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It's time for the Annual Post 1 Picnic.

**Saturday, August 26
10 AM - 3 PM**

**Wabun Park - SHELTER A
4655 46th Ave S
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55417**

**Water, Pop, Chips, Hot dogs & buns will be Provided. Feel Free
to Bring a dish of Your own to Share with everyone else.**

**This is a good time to Pay your dues,
or Even Sign Some NEW Members Up,**

**Minneapolis Post 1 season tickets will be available for purchase
to Minnesota Viking games for the 2017 Season, at US Bank
Stadium.**

**(You do have to be Paid up member
of the American Legion Family to Purchase Tickets)**

Hope to See everyone at the Post Picnic

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**Post Commander
Larry Schoppe**

I hope this newsletter finds you safe, healthy and happy. I hope everyone has been having a fun summer. It's been a busy time for your American Legion. The membership drive for 2018 is already in full swing. This process takes a lot of time and effort, but were getting er done! We have had some new younger veterans join our Legion and we want to welcome each one of them into Post #1, the only American Legion to carry the Red American Legion Flag.

I would like to invite every member of our Legion, SAL and the Auxiliary to join me at the American Legion Picnic on Saturday, August 26th starting at 10:00 AM to 3PM. There will be meat cooked on the grill, beverages sold for a low price, various raffles to include raffling off Viking Tickets, Please bring a dish to share and join us for this fun day of activities. I would like to finish this by saying, Post #1 is a community orientated organization. We are a strong Legion, but we're always looking for new members. Please refer any veterans who are interested in The American Legion to us. We would like to add them as members to Post 1 which has a long and proud tradition.

Please be advised that the First meeting of the new Legion Year will take place on Tuesday, September 12th starting @ 7:00 PM. Many important issues concerning the future of Post 1 will be addressed at this meeting.

Take care and I hope to see you at the picnic.

Larry Schoppe
Commander Post #1

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**Squadron Commander
Jon Lucas**

Hello Squadron 1 and other Legion family members,

I hope you have been enjoying your summer and are ready to join us at the annual Post 1 Picnic on Saturday, August 26th. At the picnic, you can renew your membership for 2018 and possibly purchase some Viking tickets.

Our next Squadron meeting is scheduled for the morning of the picnic @ 9:00 AM in the Legion meeting room. Please stop by if you a chance.

I want to thank the officers you see listed in this newsletter for their dedication and hard work on behalf of the Sons Of The American Legion. We have a good group of people on hand who are willing to do whatever it takes to get the job done.

Lastly, we are proud to announce that Mpls Squadron 1 received a 100% Membership Ribbon from the Detachment Of Minnesota SAL for the 2017 membership year. We ended up with 55 paid members. Sincere thanks go out to all of you have remained as faithful members of the Squadron, as well as the new members who have recently joined. .

Jon Lucas, SAL Commander

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**Unit President
Karen McNamara**

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer and enjoying all the summertime activities that are out there.

It has been a busy summer for me. I attended the 5th District convention in Bloomington, along with Becky Nelson, Cari Lamb, Mary Archambault. We also went to the Department convention as delegates. I would recommend all to attend. It' great going to different cities and exploring the shops, restaurants, and night life. There is always time to do after the meetings.

The 2018 membership cards are here. We will have them out at omelet breakfast and also at the picnic on August 26th. You can pick them up or send them in. Dues are \$25.00. However, since we no longer have the Early Bird dinner, if the dues are paid by September 1st. you may send in \$20.00and save a little money. Hope to see you at omelet breakfast or the picnic. As always we are always looking for new members. If you have any relatives, sisters, aunts nieces, in-laws that are not members sign them up. There are many benefits to being a member. There are applications down at the club for anyone who wants to join.,

Our omelet breakfast is the 2nd Sunday of the month. Come down for the best Sunday breakfast. \$8 Adult, \$4 under 12 and volunteers. We are always looking for volunteers to come down and help. If you are interested just stop in and we will gladly put you to work. . Our August benefit will be for South High Volleyball, September is for U of M girls Hockey, November is the Lions Club, and December is for Unit 1 Auxiliary. We usually have a visitor come in December from the North Pole. More on that later.

