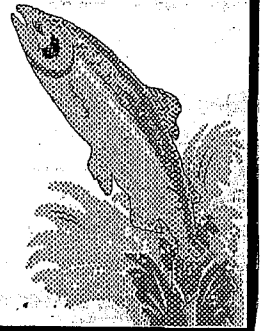




# THE SALMON CREEK POST



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The Fifth District Spring Conference, April 29, hosted by Cape Horn Post 122, Washougal, was a memorable event. Senior Area II and Department Officers were present and shared their vision and reports.

Our American Legion Calendar reminds us that Thursday, June 14 is Flag Day. Fly your flag and join us at our monthly meeting with dinner at 6:00 PM and the meeting at 7:00 PM. Installation for next year's officers is scheduled for our June General Membership meeting. A qualified slate of Nominees was elected in May.

Committee Chairman vacancies and other good opportunities for service remain. If you would prefer to work at the committee level, choose one of these committees: Americanism, Boy's State, Children and Youth, Rehabilitation and Hospitalization, Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Advisory, Membership, Public Relations, Community Service and Post Activitiers. The Post needs your expertise and leadership in order for us to make things happen. It is easy to volunteer, just send me an e-mail message at the Post 176 website or call.

Join us for our pancake breakfast on Sunday mornings from 7:00 to 11:00 AM. As a suggestion, enjoy breakfast on your way TO and FROM other Sunday activities.

Stay informed about our Legion by visiting our website, at [www.post176.com](http://www.post176.com) and follow the links to both the Department of Washington and the National websites.

The Veterans Memorial Museum ([veteransmuseum.org](http://veteransmuseum.org)), 100 SW Veterans Way, Chehalis, WA 98532 will host The Vietnam Traveling Wall, 80% replica, June 21 - June 24, 2007. Directions to the museum are on the museums web site or call 360-740-8875.

American Legion members are reminded to focus on service to the fellow Veteran, to their families and to the community as the guiding priority.

**FINANCE OFFICER: Phil Yasson**

Construction of a new Veterans Cemetery will soon begin in Eastern Washington. This cemetery is primarily for those 140,000 veterans living in Eastern Washington. Governor Gregoire signed the \$8 million dollar bill to fund the project. The US Department of Veterans Affairs will give the state most off of that amount in return. This will be the second Veterans Cemetery built in our state.

Sign up for health information at [http://www.pd.health.mil/nl\\_signup.asp](http://www.pd.health.mil/nl_signup.asp). This is a very interesting site not only for the military members going overseas but also for civilians going out of the country. When you sign up, you will receive a daily health newsletter. Subjects covered are deployment, health news, homeland security, and terrorism, medicines, immunizations to name a few.

On June 3rd, we will host the Boy's State Orientation. Dennis Pelton, the 5th District Chairman, will direct the orientation. These young men are all High School Juniors that will go to Central Washington University for a one-week course on government. They will run for offices, build their own city and name it. They will start their day at 6 AM and be in bed at 10 PM. The fifth district boys will be bussed to Ellensburg and back home. Each boy is sponsored by at least one American Legion Post. All the Chaperones are background checked and verified with the local police department. All members are invited to attend.

Mark August 11th on your calendar. This is the date of the post picnic. It will be held at the post and we are looking for volunteers for set-up, food preparation and running the BBQ grill. Call Peggy to get on the volunteer list.

**Notes from the Legion Riders,  
Harley H. Hall Chapter**

We been up and running for 3 months now and have 10 members signed up so far. The Chapter is the area liaison for the Hometown Hero Program through the Legion and has voted to help sponsor Operation Teddy Bear Program with VVA 512 which handed out about 400 teddy bears to agencies in 3 counties last year alone. And has been giving teddy bears our for over 14 years now, Not to the demand of last year count, but with the Riders

help they could more often. Your patches are ordered and should be here in the next 4 weeks. Both State and National ALR have committed on our webpage with State ALR and our pick on who we're named after, Capt. Harley H. Hall. To see your webpage go to <http://www.alrwa.org/> and click on State Chapters, then to Post 176 and there we are.

