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Bar

Monday-Friday 5pm-?

Saturday 12:00-?

Sunday 12:00-?

Kitchen

Monday & Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday-Friday

Saturday

Sunday

5pm-8pm

5pm-8:30pm

5pm-8:30pm

12:00-9pm

12:00-8pm

Bar Bingo

Tuesday 7pm-9pm

Legion Meeting

3rd Thursday of the month @ 7pm

SAL Meeting

2nd Monday of the month @ 7pm

KITCHEN HOURS WILL EVENTUALLY GO TO 9:00pm AS IT BECOMES LIGHTER

STARTING APRIL 5th, SATURDAY KITCHEN OPENS AT 4:00pm WITH FULL MENU AND SPECIALS

House and Grounds Committee

April 2014 House Committee Newsletter

The House Committee (HC) held its third meeting on March 27th and we are steadily making progress on addressing all types of issues including operations, maintenance and employee concerns within our club. Some of the issues/changes are very noticeable while others are not. We hope to continue to improve and with your help, patience and understanding we will do exactly that. Our house committee is comprised of dedicated volunteers who truly care about the club and your collective concerns.

The suggestion tally list has been updated (located above the suggestion box in entrance hall), so take a moment to review it. All suggestions are considered and the results are posted. Thank you for your interest in making our club a better place.

SPRING CLEANING

A volunteer WORK DAY is scheduled for Saturday, April 5th from 8 am till... We will be concentrating mainly on the picnic/pavilion area but depending on the turnout we'll also look at other outside areas. Please come out and join a great group of folks to help make our facilities better and improve maintenance. We will provide lunch and NA drinks. We can use all skill levels and if you know in advance that you plan on coming give Bill Hose a call or text at 240.291.0835 so we make sure we have enough food, drinks, tools, etc. for the day. We would love to see you so plan on showing up!!!

Bill Hose, Chairperson

A Message From The Club Manager

Hey, it's starting to get warmer. It's about time, no more snow until next December. Like they say, April showers bring flowers which sure beats all those gloomy days of cold and snow that we've been having and all the snow shoveling. Now we mow grass and work in our gardens. Works for me! While all of us are working cleaning up winter's mess, don't forget the Clear Spring Legion is here for your events.

April is a busy month. The first **Steak and Shrimp Feed is April 4th starting at 6:00pm**. Tickets are at the bar, \$17.00 per person. **Easter Dinner is April 20th from 11:30 to 2:00**. The Legion will be closed after 2:00pm. Will still continue to have Sunday brunches, bingo every Tuesday night, Karaoke the 1st Friday and 3rd Saturday from 9-12, and there is always good food. **Mother's Day Dinner is May 11 from 11:30 to 2:00**. The Legion will be closed after 2:00pm. Pick up an event schedule in our hallway and see what's going on for the whole year. Some events may change and we put signs to let you know ahead of time.

A BIG thanks to our great decorators. They do a good job to make our legion look very pleasant when you come in, along with our employees who do a great job also. Good employees, members, and volunteers is what keeps a good club like the Clear Spring Legion alive and open for business.

S.A.L.

A Big thanks to all S.A.L. members that work hard to keep this club here. A thank you to Jack Vance and Jay Mills for snow removal. The Clear Spring Legion is one of the strongest in Washington County and hopefully will continue to be. The Fire Company and S.A.L. is having a **Gun Bonanza June 7th starting at 11:30am at the Pavilion**. Tickets are on sale at \$30.00 per ticket for two people. Legion milk, plenty of good food and a chance to win money or guns all for \$30.00. Can't beat that anywhere. Tickets are on sale now from S.A.L., Fire Company Members or at the Legion bar.

Curt Kayser, Club Manager

The Editor's Box

Everyone knows Deb! Deb Bivens is our waitress at the Legion. She has been with us for seven years and counting. Deb is also our event planner, bingo volunteer, bartender, seasonal decorator and event volunteer. But, did you know she is also a college student studying to be a nurse? Deb enjoys working and volunteering for the Legion. On her off time, she often spends time with friends at the Legion. Deb loves animals too. She has three cats and one dog. Keep up the good work Deb! We appreciate your dedication.