Veterans Day will be coming up , along with Thanks giving and Christmas. Seems like summer gets over and we jump right into the holidays. Remember to thank all our Vets on those days and say a prayer for those that are actively serving and won't be here to enjoy the festivities with us. I have been hearing more and more of Veterans remains that are being returned to Minnesota. In the past week or so there have been at least 4. One, after 66 years, was serving Korea, PVT 1st Class Charles Follse who served in Korea, was laid to rest at Fort. Snelling National Cemetery. From Korea alone there are 7700 still unaccounted for. Another returned was Glaydon Iverson , Navy Fireman 3rd Class, who was serving in Pearl Harbor aboard the USS Oklahoma. After 75 years his remains were returned to his home town of Emmons, Minnesota. Serval different Veteran's groups escorted his remains for the 100 mile trip from the Airport to his home town. How amazing is that? After 74 years Marine Sgt. James Hubert, was returned to his home town of Duluth. He is a World War II veteran who was killed in action serving on the Island of Tarawa Atoll. US servicemen who were killed in battle were buried on the Island. His remains were not found and he was declared non recoverable. In 2015, History Flight Inc. discovered another burial site that held the remains of more that were killed in battle. After 73 years the remains of Army Staff Sargent, Gerald Jacobsen were found and identified. "Jerry" was from Little Canada . His wife, Catherine, 94, was presented with his Bronze Star and Purple Heart medal. He was buried at Ft. Snelling with full military honors. It really is wonderful that through modern DNA test more and more are being brought home. Please keep the families of all MIA/POW in your thoughts and Prayers-

President, Karen McNamara



**ALR Director
Dave Adam**



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Legion—Sol Grosskopf



TAPS

Deceased members from Post 1 2016-17
Our sympathies go out to their Families

Minneapolis Post One American Legion Riders (ALR) has been active with its limited membership. The major event was a request to have a program to explain the American Flag etiquette and dedicate classroom flags donated by Hope Lutheran Church at the UofM. Pictures can be found on our website <http://mplspost1.org> click on ALR. Mpls. Post One ALR has participated in the Florida and Kansas State Legacy Runs, and the 1st District of Minnesota run. We will be participating in the 2 Minnesota State Legacy Runs and the National Run. We also were at a 3 day ALR event honoring Gold Star Families and the memories of Veterans, at Rolling Thunder in Washington DC. We have also supported local Posts in Minnesota including riding in parades. If you own a motorcycle and are a member of the Mpls. Post One Family (AL, ALA, SAL), you are eligible and wanted in the Mpls. Post One ALR. There are no additional fees/dues to belong, and involvement is based on a desire to ride. We are focused on participation in events honoring our Military Veterans, wear a vest identifying yourself as an ALR Rider (patch picture on website), and be involved in Children and Youth programs. All information of rides/events is designed to be distributed through social media and/or phone contact.

We also have a classification of supporting members, who have the right to wear a vest with our back patch. This means that every active Legion, Auxiliary, SAL member can participate in this American Legion Post Program. Gatherings and informational meetings will be held the same night as the Post meeting. For rules explanations, check out our Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) on our website. For more information <http://legion.org/riders>

Many of you have your own experiences with chaplains, although outside of the military most associate chaplains with Father Mulcahy from MASH—a jack-of-all spiritual leader who is capable of doing anything from a Catholic mass to a Jewish Seder. Fr. Malcachy isn't entirely accurate.

Officially, according to the Department of Defense, Chaplains:

Are established to advise and assist commanders in the discharge of their responsibilities to provide for the free exercise of religion in the context of military service and guaranteed by the Constitution, to assist commanders in managing Religious Affairs and to serve as the principal advisor to commanders for all issues regarding the impact of religion on military operations. [DoD 1304.19, 4.1] and Chaplains shall:

Shall serve a religiously diverse population. Within the military, commanders are required to provide comprehensive religious support to all authorized individuals within their areas of responsibilities. Religious Organizations that choose to participate in the Chaplaincies recognize this command imperative and express willingness for their Religious Ministry Professionals (RMPs) to perform their professional duties as chaplains in cooperation with RMPs for other religious traditions. [DoD 1304.19, 4.2]

In short, chaplains exist to advise leadership on issues of religious, spiritual, ethical, moral, and morale concerns, as well as meet the diverse spiritual needs of those who serve and their families. For example, a Lutheran chaplain will be a pastor to some but a chaplain to all. If a Lutheran service member or their family needs communion, a baptism, or confession and absolution then a Lutheran chaplain provides such support. But being a chaplain to all means that a Lutheran chaplain must be able to listen and counsel to people from all faiths. A chaplain must also ensure that other faith groups are able to worship and express their own religious affiliations. This could mean helping to get resources or contract personal to help members of another faith group freely exercise their religion.

