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Capitol City Post 63
Idaho's Largest VFW
October, 2021

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

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Comments From Our Commander



Hello all,

Another month has passed us by. I have asked Donna to do this newsletter on a quarterly basis for now but there are things that need to be put out so we're going to send out this month what we have. I'm pretty sure Donna wants to see how many things I misspell but there are things that we want to make sure you know. We have lost some members from the Post and the Auxiliary that will be dearly missed around here, so I will let her tell you what we have. As for the schedule, the main things you need to know is, we still have food on Wednesdays, and since I've finally figured out the e-mail deal, if you're getting this you should be getting the weekly menu. We are also coming up on our big fundraiser for the year, sponsored and arranged by Vets That Ride on November 13th. They do a fantastic job every year and we're trying to make sure we have the volunteers we know we need to help the day go well. Let us know if you're available to help, but be patient until things get closer and we know what we really need. I do know we have raffle tickets available at the post so stop by and be the winner. You don't need to be to present to win, but if don't play you can't win. There will be a lot going on that day so stop by the post for details. Please show your support for a group that over the years has been an outstanding supporter of the post.

Testing, new hours for October is 2pm-8pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday. Also, 2pm-4pm will be "Happy Hour" and all Domestic Beer and Well Drinks will be \$2.00.

Things are slowly getting up and going at the post and it can't be done without the support of the membership. I do appreciate all that you do. Take care, be safe, and if you haven't been by lately, stop and say Hi.

Thank You
Joe Mastalski

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If you know of someone who is ill, in the hospital, rehab or has lost a love one, please contact one of our Chaplins above or contact the Post.
208-424-8387

Comments From Our Auxiliary President



Hello fellow Auxiliary members and Post members also. I can barely believe we are in September and the holidays will be upon us before you know it. We handed out Christmas goodie bags at our September meeting. Those that are shoppers can fill with what they would like (please no lotions or perfumes) 3 to 4 items in each bag. Those that don't shop can donate monies to Deanna who will purchase items online. We appreciate the generous donations to our Auxiliary. It was wonderful seeing everyone at the meeting; so many wonderful souls out there loving our Veterans and wanting to do right by them. Please stay safe, Covid is still rearing its ugly head and it seems that everyone knows someone who has gotten it. Until we meet again, be happy and find joy in all you do.

Pat Truden
Post 63 Auxiliary President

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Rest In Peace LeRoy A. Olson



August 3, 1925 - August 28, 2021

LeRoy A. Olson was born in Marmarth, North Dakota on August 3, 1925. Three years later his family moved to Mullen, Idaho. In 1936 his father died and LeRoy went to work before and after school at a drug store. During the summers after his freshman and sophomore years he worked for the Forest Service. In the summer of his junior year he went for the big money. He lied about his work experience and got a job as a steam fitter working for Butler Construction at the Farragut Naval Training Station being built. The Superintendent, being a nice guy, gave LeRoy catalogs and three days to identify steam pipe fittings, controls and tools. He earned the job of expediting parts to the various job sites.

In December, back to school as a senior, LeRoy talked to a Pearl Harbor veteran of the U.S.S. Ward that was home for Christmas. He told LeRoy to get into the war right away as they are sending a destroyer fleet into Tokyo Bay and the war would be over. LeRoy worried and talked a friend into quitting school with him and they went to Spokane, Washington and become 17 year old sailors on March 24, 1943. Back he went to his old work place at Farragut for boot camp. He was awakened one night and told to pack his sea bag and was shipped to Chicago on a troop train. There, at the Naval Training Station in the Armory he began ten months of electronic training that included other stops at the University of Houston and Treasure Island with a second class Radio Technician rating. The Amphibious Training Base at Solomons, MD was LeRoy's first salt water duty. He went aboard Landing Craft Infantry vessels on short shakedown cruise to check out radio equipment and make sure the radio men could operate the gear and make minor maintenance and repairs. While at Solomons, he was assigned to the staff of Group 43 of LCI Flotilla 15 and the traveled to Galveston, Texas in April of 1944 to serve on the Group 43 Flagship, the LCI (L) 966. The 966 hull length was 158' and hull width was 24'. She was flat bottomed with a 6' draft and was the smallest metal ocean going ship in the U.S. Navy. She was designed to load a company of 200 combat infantry from a holding area and transport and land them on a hostile beach for an assault mission. While on board the LCI(L)966, LeRoy participated in five Pacific campaigns with the 7th Fleet Amphibious Force. They included the Western New Guinea Operation landing at Morotai Island, the Leyte Operation landings on Leyte Gulf and Ormoc Bay, The Luzon Operation landing at Mindoro Island, the Manila Bay-Bicol Operations landings at Nusughu and Mariveles-Corregidor, and the Consolidation of the Southern Philippines Operation landings on the Visayan Island Mindanao Island.