**Up Coming Events:**

- 28 May, Memorial Day meeting at Post 0600 hrs.
- 2 June, Kelso-Longview Poker run leaving Post 176 at 0730 hrs.
- 22-24 June Ellensburg, WA American Legion Riders State Rally.
- 21 July Battleground Harvest Days
- 28 July Camas Days Parade
- 8 September Remembrance Run from Vancouver to up north.

**FYI**

Everett Cook stopped by the Post. He looks great after his heart by-pass.

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Emmett Rushing is recovering from knee surgery.

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Everyone here at Post 176 wish them a quick recovery.

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The Memorial Day Breakfast was a success. Everyone had a great time and the food was terrific. Thanks to our cooks Coral and Char.

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It's time to clean out the garage and the Post would like to help you rid of all those saved items by holding a "garage sale". If you are interested call the Post for more information.

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**General Manager: Peggy Brooks**

Bingo continues to grow each session with new players. One of our Assistant Living facilities here in Vancouver bussed in about 15 elderly men and women to play bingo and have some lunch. With a little help from the staff they had a great time and plan to return on a regular basis.

We would like to see more people participating in our games and encourage all members to join us for some great fun!!!

The Bingo Staff is great! They work hard to make the American Legion Post 176 the "Friendlist Place in Town". Take the time to stop by and have a cup of coffee or a bite to eat. Try playing BINGO! PULL TABS! There are great things to WIN!!!!!!.

Our June specials are great!

**MONEY!!! MONEY!!!! MONEY!!!!!!**

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Bunco starts this August and those of you interested need to sign up ASAP!! Just call the Post for more details.

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Peggy Brooks, Post Manager

### HUNTER'S:

Hunter's Ed starts August 24th. Register at the Post. Children must be accompanied by a parent. The cost is \$ 6.00 per person.

### COMMUNICATION TO OUR TROOPS

Larry Bloomquest has asked that the Post place in our Newsletter a request that our members might send a "Message" to our Troops. You may do so by E-Mail to: ke7HGC@ArrL.net. These will be sent to the MCO of a Unit and distributed to Troops. Any news from HOME is a gift and would be greatly appreciated. Thank You for your Support!

### HALL RENTAL

Know someone who is looking for a place to have a Wedding, Reception, or a Party?

Hall Rental is open to the Public!

Post 176 members get a discount!

All party events may require the use of our Bartender, Cook and Security Guard for an additional fee.

Call the Post for more information.

### BINGO HOURS

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday

1st & 2nd Session - 11 AM to 2 PM & 6:30 to 9:30 PM

3 # Bingo - 2:30 to 5 PM

PLEASE JOIN US

### EVENT SCHEDULES

June 1st - FRIDAY @ 7 PM  
CCRC (Radio Club - large hall)

June 8th & 22nd Legion Riders Meeting

June 14th - General Dinner/Meeting  
Dinner @ 6 PM - \$ 5.00  
Meeting @ 7 PM

June 28th - Executive Board Meeting

Have something you would like to say in the newsletter? Call the Post or drop us an e-mail.

Welcome home to all of the "Snow Birds". Have an interesting event to share with us? We would like to hear about them.

### POST HOURS

MONDAY - WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
THURSDAY and FRIDAY 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

HAPPY FATHERS DAY

JUNE 17TH

# AUXILIARY NEWS

June  
2007

**NATIONAL FLAG WEEK IS JUNE 10-16, 2007. PROUDLY FLY YOUR FLAG.**

## AUXILIARY OFFICERS

**2006-2007**

### **PRESIDENT**

Anita Stadey 737-8015

### **1ST VICE PRESIDENT**

Thelma Hathaway 573-0362

### **SECRETARY**

Liane Rushing 256-6190

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Lucille Harwood 573-6723

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Lucille Gukeisen 687-2760

### **SERGEANT AT ARMS**

Roberta Gapsch 573-1885

## Chaplain's Comments

Greetings. I can't stress enough the opportunity we have to help our Veterans. Please read your May-June Auxiliary National News magazine. June 14 is Flag Day and June 10-16 is National Flag Week.