The American Legion has chaplains for similar reasons but also some extra: to help persons grow in their relationship with God and one another. To serve as a reminder of the transcendent and seek to develop an environment within which Legionnaires are encouraged in their personal and collective moral and spiritual growth. To remind all Americans that God is the source of all rights and privileges.

Hopefully this gives you a glimpse into the responsibility that falls to chaplains, so that you can understand the "how's" and "why's" of everything we do.

Post 1 Past Commanders

Robert Boatman
1986-87

Willard F Dornfeld
1959-60

John P Nelson
1999-2000 **plus**

Post 1 Members

Walter Baskett
Paul Castner Sr
E Allyn Chavez
June Colburn
Past Commander
Wilburn Hueston
A Andee Hull
Michael J Krueger
Harry Maghakian
Walter Mapes
Norman Perl
Carstien Reseland
Harold Rocheford
Roman Shmiganovsky
Emil Steinberg
Russell Sund
A Cleve Town
Wheelock Whitney

Top Stories



Mpls. Post One combined efforts with the Minnesota Veterans Home in Minneapolis, to host:

**Rear Admiral Fredrick Roegge
SUBMARINE FORCE
U.S. PACIFIC FLEET.**

Minneapolis American Legion Post 1, Department of Minnesota, donated the cake. The Minneapolis Veterans home had ice cream and refreshments. The admiral was a UofM ROTC graduate, and he gave a great talk about today's Navy to Legionnaire's and the resident Veterans.





May 2017, Post #1 received a request from Hiawatha elementary School for replacement flags for each class room and the front of the school. Mpls. Post 1 Commander Larry Schoppe, and 1st Vice Commander Herb Hastings, and post member Milt Schoen (Recently Retired Hennepin County Service Officer Director) delivered 40 classroom flags.



Commander Larry and Herb Hastings presented a 3x5 flag to be posted in front of the school to the school principal Deb Regnier. The students and staff were very proud to receive the flags and the students cheered and applauded when the flag was presented to principal Deb. We later received many nice THANK YOU cards from the student at the school.



Milt Schoen spoke to the kids about the history of the flag. Then 1 student from each classroom came up to receive a flag for their room.

Post 1 newsletter. We will be mailed to those who wish to receive a hard copy, or please send us your email address to be added to our electronic mailing list. Please remember that the newsletter will always be available at our website: <http://mplspost1.org>



Once again, on Memorial Day, Mpls. Post #1 Rifle Team performed the 21 gun salute and taps at Pioneer's and Soldiers Cemetery located at Lake Street and Cedar Ave. in South Minneapolis.

National Academy of Science's Office of Military and Veterans Health

The National Academy of Science's Office of Military and Veterans Health is doing a VA-sponsored study regarding the health of Vietnam Veterans. The study—Review of the Health Effects in Vietnam Veterans of Exposure to Herbicides—Eleventh Biennial Update [<http://www8.nationalacademies.org/cp/projectview.aspx?key=49851>]
—is examining the possible relationship between wartime exposure to the herbicides used in Vietnam and their contaminants and adverse health outcomes in Veterans and the offspring. The most recent report from this effort is entitled Veterans and Agent Orange: Update 2014 and it may be downloaded in PDF format for free at <https://www.nap.edu/catalog/21845/veterans-and-agent-orange-update-2014>.

We will be holding a meeting of our expert committee in the Twin Cities Metro area on September 7 at the Courtyard Bloomington by Mall of America. I am writing to ask if a representative of Minneapolis Post One might be interested in attending the public portion of this meeting and whether you know of any Veterans, other area VSOs, scientists or medical professionals, or other members of the public who might wish to present their views on herbicide exposure in Vietnam and health issues for the committee's consideration.