The ship was in Leyte Gulf heading for Pearl Harbor to be converted to a gunboat when the war ended. Plans changed and they were sent to Okinawa and suffered a typhoon of great magnitude that sunk or grounded 260 ships. Next, they went to Shanghai, China. There the 966 participated in hauling Chinese occupation troops from south China into Formosa. The soldiers were sickly and the ship crews got sick and they stopped hauling the Chinese. It was too late for LeRoy. He left China in December 1945 and back in the States at the Separation Center they diagnosed him as having tuberculosis. That put him in the Naval Hospital in Bremerton for six months and a medical discharge. The TB cure was the removal of 9 ribs and a shoulder blade and collapsing his lung with a sand bag.

LeRoy recuperated by spending nine years at four universities as a professional student. By then he had a lot of experience with books and went into the book business with the McGraw-Hill Book Company. After ten years with McGraw-Hill he started the Technical Education Press publishing electronic books. The books were a bit too rigorous for the market so they educated a lot of teachers but not enough students. The advent of the digital age killed the analog circuit book market and LeRoy retired the Technical Education Press and moved to Boise in 2002. He was a life member of the VFW and switched his membership to Post 63.



Rest In Peace Dennis Anthony Murphy “Hippie”

March 14, 1951 - September 8, 2021



Hippie passed away at the age of 70 with his family by his side. Dennis was born in Lewiston, ID to parents Woodrow and Agnus Murphy. The family resided in Clarkston, Washington where he attended Holy Family Catholic School and Clarkson public school before moving to Orofino where he graduated from Orofino High School. Upon graduation, Dennis moved to Boise ID, where he attended Boise State University for two years. He then became an employee of the Ada County Highway District where he subsequently retired. In 1972 Dennis married Sandra Moore of Kamiah, ID. Dennis and Sandra had three children, Tony Murphy, Steve Murphy, and Melissa Murphy-Sheldahl. Dennis and Sandra divorced in 1986 after 16 years of marriage. Dennis became a grandpa in 1996 with the birth of Sam. In 1998 he became a grandpa for the second time to Madi and in 2020 he welcomed grandson Tatum. He was a loving and devoted grandpa. He was preceded in death by his parents Woodrow and Agnus. Survivors include his children, grandchildren, and several cousins.

911 What is your emergency?



Cindy Neibaur

After many years in and around the world of emergency dispatching, I suddenly found myself on the other end of a medical 911 call-not asking the questions, but needing to answer them. It occurred to me that providing the answers was more stressful for me than the many, many times I followed the Emergency Medical Dispatch procedures and asked the questions. The reality is that at some point in time, most of us will find ourselves on the end of a medical 911 call that requires us to be prepared to answer a series of questions which may not seem to make sense. Here's hoping the following information helps prepare you for making that call.

When you dial 911 you will be asked to identify the emergency. If the dispatcher says, **"What is your emergency?"** or **"Do you need police, fire, or paramedics?"** your response should be **"Paramedics."** You will be asked **the location of the emergency.** It is critically important to know the address of where you are. Whenever possible this should include the directional (east, west....) the street name, the suffix (street, court, parkway....) and the city. (You would be amazed at how many duplicate and/or similar sounding street names there are within the various cities in Ada County, and many of them have the same address ranges.) You will be asked the **phone number** you are calling from, and that number will be confirmed. This is in case your call is accidentally disconnected.

It is important to get through this next series of questions accurately, but quickly. Do not waste your time or breath, or the dispatcher's focus and energy. In Ada County while you are answering questions, the dispatcher's partner is sending help. Try very hard to stay calm and answer the questions in the order they are given. Do not feel the need to fill any silences; certainly do not work yourself up with negative words or demands to hurry. The dispatcher will then say, **"Tell me exactly what happened?"** This is a very important time for you, as the caller, to stay in the moment and be very concise. Examples might be: "She fell out of a tree; he is having trouble breathing; I can't wake her up; my child fell and cut his head." The dispatcher is not asking for a medical history, she does not want you to diagnose the problem; **she wants to know why at this moment you called 911.** You will then be asked if **you are with the patient now** and for the patient's **approximate age.** Do not spend any time trying to ascertain a birthday or an exact age. If you know the patient is 54 years old, then say that. If you don't make an educated guess. Does he look like he is 50, is he closer to 80, or is it a child who appears to be about 12? You will be asked to confirm if **the patient is male or female.** you will then be asked if the patient is **awake and conscious?** This speaks to level of alertness; an educated guess is fine.