March 20th was the first day of Spring! I rang in spring by attempting and succeeding in balancing an egg on its end during equinox in front of the third grade at Clear Spring Elementary. To my amazement and theirs, it actually worked! The egg stood for about two minutes until the children got too close and bumped the table. The egg stood several more times after that. I'm just glad it worked.

Robin Vance, Editor



A Message From The Post Historian

THE VIETNAM MEMORIAL WALL

A little history most will never know.

There are 58,267 names now listed on the wall, including those added in 2010.

The first know casualty was Richard B. Fitzgibbon. Listed by the U.S. Department of Defense as been killed on June 8, 1956. His name is listed on the Wall with that of his son Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Richard B. Fitzgibbon II, who was killed on Sept. 7, 1965.

There are 3 sets of fathers and sons on the Wall.

39,996 on the Wall were just 22 or younger.

8,283 were just 19 yrs. old.

The largest age group, 33,103 were 18 yrs. old.

12 soldiers on the Wall were 17 yrs. old.

5 soldiers on the Wall were 16 yrs. old.

One soldier, PFC. Dan Bullock was 15 yrs. old.

997 soldiers were killed on their first day in Vietnam.

1,448 soldiers were killed on their last day in Vietnam.

31 sets of brothers are on the Wall.

8 Women are on the Wall. Nursing the wounded.

244 soldiers were awarded the MEDAL OF HONOR during the Vietnam War, 153 of them are on the Wall.

Beallsville, Ohio with a population of 475 lost 6 of her young soldiers.

West Virginia had the highest casualty rate per capita in the nation. There are 711 West Virginians on the Wall.

The most casualty deaths for a single day was January 31, 1968.**245 deaths.

The most casualty deaths for a single month was May 1968.**2,415 casualties.

The Buddies of Midvale - Leroy Tafoya, Jimmy Martinez, Tom Gonzales were all boyhood friends and lived on three consecutive streets in Midvale, Utah on Fifth, Sixth and Seventh avenues. They lived only a few yards apart. They played ball at the adjacent sandlot ball field. And they all went to Vietnam. In a span of 16 dark days in late 1967, all three would be killed. Leroy was killed on Wednesday, Nov. 22, the fourth anniversary of John F. Kennedy's assassination. Jimmy died less than 24 hours later on Thanksgiving Day. Tom was shot dead assaulting the enemy on Dec. 7, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.

The Marines of Morenci - They led some of the scrappiest high school football and basketball teams that the little Arizona copper town of Morenci (pop. 5,058) had ever known and cheered. They enjoyed roaring beer busts. In quieter moments, they rode horses along the Coronado Trail, stalked deer in the Apache National Forest. And in the patriotic camaraderie typical of Morenci's mining families, the nine graduates of Morenci High enlisted as a group in the Marine Corps. Their service began on Independence Day, 1966. Only 3 returned home.

For most Americans who read this they will only see the numbers that the Vietnam War created. To those of us who survived the war, and to the families of those who did not, we see the faces, we feel the pain that these numbers created. We are, until we too pass away, haunted with these numbers, because they were our friends, fathers, husbands, wives, and daughters. There are no noble wars, just noble WARRIORS.

Dick Yeakle-Historian

Upcoming Events, Mark Your Calendar

Tuesdays—Bar BINGO in the lounge—7-9 PM.

Saturdays—Post opens at 12 Noon , Kitchen opens at 4:00 with full menu and specials

Sundays - HAPPY HOUR during Nascar Races

Brunch Every 1st Sunday 11:30am - 2:00pm now until May.

April 4th-Steak and Shrimp Feed Karaoke 9-12

April 5th-Give Away 7-9

April 6th-Brunch 11:30-2:00pm

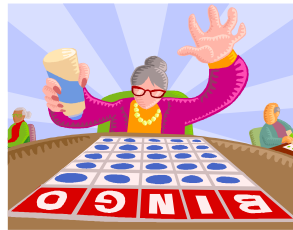
April 20th-Easter Dinner 11:30-2:00pm LEGION CLOSSES AT 2:00pm

ALL FOR DINNER RESERVATIONS 301-842-3741

Give Away

1st Saturday Every Month
April 5th 7-9pm

Join the fun! Tuesday nights 7-9



Karaoke

April Dates

April 4th 9-12

April 26th 8:30 - 11:30pm



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