

ALL FOR ONE



ONE FOR ALL



Minneapolis Post No. 1



September - October 2008

**Minneapolis American
Legion Post No. 1
Officers**

**Commander:
Craig Maehling**

**1st Vice Commander:
Dick Ward**

**2nd Vice Commander:
Terry Parks**

**Chaplain:
Open**

**Sergeant-At Arms:
Mike Krogan**

**Finance Officer:
Lynne Nottage**

**Membership:
Mike Krogan**

**Minneapolis Unit 1
Auxiliary Officers**

**President:
Karen McNamara**

**1st Vice President:
Sharon Jeffers**

**2nd Vice President:
Chickie Patterson**

**Secretary/Treasurer:
Sharon Jeffers**

**Chaplain:
Ardell Rogers**

**Sergeant-At Arms:
Becky Nelson**

**SAL Commander:
Craig Maehling**

**Chaplain:
Bill Peters**



Commander's Message

Hi Everyone!!

I hope the summer and early fall finds everyone in good health. I would like to thank our Post members for electing and installing myself and my Post officers for the 2009 season and thank you to all the Legion family members and friends for attending the installation.

I would like to thank our Executive Board for their choice of Wabun Park with its \$3 Million re-landscaping, newly remodeled restrooms and pavilions, and new wading pool, with a water fountain, "WOW" what a great choice or park location to have our Post picnic and to end a great year.

To our picnic planning committee, who ordered, delivered and prepared the food from SYSCO, and even made sure we had paper plates, silverware, ice cold beer and pop, and entertainment I say thank you.

To all who attended the picnic and brought something to share, and those who paid their 2009 Membership dues, I say thank you.

To my 2009 elected officers, and my appointed committee members, I say thank you for accepting these positions.

To my Auxiliary President Karen and SAL Commander Corwin and your officers I am looking forward to working with you to have a great 2009 year.

To our membership who has rallied by sending their membership early, I say thank you. And I hope you can make our meetings this year. Please come ½ hour early; as the Legion meeting will start at 7 PM sharp. Executive Board at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully Yours,

Commander Craig

President's Message



Greetings to you all:

I hoped you had a terrific summer! Here we are starting up for the fall already.

First of all, a big "**THANK YOU**" to Past President Chickie for all of her contributions last year. She did a great job!

We've got a great crew of Auxiliary Officers this year to join me in having one of the best years we have ever had!

2008 – 2009 Officers:

- President – Karen McNamara
- 1st Vice – Sharon Jeffers
- 2nd Vice – Chick Patterson
- Chaplain – Ardell Rogers
- Sgt-At-Arms: Becky Nelson

See you at our next omelet breakfast!

President Karen

**Omelet Breakfast
Sunday, September 14
And
Sunday, October 12, 2008
8:30 AM – 12:30 PM**

News & Notes



2008-2009 POST 1 OFFICERS

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1 st Vice	Dick Ward
2 nd Vice	Terry Parks
Adjutant	Joyce Rose
Finance Officer	Lynne Nottage
Sergeant-At-Arms	Mike Krogan
Chaplain	Open



2008-2009 AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President	Karen McNamara
1 st Vice	Sharon Jeffers
2 nd Vice	Chickie Patterson
Sergeant-At-Arms	Becky Nelson
Chaplain	Ardell Rogers



2008-2009 SAL OFFICERS

Commander	Corwin Morton
Finance	Craig Maehling
Chaplain	Bill Peters

2008-2009 POST 1 HOUSING CORPORATION OFFICERS

President	Dave Mauritsen
Vice President	Ward Jeffers
Secretary	Dick Ward
Treasurer	Mike Krogan

Good Luck to the New Officers!

AROUND THE 5TH DISTRICT

1st Sunday of each month
Hospital Visitation VAMC 2PM

2nd Sunday of each month
Omelet Breakfast - 8:30 - 12:30 pm
Minneapolis Post #1
(Eagles) 25th Ave and 25th St

3rd Sunday of each month
(Starting in October)
Omelet Breakfast - 8:00 - 1:00 pm-
Minneapolis Richfield Post 435
65th and Portland Ave So

4th Sunday of each month
Pancake Breakfast - 8:00 - 1:00 pm
Wold Chamberlain #99
5600 34th Ave So

5th Wednesday
Steak Fry - 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Aviation Post 511

Bingo Every Sunday
2:00 - 4:00pm
Wold Chamberlain #99
5600 34th Ave So

POST 1 WEBSITE

Keep an eye on our Post 1 Website at:
www.mplspost1.org

Changes are in the works. The Post, Auxiliary and SAL participate in many events throughout the year. Too many events to effectively cover them in this Newsletter. The web site will be current and allow us an opportunity to bring much more information to you in a timely manner so stay tuned!



GOT AN EMAIL ADDRESS?

