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Commander's News – Dan Rasmussen

We are hosting the 3rd District Legion Convention on May 14th and 15th. The 15th is a full day of activities in which we can have up to four delegates from our post. If you are willing to be a delegate for the day or help with lunch prep, serving the banquet, or shuttling the Auxiliary members to and from the Cathedral, tell me or Jeannie Michels.

The Legion is offering four \$500 scholarships, two for high school seniors and two for college students from School District #656. Deadline is April 15th. Check it out at: mnlegionpost43.org. We are also seeking Boys State delegates, June 13th– 19th.

The Post has received a grant from Rice County and a forgivable PPP loan from the Small Business Administration through the State Bank of Faribault. With these grants the Post is able to pay a few key part-time employees. The Executive board is being as frugal as possible to help keep the Post going. Please support our Legion Post as you are able.

April is going to be full from Good Friday Fish Fry to the Fifth Friday Fish Fry. There are two breakfasts with first ever Euchre tournaments after the meal. So, consider coming to dine and playing cards in the afternoon.

If you know of any veteran and their family that needs assistance, please have them get in touch with the Legion. there should be no excuse for a veteran family to be desperate.

MEMBERSHIP DUES NEED TO BE PAID –
DON'T FORGET!

Auxiliary President News – Paulette Jameson

The Auxiliary resumed meeting in February. The Salad Luncheon has been postponed until Sept. 11th and tickets will be \$20.

With our hosting the 3rd District Convention, the Poppy distribution dates have been changed to April 15th & 16th. Members have been sent a letter with the details. Please let Winnie Hughes know when you can volunteer.

New for us this year is a **Poppy Poster Contest** for grades 2-12, with entries due April 1st. There is a box in the front entry for the posters. Teachers have received this information: <https://www.legion-aux.org/National-Poppy-Poster-Contest>.

The Post, SAL, and Auxiliary are busy working on plans for the Convention May 14-15, and we will need volunteers to help with food preparation and serving the meals (Friday meal is for 3rd

District Past

Commanders and Presidents, Saturday will be box lunches and Saturday evening banquet). We can have six delegates represent us.

Girls State this year will be a virtual event June 13th-17th.

We need part-time Chefs, Janitors and Bartenders. If interested or know of someone who may be interested, contact the Legion or email post43eventcoordinator@gmail.com.

SAL Commander News – Ron Hammond

The sun is warmer, and we are gaining on spring. We will be hosting the 3rd District Convention this year and it will require lots of help. Now

would be a good time to pitch in. The Sunday breakfasts have started, so come in and let the "guys" do the cooking. Our meetings are on the second Tuesday at 6 p.m. Stay well and thank you!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

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****Any dependent or spouse of a Veteran can apply for a scholarship from Folds of Honor. <https://minnesota.foldsofhonor.org/> ****

Save your Legion some money call 507-334-8784 or email

post43eventcoordinator@gmail.com your current mailing information. Ensuring your contact info is up to date, is one way you can support your Legion; plus, if you have email you can be informed about upcoming meetings, events, and changes. Only local mailings will be done, others should use the Legion website for a copy. Thank you!

April	May
2 – Good Friday, Fish Fry	3 – Membership/Auxiliary Meetings 6:30 pm
4 – Happy Easter	7 – Vigilant Guardian Bike Night/Club Supper
5 – Membership/Auxiliary Meetings 6:30 pm	11 – SAL Mtg 6 pm. DAV Mtg 6:30 pm
8 – Burger Baskets	13 – Burger Baskets
11 – Omelet Breakfast Euchre Tournament	14 & 15 – 3 rd District Convention
13 – SAL Mtg 6 pm DAV Mtg 6:30 pm	
15 & 16 – Poppy Days	

16 – Club Supper
 18 – Frontline 1 pm
 19 – Exec Mtg 6:30 pm
 20 – Aux Exec Mtg 1 pm
 22 – Burger Baskets
 25 – Pancake Breakfast
 Euchre
 Tournament
 30 – Fifth Friday Fish Fry
 Every Tues – Wing Night
 Every Wed – KC
 Bingo
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15 – National Armed Forces Day
 16 – Frontline 1 pm
 17 – Exec Mtg 6:30 pm
 18 – Aux Exec Mtg 1 pm
 21 – Club Supper
 24 – Blood Drive
 27 – Burger Baskets
 31 – Memorial Day
 Every Tues – Wing Night
 Every Wed – KC
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Frontline Honors Ceremony

Every 3rd Sunday of the month at 1:00 p.m. We honor the fallen Service Members that were killed in action the previous 30 days fighting in the wars in Afghanistan, Iraq, and Syria, or training to protect the United States.

We also recognize our nation's colors with a formal dedication.

If you would like a flag flown over Post 43 in honor of a veteran, or a family member on active duty, please contact the Legion.

Their sacrifice - Our honor

Your Post 43 Watchword Newsletter is available on our Website:

<http://www.mnlegionpost43.org>

All specific recommendations for your Legion website, your

Post, or any general questions, please call:

507-334-8784 or send a message to:

faribaultlegion43@gmail.com



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Commander: Ron Hammond
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Adjutant: Jim Douda
Treasurer: Open
Chaplain: Open
Sgt at Arms: Troy Dunn

Auxiliary Officers:
 President: Paulette Jamesson
 1st Vice: Jeannie Michels
 2nd Vice: Open
 Secretary: Karen Rasmussen
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 Sgt at Arms: Jeanette Hammond
 Historian: Karen Rasmussen
 Chaplain: Kathy Larson

Executive Committee Members:
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 Tammy Lemke, Candy Braun, Misty Ekiss

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