

# LEGIONNAIRE 560

Home Port of the U.S.S. Liberty



SEP 2024

## September is here and we're kicking off Meat Raffle on September 20th!

We will also have \$10 Build Your Own Burgers & All You Can Eat Corn from 5-7pm (or while supplies last.)

Just a recap on August 2024... Did you miss out on Rib Fest and Auxiliary Golf Tournament? Seeing the outpouring of support and attendance at these events really shows how much we've grown within our community in the last several years. Our volunteers, staff, and officers did an outstanding job at these events which ran so smoothly. Thank you for all of your hard work and dedication.

The Auxiliary Golf Tournament raised \$21,782 this year! Rib Fest is still being tallied, but we know for sure we raised over \$700 in the Dunk Tank and the bar had over \$9,000 in sales!



### Membership Goals:

As many of you know, our very own Frank Grittner is now the Commander for our 6th District! He has some challenging, yet obtainable goals set for the year. Please take a moment and check this out. We would love to meet this goal and would very much appreciate our current members continuing to talk about our Post and encourage others to join.

### Each Post can earn a reward for:

- 1.) Enroll 1 New Gulf War Era or After Member AND bringing back 2 members that did not renew in '22, '23, or '24.
- 2.) Enroll 4 new members, with at least one being Gulf War Era or After.

Read the full article in the newsletter on the district website: [www.Mn6thDistrict.org](http://www.Mn6thDistrict.org)



Greetings!

Wow, I can't believe Fall is already here! It's unbelievable how fast the summer seems to go. Another fantastic job by the Auxiliary ladies on the golf tournament last month. I'm already looking forward to next year.

I would also like to give a **big shout out to all the staff and volunteers who put on Rib Fest**, it continues to get bigger and better each year! Meat raffle will be starting Friday September 20th with a burger and corn feed, come on up and check it out. The membership dinner is going to be Saturday October 12th, we will be putting up a sign-up sheet at the post soon - but you don't have to wait for the sign-up sheet, you can register at the post anytime.

As always, you can stay in the know of what's taking place at the post by checking out the Facebook page. As we head into the new school year, be sure to keep a lookout for young drivers and more kids walking on the roads.

God Bless. Paul McCormick, Commander  
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Greetings Legion Family!

Your Riders have been enjoying the Summer and getting some miles on. We've had Riders partake in many local benefit rides and represent Post 560 around the state. It's so great to visit with other Posts and Veterans from around the state. Our Post has an awesome reputation! We made donations at many of the events, to include the Minnesota Legion Fund 85. American Legion Fund 85 is the national Legion Riders program to raise money to assist Veterans in need.

In August we, along with the SAL and Auxiliary, were able to purchase and donate bicycles at the Ogilvie Raceway for kids night. All together we donated 28 bikes. We had a couple of Riders there the night of the event, and the joy on the kids' faces was amazing. We received many "thank you" and hand shakes. And we've even been thanked many times since.

We also were able to participate in and assist in the Auxiliary Golf Tournament and the Post Rib Contest. Both were amazing events.

We are trying to get as much riding in as possible and enjoy Summer while it's here. And we are also gearing up for our fundraising events for the Winter. **Our next event will be a Designer Purse Bingo on November 16th at the Zimmerman Station 1 Event Center. Save the date and stay posted for more information.**

Thank you all again for your amazing support. God bless you and God bless America! - Loren



Hello and greetings from the SAL.

Wow!! Where is summer going?!? Labor Day weekend already!! Just remember why we celebrate Labor Day!! We have different guns in the shadow box again!! All of these guns/bows will be raffled off on the Thanksgiving Eve SAL meat raffle. So, buy a few more tickets so we can get some more/different guns in the case.

It sure looks like the Bike Giveaway at Ogilvie Raceway went very well!! It is an honor for our SAL to help with those bikes. We still have the Crown Blanket that still has spots available to raffle off. Maybe to honor a loved one...maybe to put a soldier's name on...maybe to display a business. Looks like the next Crown blanket raffle will be on the Thanksgiving Eve SAL meat raffle. Does anyone else (Auxiliary / Riders / Post) have an event to take advantage of this??

Speaking of the Auxiliary, we voted to donate \$300.00 to their school supplies drive. Good luck Auxiliary on this drive. You do an impressive job!

