



SERVICE CALL

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY S MIKE LACY UNIT 554

FEBRUARY

Ah...February will be bringing in more cold weather so keep your coats and jackets handy! February is also bringing in a few opportunities to serve our Post, our programs, and our people. We are also bearing down on completing our membership goal and are only a little over 50 members to renew or join before our goal is reached.

Coming up Sunday, 2/4, the Post will be hosting a ceremony honoring the 4 Chaplains. If you're not familiar with the sinking of the Dorchester and the sacrifice of the Four Chaplains, you can google the story. Join us on the 4th at 2 p.m. for our inaugural tribute ceremony. Our Chaplain, Jean Reaves will be participating with the other chaplains.

Sunday, 2/11 will be our Annual Super Bowl Chili Cookoff! Bring your pots of peppered delicacy to the Post Canteen by 2 p.m. to test your skills against other chili chefs. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place trophies awarded and bragging rights to the winner for a whole year! Contest is open to all and no restrictions on ingredients...well, no roadkill!

All Auxiliary members, families and friends are invited to the Post Flag Disposal on Presidents Day, 2/19 at dusk. If you've never seen the proper disposal of unserviceable flags, here is your chance.

A motion was made and passed at the last meeting to do a big Raffle starting when tickets are ready and prizes drawn at the awards ceremony of the BBQ Cookoff in April. 1st prize if a \$500 Air BnB Gift Card, 2nd prize if a \$350 meat package and 3rd prize is \$150 collection of area gift cards. Please help us gather the gift cards from area restaurants/businesses. We can supply a request letter for you to present to the donors.

BBQ COOKOFF IS BACK ON! Please be at the next meeting on 2/8 when we discuss how we will be participating in the fundraising bonanza. We are currently planning on the Sat. a.m. breakfast, lottery hat, cake wheel, and item for auction to add \$\$\$ to pay for our projects and programs. Meeting begins at 6:00 p.m., Bring a friend!

C'mon along!

Sara Lacy, President



Chaplain's Corner ~ Jean Reaves

It is a new year and once again we ask you to lift your heart in prayer. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servants to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge Your will and know that whatever you do, You do for the love of us. Amen.

Please continue to pray for Laurie Youngblood, Summer Pavini, Allen Eckerman, Wiggins family, Heldt family, Phillip Reaves, William Helm, Joyce Lee (Mike Lee's mother), LaVerne Wallach, and Melissa. Please pray for comfort for the Swiatkowski family. We will always pray for all of our troops. If you know of someone in need of the Power of Prayer, please do not hesitate to contact any of our members and we will add them to our prayer list. Thank you all and God Bless.



Membership Milestones ~ Lois Hayman

Hope your new year is starting off to a great start. We'd also like to start this year of 2024 off to a great start in meeting our membership goals for our Unit. We are currently at approximately **72%** paid memberships. **For those of you who have not renewed your membership we'd just like to send out a friendly reminder.** Your dues help us with our goals as a Unit, We'd also love to see all of you attend our next meeting on February 8th at 6:00 p.m. Come visit with us and see what we have in store for the coming months, such as Easter party for the kids, planning for our Spring BBQ Event and our raffle we have coming up.



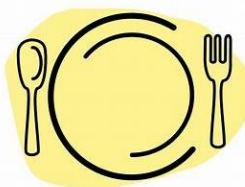
LEAP YEAR

According to an old Irish legend, or possibly history, St Brigid struck a deal with St Patrick to allow women to propose to men – and not just the other way around – every four years. In many European countries, especially in the upper classes of society, tradition dictates that any man who refuses a woman's proposal on February 29 has to give her money or buy her 12 pairs of gloves. The intention is that the woman can wear the gloves to hide the embarrassment of not having an engagement ring.

THIS IS YOUR YEAR LADIES!

HAVE AN 11TH GRADE (JUNIOR) STUDENT?

ASK THEM TO SPEAK TO THEIR COUNSELOR IF THEY ARE INTERESTED IN GOING TO BOYS/GIRLS STATE!!



NO dinner this month as we are promoting our chili cookoff. Our next meal will be scheduled next month and will be carnitas with beans & rice.

RX ~ DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU CAN PRESENT YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD FOR A DISCOUNT ON MEDICINE?