The next question will be **"Is he breathing?"** If the patient is not breathing you will immediately be asked to start CPR. The dispatcher will guide you through this process, in almost every case it will be compressions only, no mouth to mouth breathing, and the dispatcher will help you set the pace and stay with you until help literally pushes you out of the way. You will not be asked any further questions, you will just be encouraged to continue providing life saving compressions.

By now, help is on the way; you might even be able to hear sirens in the far off distance. In almost every medical situation (other than in some doctor's offices or skilled nursing homes) you will get a fire truck and an ambulance. Fire department apparatus carry life saving equipment and their personnel are trained to provide basic life support. Many medical emergencies require more hands than an ambulance crew can provide and generally the fire department will get to any given call quicker. (There are simply more fire trucks than there are ambulances.) The dispatcher will likely have many more questions for you more specific to the event. For example, she will help you control bleeding, walk you through a series of questions to identify a stroke, or provide you with instructions to follow after a person stops seizing. None of this is delaying the paramedics' response, but will be beneficial for the patient. You will be asked to unlock the door, turn on a porch light, gather up medications, put away any family pets. If there are other people with you, set them to work getting these things done. We all ultimately feel better when we make contributions and never more so than in an emergency.

THIS IS IMPORTANT: If you don't know the answer to a question, "I don't know" is a perfectly acceptable answer. This is almost always the case when you are calling 911 on behalf of a stranger, for instance on the greenbelt or in a parking lot. You can't possibly know heart history, allergies, if the patient has epilepsy; do not fret or waste time, simply say "I don't know." Here's hoping you never have to call 911, whether for a medical emergency, to report a fire or for law enforcement assistance. If you do, however, please be assured that the people on the other end of the line are compassionate and passionate, well trained and dedicated to the well being of this community.

“PATRIOTS’ WALK”



“Patriots Walk” in Boise, Idaho’s Veterans Memorial Park, is a walkway constructed of bricks engraved with a Veteran’s name, rank, branch and dates of service. Purchasing a brick in “Patriots Walk” is a timeless way of remembering and honoring your special Veteran. A Veteran is anyone who served in the Armed Forces currently or served in the past. Their names will be in company with Veterans who have served our nation with courage, honor and selflessness to preserve and protect all that we hold dear.

Act today to preserve a Veterans memory in this beautiful setting. It is an opportunity to preserve the past, pave the way for the future and make your loved ones’ mark for generations to come. To let your Veterans or their families know that a brick has been purchased for the Patriots’ Walk, give them a replica brick.

Each brick is \$100.00, replicas are \$35.00. If you are interested in purchasing a brick, contact the Post, or come in and talk to the members.

Please note: each brick line is limited to 20 characters and spaces per line. Text may be edited if it exceeds the limit allowed.

If you are interested in purchasing a brick, contact the Post.

We are open to the public



Hours:

Sat Closed
Sun Closed
Mon Closed
Tues 2pm 8pm
Wed 2pm-8pm
Wed Food Service
4:30PM-6:30PM
Thur 2pm-8pm
Fri 2pm-8pm

**LAST CALL—30 MIN
BEFORE CLOSING**
***Basic hours can
be adjusted or extended
depending on events
that are happening.**

October Happy Hour

2:00pm to 4:00pm

**Domestic Beer &
Well Drinks
\$2.00**

**If you have any questions
regarding this months newsletter,
please feel free to call me.
Donna Larson 208-631-2029**



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13th Annual Vets That Ride Poker Run

13 November 2021

Registration: 10:00 - 12:00

KSU: Shotgun Start

Location: VFW Post 63
8931 Ardene Street
Boise ID 83709

\$20 Each - Free Event Shirt to first 50 Registered

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Dinner
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BRICK ORDER

Capitol City VFW Post 63



To obtain your personalized brick(s) please fill the order form below.

Bricks will be placed in the Patriot's Walk at the Veterans' Memorial Park, 930 Veterans Memorial Pkwy in Boise, Idaho

QTY	Brick Size	Price	QTY	Replica bricks for your home
	4"x8" : three (3) lines of text twenty (20) spaces per line	\$100		\$35 additional
	8"x8" : six lines (6) of text twenty (20) spaces per line	\$200		\$70 additional

Please print clearly using **dark** ink.

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Make checks payable to: ***VFW Post 63 Brick Fund***

If you are a VFW or Auxiliary member include your Post name and membership number.

Member Post _____ Member number _____

Total Cost \$ _____

- My personal check is enclosed
- I wish to pay with the following credit card VISA M/C

Card # _____

EXP Date _____ CSV (three digit code on back of card) _____

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