Until next time.... see you at our **next meeting on Sept 17th at 6:30 pm**. See you next time, Paul Quinn. SAL Commander



Greetings All!

**THANK YOU** to all of those who supported our Annual Golf Tournament this year. It was a beautiful day. **We raised approx \$21,782.00 dollars for this fundraiser.** What a beautiful performance by BayLynn singing The National Anthem. If you haven't seen it, please visit our Facebook page at American Legion Auxiliary Unit 560. Our volunteers did an amazing job! Special Shout out to Heidi Culberston and Patty Lundgren for organizing this event. You ladies ROCK this event every year!

**Golf Tournament Winners:**

- 1st: Wayne Faulkner, Derek Faulkner, Joe Gardas & Steve Shue
- 2nd: Jason Botzek, Logan Botzek, Matt Lundgren & Bob Lundgren
- 3rd: Jamie Slocum, Sandy Slocum, Cody Slocum & Mack Faircloth

- Longest Drive Men's: Cody Slocum
- Longest Putt Women's: Becky Klemz
- Longest Putt Men's: Ryan Widenstrom
- Closest to the Pin Women's: Amy Lord
- Closest to Pin Men's Josh Welo

**Raffle Winners:**

- 1st: \$ 1,000.00 - Donated back to Auxiliary by anonymous winner
- 2nd: Patriotic Quilt - Sergio Sajion
- 3rd: \$400 Von Hanson's Meat - Did not want name mentioned
- 4th: \$200 - Hailey Streeter
- 5th: \$200 - Joe Schermann

The Auxiliary is doing our annual **School Supply Drive through 9/20** this year, so it's not too late to donate. Unused school supplies or cash donations are appreciated! You can drop them off at the Zimmerman Legion. As always, thank you for your support.

The **Auxiliary donated towards the Bike Night at the Ogilvie Raceway** in August along with our other Legion entities. Thank you Legion Riders for taking the time to purchase all these items for the community.

The **Membership Dinner will be held this year on 10/12** more information will be coming out within the next month. Social Hours @ 5:30 PM followed by Dinner 6:30 PM. Sign-up is required to ensure we have enough food.

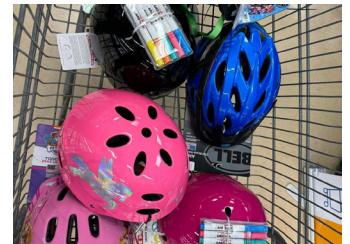
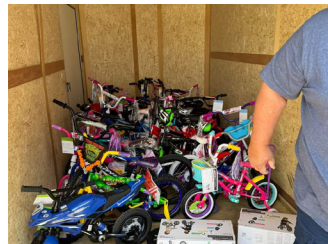
Auxiliary Membership - Renewal notices should be coming out sometime in mid-September. You can pay your dues at the post, online or by mail.

**Next meeting is 10/1 @ 6:00 PM. We'd love to have you join us.**

God Bless,

Donna Schermann – Auxiliary President

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 Legion Riders Director, Loren Sikkink



# Meetings & Events

## September 2024

- 03 - Auxilliary Meeting 6:00 pm
- 10 - Rider Meeting 7:00 pm
- 11 - General Membership Meeting 6:30 pm
- 14 - Michael Sherwood 3-6pm (Patio)
- 17 - SAL Meeting 6:30 pm
- 20 - BYO Burger & Corn Feed 5-7:00 pm  
Meat Raffle is back! 6:00 pm
- 25 - Executive Board Meeting 6:00 pm

## October 2024

- 01 - Auxilliary Meeting 6:00 pm
- 08 - Rider Meeting 7:00 pm
- 09 - General Membership Meeting 6:30 pm
- 15 - SAL Meeting 6:30 pm
- 23 - Executive Board Meeting 6:00 pm
- 26 - Halloween Costume Party 7:00 pm
- 31 - Trunk or Treat 4:00 - 6:00 pm

**MONDAY NIGHT BINGO**  
 Every Week, Guaranteed \$700 Coverall  
 Starts at 6:00 PM

### BAR HOURS

Monday-Thursday 11:00 am - 11:00 pm  
 Friday & Saturday 11:00 am - 1:00 am  
 Sundays 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

### GAMBLING BOOTH HOURS

Monday-Saturday 11:00 am - close  
 Sunday 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

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