We would love to have your email address. Only used for American Legion business - nothing else!
Email it to:
commander@mplspost1.org

POST 1 MEMBERS SERVING 5TH DISTRICT

Lynne Nottage is the Post 1 Finance Officer and she also serves as the Finance Officer for the 5th District.

Dick Ward was elected at the 2008-2009 5th District Convention to serve as the 3rd Vice Commander. Congratulations to them both!

POST 1 RECRUITING A CHAPLAIN

The Post is looking for a chaplain to lead us in prayer at our monthly meetings. Joyce Rose did a fine job as Chaplain last year, however she has accepted the position of Adjutant to Commander Craig and that leaves Post 1 without a Chaplain. The duties are uncomplicated but the impact is great. Please contact Commander Craig Maehling to help us out. The next meeting is Friday, September 12, 2008...Thanks!

MINNESOTA VETERANS

There are 430,000 Veterans in Minnesota. 334,000 served during times of conflict.
89,000 in World War II era
67,000 in Korea era
146,000 in Vietnam era
32,000 in Gulf War era

NOSC FAMILY DAY

Post 1 was invited to represent The American Legion for the annual Navy Operations Service Center's Family Day festivities.

Commander Craig Maehling, Adjutant Joyce Rose and 1st Vice Commander Dick Ward met with many of the 800 family members that enjoyed the day's festivities. They answered questions about the American Legion and what we do for our Community, State and Nation. Several American Flags were raffled and 35 participants requested additional information about the American Legion.

News & Notes

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY AT PIONEERS & SOLDIERS CEMETARY

Post 1 Rifle Squad performed the "Twenty-One Gun Salute" at this year's Memorial Day Ceremony.



The Rifle Squad photo with their new Post 1 Rifle Squad jackets.

Note from a young man Post 1 sponsored for this year's Boys State.

Dear Mr. Ward:

Thank you very much for sponsoring me to attend this year's Boys State. It was a great opportunity for me and I was able to learn a lot about how our government functions and the political process.

I had a great time and would reattend if I could.

Thanks,

Austin Muchow

POST 1 FINANCE

Minneapolis Post #1 Financial Reports will be available at Post 1 Monthly meetings - Thanks.

Lynne Nottage, Finance Officer

POST 1 MEMBERSHIP

WE DID IT AGAIN! We were able to reach 100% of our membership goal for 2008. This is two consecutive years of reaching 100%. Thank you very much for your loyalty to American Legion Post 1. Also, thanks to all of those who worked hard to achieve it.

The 2009 membership year is off to a great start. We have already received 217 renewals which with our PUFL members, put us well over 50% towards our 2009 goal of 433 members. If you have not renewed your 2009 membership yet, please do soon and be an 'Early Bird'!

Hope to see some new faces (along with the old) at our first meeting on Friday, September 12, 2008 at 7:00 pm.

Mike Krogan, Membership Director

MINNESOTA TRANSITIONS CHARTER SCHOOL JROTC WINS DEPARTMENT PARADE AWARD

The JROTC squad from Minnesota Transitions Charter School was recognized by the Department of Minnesota as the best performing Color Guard in this year's Department Parade. They were presented a trophy and \$100 for their accomplishment.



Past 5th District Commander, Wayne Hegland presented the awards at the 5th District meeting held at Post 1.

Chaplain's Corner



TAPS

The following American Legion Post #1 Legionnaires have been called to the Lord in 2008. Let us not forget their service to our country and its people.

Robert R Biglow
Dennis A Moen

Thomas E Marks
John W Peterson

We also remember the father of Post 1 Legionnaire David Werness.

A note from the principal of Pratt Elementary School – Minneapolis

Dear Mr. Ward:

I am sorry I wasn't available to greet you when you dropped off a brand new American Flag for our pole. The color is so bright!

Thank you for bring it so quickly. We will fly it proudly.

Sincerely,

Ellen Murphy, Principal

Post 1 was recognized with a Certificate of Appreciation by the Department of Minnesota in recognition of outstanding service and financial assistance which contributed to the advancement of The American Legion.



Commander Craig Maehling Accepts the award on behalf of Minneapolis Post 1 from Past 5th District Commander Wayne Hegland.

Greetings to all our Post 1 members. Hope all had a great summer. Our summer is almost over. Schools getting ready to open up their doors. Fall is in the air. We have already lost several minutes of daylight. The sun is going down earlier every evening.



We need some refreshing rain

I hope your Labor Day weekend was enjoyable and I hope God blessed all those who were traveling.

*Heavenly father hear us as we pray
Here at our meetings and each and every day
Shelter us from evil
And end all foolish war
Make peace the goal of man
On home and foreign shore.
Amen*

Ardell Rogers, Auxiliary Chaplain

Eagles Aerie/Post #1

PORK & CORN FEED

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2008

Music: Noon to Close

Food: 2:00 - 6:00 pm

\$8.00 Advance

\$9.50 at Door





SAL Squadron Report

Dear Squadron #1 Members:

I am not sure if you need my input because as the “NEW” Squadron Commander we have just sort of started out. I know as your Squadron Commander I have attended the Veterans Hospital three times last month and twice far this month – once to give a personal blessing. Visiting the patients at the VA can be a very rewarding experience.