David A. Butler, PhD

Scholar | Director, Office of Military and Veterans Health

Health and Medicine Division

The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine



Hello my name is Corwin Howard Morton the 3rd MD I am the chaplain of Squadron one of the sons of the American Legion Squadron one I am also a disabled Army veteran of sorts

I'm writing to you today because I had the opportunity to finally introduce myself even though I've been serving as a Chaplain for close to 35 years. During my chaplaincy I have helped out a great many veterans of different eras and different locations as well as different branches of the military.

I have helped them in ways like: finding housing that's acceptable for their financial situations helping them find food when they need or other resources that they need or just talking with them and making them feel like somebody instead of nobody. In that regards I'm talking working with suicide prevention for our United States veterans.

So far year-to-date for 2017 I have helped about 25 get into public housing or scattered sites and I'm in the process right now as I'm talking to you of comforting three more individuals getting them to understand that they are worth something and that they can achieve very much if they want to

Some of the recent events that I've helped veterans out with is that our veterans Stand Down which was August 1st and 2nd of 2017 going back further I believe it was on the 29th of last month I helped be part of the procession of a Korean veteran that finally was laid to rest after all these years of being lost over there and I've helped out as far as medical for some as well as hospitalization and quite a few other things.

We all must remember that we are the veterans that gave everybody else including ourselves the freedoms that we enjoy today of course some of those freedoms are being threatened again so it's up to all of us veterans and civilians alike to band together to respect each other and to fight together to keep whatever they can one of the recent things that I had the pleasure of doing was Marching for the American Disability Act on to the state capitol here in St Paul Minnesota and actually giving a testimony of why we need our Healthcare untouched and working again for all of us instead of cut in half

Most of the things I do I do for the good of the legion and its members as well as our veterans of this United States I'm glad I had the opportunity to say something and I hope this gets printed so everybody can read and ask questions of me.

May God bless you all and I leave you with this prayer;

Our dear Lord please look over our men and women in uniform as they fight for the freedoms that are in danger because of situations that arise help them find their paths to do the righteous work that they do and help us here at home to do much the same thing for as much as they needed we need your guidance to Lord and everything that we do and say; and I say these things in the name of Jesus Christ
amen

I will also leave you with this quote from Dwight D Eisenhower

" God bless America!

Freedom has its life in our hearts, the actions, the spirit of men and so it must be daily earned and refreshed else like a flower cut from its life-giving roots, it will wither and die."

And one last thing tomorrow morning I have a meeting with an organization that's just started up about two and a half months ago called trust vets it's an organization made up of veterans that have their own businesses but these veterans help other veterans first and foremost I do hope that a lot of you that read this will join that organization and give your peace and find out what others can do to help you as well as I try to do.



**MINNEAPOLIS POST 1
AMERICAN LEGION**
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1st Sunday of each month
Hospital Visitation VAMC 2PM
1st Wednesday of the month
ALR Hotdish FEED - 5 pm - 7 pm.

[Minneapolis Richfield Post 435](#)
65th and Portland Ave So

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

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

4th Sunday of each month
(excluding holidays and summer)
Pancake Breakfast - 8 am-1:00 pm.
[Wold Chamberlain #99](#)
5600 34th Ave So

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month
Burger BASH - 5 pm—7 pm. .
[Minneapolis Richfield Post 435](#)
65th and Portland Ave So

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Legion calendar

Executive board - 6:00 pm
Delegate meeting - 7:00 pm
2nd Monday
September thru May
25th Ave and 25th St
Minneapolis

January—Tom and Jerry Party
February—Nomination
March—St Patricks Day
April—Election
May—Memorial Day
June—Installation
July no meeting
August—Picnic
September—Housing Corp Report
October—Membership Drive
November—Veterans Day
December—Children meet Santa

Omlet Breakfast
25th Ave and 25th St
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8:30—12:30
2nd Sunday of the month

January—SAL
February—Minneapolis Hockey
March—JR ROTC
April—South High Baseball
May—Auxiliary
June—Franks Theater
July—Auxiliary
August—South High Volleyball
September—Evans Scholarship
October—UofM Womens Hockey
November—Lions Club
December—Auxiliary

Auxiliary
2nd Saturday
10:00 am
Memory Lanes
Minneapolis Post 1
25th Ave and 25th St

SAL Meeting
25th Ave and 25th St
Minneapolis

Next Meeting
August 26, 2017
9:00 AM