Turn to page 35 in the magazine and read **Our Flag, Our Pride**. Reading Moriah Merkel's story about the flag will refresh your memory and give new bits of information, too.

Our National Chaplain Caroline Koveleski does great with the **Reflections** page. In her May prayer she asks the Lord among other things to "Help us to understand one another and to follow together the way of love." Her June prayer is filled with wisdom and common sense that if practiced would bless us all. I may use part of it in my June business meeting prayers.

*Have a wonderful Summer,* Lucille

## PRESIDENT'S

Hello Ladies!

We had a lot to report on at our last meeting. At the Spring Conference held by the Washougal Post #122, we elected our Officers for 5th District. President is **Betty O'Connor**, Vice-President is **Anita Stadey**, Secretary-Treasurer is **Thelma Hathaway**, and Chaplain is **Faye Dewey**. Sgt. of Arms and other Chairmanships will be appointed at the Summer Convention prior to Installation. This coming year we will be supporting servicemen, with every Unit sending gift packages such as: candy, magazines, and other small items. We're going to start collecting coupons again; but before bringing them in right now, please wait for further information concerning the process of how we're going to proceed with this.

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**MEMBERSHIP:** Our year ended with 80 members paid up. We lost two members by death. Next year Nancy Zilm, a long time member, will be asking for your help. You may help her by sending in your dues early. **Thelma Hathaway**

## MESSAGE

We, also, had our own elections at the last meeting. President is **Anita Stadey**, Vice-President is **Nancy Zilm**, Secretary is **Donna Casciato**, Treasurer is **Ruby Martin**, Chaplain is **Lucille Harwood**, and Sergeant of Arms is **Thelma Hathaway**. Installations of Officers will be held probably in September. At the same time we selected our three delegates for the Convention held in Yakima this summer. They are **Anita Stadey**, **Thelma Hathaway**, and **Liane Rushing**.

We have two young ladies attending Girl's State and representing our Unit #176, **Molly Zink** and **Sarah Klemsz**. We hope they have a lot to report back on and that they had a very pleasurable and rewarding experience.

Be sure to turn in your poppy donation right away, and we will see you at the next meeting.

*President Anita Stadey*



## REST STOP HELP NEEDED

By the time you receive this, we will already be done with the May Rest Stop. If you want to help, don't worry. We still have Rest Stop, June 18 and 19. I would like to have some Legion members offer to help. You can meet some real good people who are traveling on vacation. I will have a chart at the June meeting for you to sign up. **HELP!! HELP!! Contact Thelma Hathaway.**

**CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN ORDER:** At the 5th District American Legion Auxiliary Spring Conference **Anita Stadey** was elected 5th District Vice-President for year 2007-2008. She will be given her obligation for the office at Washington Convention in Yakima, July 21, 2007.

**THANKS** to the Post cooks for an enjoyable dinner on May 10. It's an excellent time to eat, see friends, make new acquaintances and get the evening off to a good start. See you, June 14.

**J U N E 2007**

**S C A L**

<b>SUN</b>	<b>MON</b>	<b>TUE</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>THU</b>	<b>FRI</b>	<b>SAT</b>
27 CLOSED	28 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	29 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	30 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	31	1 CCRC 7:00 PM	2
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10 CLOSED	11 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	12 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	13 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	14 General Meeting Dinner @ 6 Meeting @ 7 Flag Burning Ceremony	15	16
17 CLOSED Fathers Day	18 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	19 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	20 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	21	22	23 Legion Riders 9-11 am
24 CLOSED	25 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	26 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	27 BINGO 11:00 AM 6:39 PM	28 Executive Board Meeting 6:00 PM	29	30

**BINGO SESSIONS = MONDAY - TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY**  
11 AM & 6:30 PM