Each month, the first Sunday of the month The Fifth District meets in the VA auditorium at 2:00 pm to visit several wards in the VA Hospital. One of our goals this year is to increase SAL attendance at these monthly visits.

Our membership is increasing and we would like to keep it going. If you know someone who qualifies for membership in the Sons of the American Legion, ask them to join. If you need help, give me a call or contact the Post.

On a lighter note, I have personally worked 50 – 60 hours per week at The Bishop’s Storehouse as a Welfare Services Worker. I am the Coordinator of Project Lookout which takes another 25 – 30 hours and the rest of my time is involved Veterans and my Squadron.

I would like to get Squadron 1 and Post 1 involved in the Wheelchair Relief Program ... more on this in later issues of the Newsletter.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Post!

Corwin Morton
Commander, Squadron. 1

MINNEAPOLIS POST 1 2008 -2009 COMMITTEES

The American Legion of today is all about programs to support “The Four Pillars”:

- National Defense
- Take Care of our Veterans
- Foster Youth
- Patriotism

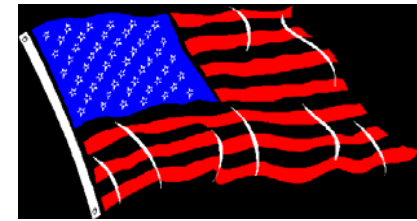
Post committees are where all of this gets started. The Legionnaires listed in the following table are the chairpersons for each committee. We invite each of you who have an interest or would like to request additional information about a committee to contact the Post at 612-721-3023 or email Commander Craig Maehling at Commander@mplspost1.org for more information. Remember our Post 1 motto:

One For All and All for One

COMMITTEE	LEGIONNAIRE	COMMITTEE	LEGIONNAIRE
Americanism	Terry Parks	Legionville	Del Rose
Baseball	Ron Nerem	Legislative	John Nelson
Blood Program	Joyce Rose	National Security & ROTC	Terry Parks
Boy Scouts	John Nelson	Oratorical Contest	Dick Ward
Boys State	Ward Jeffers	Pheasant Dinner	Del Rose
Children & Youth	Ron Nerem	POW/MIA	Craig Maehling
Employment	Del Rose	Public Relations	Dick Ward
Energy & Conservation	Mike Krogan	Rehab Advisor	Milt Schoen
Hospital Visitation	Lynn Kuam	SAL Advisor	Del Rose
Judge Advocate	David Mauritsen	Bulletin	Dick Ward
Law & Order	Terry Parks		



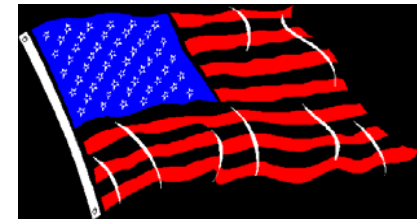
MINNEAPOLIS POST 1 SEPTEMBER 2008



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day	2 5 TH DISTRICT MEETING 7:30 PM Post 1	3	4	5	6
7 VA HOSPITAL VISIT 2:00 PM AUDITORIUM	8	9	10	11 SAL SQUADRON MEETING Patriot Day	12 POST 1 MEETING 7:00 – 8:00 PM	13 PORK & CORN FEED POST 1 2:00 – 6:00 PM
14 OMELET BREAKFAST 8:30 – 12:30PM	15	16	17	18	19 POW/MIA Recognition Day	20
21	22 Fall Begins	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 Rosh Hashanah				



MINNEAPOLIS POST 1 OCTOBER 2008



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5 VA HOSPITAL VISIT 2:00 PM AUDITORIUM	6	7 5 TH DISTRICT MEETING 7:30 PM Wold- Chamberlain	8	9 Yom Kippur	10 POST 1 MEETING 7:00 – 8:00 PM	11
12 OMELET BREAKFAST 8:30 – 12:30 PM	13 Columbus Day Observed	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Fall Conference Mankato	24 Fall Conference Mankato	25 Fall Conference Mankato
26	27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	



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Minneapolis Post #1 Information

For General Information see our website <http://www.mplspost1.org>
To contact Commander Craig Maehling commander@mplspost1.org
Post #1 Phone: 612-721-3023



American Legion Eligibility Dates

Persian Gulf	08/02/90 to Present
Panama	12/20/89 to 01/31/90
Grenada/Lebanon	08/24/82 to 07/31/84
Vietnam	02/28/61 to 05/07/75
Korea	06/25/50 to 01/31/55
World War II	12/07/41 to 12/31/46
World War I	04/06/17 to 11/11/18

Corner Kitchen

is

Open for Business

Lunch 11 am – 2 pm Mon - Fri

*****Daily Lunch Specials*****