Kubiszewski June 10th (age 81); Richard A. Schmitz June 16th (age 66); Robert Wariakois June 18th (age 88); Ralph C. Peterson Nov 12th with a June 12th service (age 67) and Robert P. Ericson March 2nd with a June 10th service (age 89).

On June 11th we performed the ceremony this year for US flag disposal (6,554 of them) at the Disabled Veterans Rest Camp on Big Marine Lake. Flags are collected by many organizations from around the area and may be brought to the Legion Post any time during the year.

I hope and pray you had a good and safe Independence Day weekend this year.

Do you know where your soul is going after you pass on?  If not, come and talk to me about it.  If you know of a homebound veteran who should have a visit, let me know.  El Ewert is going through chemo and radiation treatment at the VA, and home on weekends.

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American Legion Online
(These websites are completed or under construction)

- Renew at legion.org/renew
- Mylegion.org has these features: Find-a-friend, Post files & calendar, war-branch-state search files

A hero arises to the occasion...
A warrior is already there.

One mark of a great soldier is that he fights on his own terms or fights not at all.
—The Art of War, Sun Tzu, part IV.

St. Croix Cleaners, Thank you for Cleaning five of our US flags for free and the military discount on our uniforms.

Old and new heroes watching parade, at right
THE FINAL INSPECTION

The Soldier stood and faced God,  
Which must always come to pass.  
He hoped his shoes were shining,  
Just as brightly as his brass.  
'Step forward now, Soldier,  
How shall I deal with you?  
Have you always turned the other cheek?  
To My Church have you been true?'  
The soldier squared his shoulders and said,  
'No, Lord, I guess I have not.  
Because those of us who carry guns,  
Can’t always be a saint  
I’ve had to work most Sundays,  
And at times my talk was tough.  
And sometimes I’ve been violent,  
Because the world is awfully rough.  
But, I never took a penny,  
That wasn’t mine to keep...  
Though I worked a lot of overtime,  
And I never passed a cry for help,  
Though at times I shook with fear.  
And sometimes, God, forgive me,  
I’ve wept unmanly tears.  
I know I don’t deserve a place,  
Among the people here.  
They never wanted me around,  
 Except to calm their fears  
If you’ve a place for me here, Lord,  
It needn’t be so grand.  
I never expected or had too much,  
But if you don’t, I’ll understand.  
There was a silence all around the throne,  
Where the saints had often trod.  
As the Soldier waited quietly,  
For the judgment of his God.  
'Step forward now, you Soldier,  
You’ve borne your burdens well.  
Walk peacefully on Heaven’s streets,  
You’ve done your time in Hell.'