



The Commo Shack

American Legion Kristofor Stonesifer Post 124

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June 2009 Newsletter

Greetings to all! June will bring both a closure and a beginning! As of June 30 we will end the 2009 American Legion year. With it's passing we will say good-by to the 2009 Executive staff of Kristofor Stonesifer Post 124. Some of the milestones reached during the past year are; the acquisition of the post colors, the establishment of the Honor Guard and the purchase of jackets for same, rendering honors at deceased vets funerals, working with Frenchtown High on the Oratorical contest and the Senior Survey of civic knowledge. We have also had a great year of camaraderie and the chance to interact and improve the Frenchtown community. We have accomplished much and have laid the groundwork for continuing success of the post. The beginning will take place as June turns to July and the new leadership team of Commander Christensen, Vice-Comdr Howlett, Adjutant George and Sgt-at-Arms Schaff guide us into the future. We are still looking for a volunteer to fill the position of Post Chaplain. I know there are many qualified individuals in the post that would make an exemplary chaplain. Please consider stepping forward and accepting this challenge.

I would like to say congratulations to Gerry Christensen! He won the Dinner for two with Commander George at River Edge restaurant in Alberton. Gerry signed up four new members to win the dinner. I think it is only fitting that

he has offered the same contest for the upcoming year. Sign up the most new members and win next year's dinner with Gerry!



Memorial Day Ceremonies at the Rose Garden

Memorial Day had many scheduled activities and Kristofor Stonesifer Post 124 members participated in several of them. The Ceremony at Western Montana Veterans Cemetery, The Parade and Memorial Bridge dedication in Corvallis and the afternoon Ceremony at Rose Memorial Park. Our thanks to all that participated in these events.

Alberton Railroad Days will be coming up the third Saturday in July. Once again there will be a parade in the morning. We will again be joining with Alberton Post 131 to ensure a good turnout of Legionnaires. This is a fun

event and we invite as many Post 124 members who can make it to join us. If you feel that you cannot walk the distance of the parade we are arranging for a vehicle to ride on. Please contact Rod George 626-5819 with any questions that you may have. Remember, after the parade there are booths, food and fun all day long in Alberton. Don't miss it!

Update on the status of the Kristofor Stonesifer American Legion Auxiliary unit.

We currently have ten auxiliary applicants and three Junior Auxiliary applicants. This is sufficient to enable us to apply for our charter. There is still time to apply and be a charter member. However you must have your application in by June 28th. To apply, contact Elida George at 626-5819. She will make sure that you get signed up. Commonly asked questions: **How much will this cost me?**

Ans. You can join as a senior (over 18 years of age) for \$10.50 per year. Your cost for a junior (birth to 18) is \$3.50 per year.

Who can join? Ans. The mother, wife, daughter, sister, granddaughter, great-granddaughter, grandmother, self (if a female vet), of an American Legion Member **OR** a deceased veteran whether he/she was an American Legion member or not. (step relatives are also eligible).

How much of my time will this take up?

Ans. One monthly meeting the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM at Frenchtown Community Church basement.

Why should I do this? Ans. To support your vet, your community and yourself.

Ok. I'm sold but I don't want to be an officer right now. Ans. No problem. We have a slate of volunteers to be President, Secretary and Treasurer to get us started.

OK. I'm sold but I want to be an officer.

Ans. No problem. At our first meeting anyone with interest can run for any specific position and we will discuss what additional offices such as chaplain and vice- president we want to add.

Calendar:

June 9, 2009 – 1900 hrs Post 124 regular meeting at Frenchtown Community Church

June 14, 2009 – Flag Day (TBA)

June 25 thru June 28, 2009 American Legion State Convention in Bozeman, MT

July 4, 2009 – Happy Birthday America!

July 14, 2009 – 1130 hrs Dist 5 mtg. @ Joker,s Wild on N. Reserve, Missoula

July 14, 2009 – 1900 hrs Post 124 mtg. Frenchtown Community Church

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