



The Hearl Herald



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MIKE'S MEANDERINGS

Here it is, the last Leg of summer already! Where did the time go? I can tell you where July went, burgers on the Patio, Fourth holiday, Baseball Bonanza, Fundraiser for our own – Pat, throw in our regular activities and that's where July went.

August looks to be the same, couple of benefits, a Football fundraiser, our annual Car Show plus our kitchen activities and that about sums up our summer. Please stop in check out our upcoming events this month and enjoy the company of fellow members and guests.

Mike,
*Thanks to Ricco and Gary for putting on a fun afternoon hosting a bean bag tournament.

As the world isn't getting any safer, please pray for those who are trying to keep it safe.

AUXILIARY NEWS

Auxiliary Sisters,

Due to our scheduled meeting falling on Monday September 5th (Labor Day) we are moving it to Monday August 22nd at the regular time at the Post Home.

If you have any questions please give me a call.

Becky Olson, 218-233-5130, Unit 21 President

COMMANDERS CORNER

Where did the month go!!!!!!! I hope everyone is having a great Summer!!!! Fall is just around the corner and with that Vikings football will be back.

First I would like to congratulate Denise Milton from the Roaring 9th District and member of Bagley Post 16 for being elected as the Department Commander.

I would like to also thank Past Post 21 Commander Delyle Ishaug, for a job well done for his 3 years as the Post Commander to the Melvin E, Hearl Post.

COMMANDERS CORNER

Membership: What a difference a year makes. At this time last year we'd 41 members that hadn't renewed and this year only 23 (Awesome). Thanks to everyone who made the 2016 membership year a successful one and let's keep it rolling into 2017. Current Post membership for 2016 is at 671 & 222 for the 2017 year. Starting on July 1st and running through Labor Day (September 5th) everyone that renews their 2017 memberships will be eligible for 2 - \$50.00 Cash drawings. So get those renewals in. There will also be another one from September 6th to November 11th (Veterans Day) more to come at a later date. Are you a PUFL (Paid up for Life) you'll be in a separate drawing on Veterans Day.

Want to skip paying by check then pay online it's fast and simple. Just follow the steps below.

Go to www.legion.org/renew, Then click renew now, Enter your 9 digit membership number, Enter your last name, click continue, Review and update your membership information, when done click continue, Enter your billing information and hit submit.

Membership Dinner: Just a heads up we've set our date for the Fall membership dinner on Sunday October 23rd (Vikings play the Eagles @ Noon), so watch for more information on this in the upcoming months.

We are looking for Post members to fill a couple of our open Chairperson positions. If you are interested please give me a call.

In 2 years the American Legion will be celebrating its 100th Birthday and if anyone has any old pictures or articles we would like to capture them as we are putting together a 100 year Centennial book. On a history note, Post 21 was the 10th Post to be chartered in MN

Tim Haugen
Commander

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SQUADRON COMMANDER



Hello to all Squadron 21 members,

August SAL Calendar Of Activities: SAL members participating in the Ten Ideals Program may wish to show their proficiency in portions of the ideals of health and training. Installation of squadron officers often takes place during August.

SAL is still serving Burgers and Brats on Monday nights from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. Kids are always welcomed! We have a couple members come aboard for helping on Monday nights. Thank You to **Darin Mogck** and **Bill Carlson**. Your help is greatly appreciated!

*We truly are in need for more Help in the Kitchen on Mondays...
Please support your fellow SAL'ers. Thank You!*

From the Adjutant/Membership: Its time once again for membership renewals. Renewals will be sent out during the first week of August. Please send your renewals back as soon as you can so we can get as much processed before the 1st of the year or drop off your dues on Monday nights, to the Squadron Commander or myself, Thanks!

Please take time to remember our fallen, and support our troops.

Karl Stange
Squadron 21 Commander
701-367-7714

Membership as of 7/22/16

222

Post 21 would like to thank our Advertisers and we ask that you please support them!!!!

TAPS



Post 21 offers its sincere condolences to the family and friends of their loved one who passed away.

JAMES M (JIM) HENRY

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of this Veteran.

Melvin E. Hearl, Post 21 would like to welcome the following New Member to our Post Home!!
LARRY ONSUN

Post 21 Gaming

The Following Donations were approved by the Gaming Committee:

Color Guard	\$1,066.40
VA Bingo	\$100.00
TOTAL	\$1,166.40

WHAT'S COOKING???

Every

Mon	5:30 - 7:30 SAL Burgers & Brats
Tue	5:30 - 8:00 Fish Dinner
Wed	6:00 - 8:00 Steak Dinner
Thur	5:30 - 8:00 All-U-Can-Eat-Spaghetti
Fri	5:30 - 8:00 1st & 3rd - Ham Dinner 2nd & 4th - Cook's Choice
Sat	Noon - 2 PM Burger Baskets 5:30 - 8:00 Hot Dogs and Baked Potato

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Color/Honor Guard



Welcome Legion Family to your Honor/Color Guard Report. We did 7 funerals, [busy, busy], 4th of July observance, 4 Welcome Homes and Loco Days Parade. We will be participating in other events this Summer. Thanks to all who participate. We can always use more participants. Till we meet, be proud of our Country and your American Legion.

Paul Anderson
Color/Honor Guard Commander
701.866.9110

MISSING IN ACTIVITIES

Brandon Gullekson	Val Reiersgard
Roger Fossum	Heather Syverson
Jay Wentzel	Gary Nolte
James E. Nelson	Gerard Bjelde
Diana Renner	Harry Johnson
Vern Kuhn	Don Bierdeman
Gary Haaland	Elaine Mandt
Robert Foster	Bauer Haugen
Kevin Kiland	Evan Kastet
Myron Kjelden	Don Lein
Dwight Olson	Doyle Dotson
Craig Burgess	William Stanfel
Roger Stuhaug	Paul Meyer

*MAKE SURE TO SIGN THE REGISTER AT THE CLUB.
I COULD BE WRITING YOU THE NEXT CHECK!*

Current Post 21 members serving on Active Duty/Reserve Component

If you're currently in the service Active or Reserve Component and not listed below, please send me your information. I'd like to add your name to this list!!!

SGT Chad Beckerleg - USMC	SFC Brad Hurajt - MN ARNG
SRA Samuel Dibble - ND ANG	SSGT Betsy Miller - ND ANG
AIC Jacob Dibble - ND ANG	MSGT David Somdahl - ND ANG
MAJ Adam Erlandson - USAF	Maj Steven J. Mund - USAR
MAJ Tara Erlandson - USAF	SPC Jarid Petermann - MN ARNG
AIC Brandon Grund - ND ANG	CPT Michael Obach - MN ARNG
WO1 Shane Haugen - MN ARNG	SMSGT Susan Schroeder - ND ANG
MAJ Mathew Hoff - US ARMY	Maj Dean Stulz - MN ARNG
Jeffrey Dahl - ND ANG	PFC Jacob Schobinger - USAR
	SPC Kelly Carney - USAR

***** - Deployed**

Thank You for your Service!!!!



Clay County Veterans Service Office

Where has summer gone? Here at the Veterans service office, myself and Jennifer just completed a week of national training in South Carolina for accreditation. We are planning and preparing for the 3rd Annual Clay/Cass County Veterans Conference on September 16th at the Moorhead National Guard Armory with a free lunch provided. Program runs from 9am – 4pm. This year we are partnering with Cass County in order to reach out to a greater number of local veterans. Our mission is to inform our veterans of the benefits and resources that are available to them at the county, state, and federal level. If you are veteran and you have questions, mark this day on your calendar to attend.

Curt Cannon - Clay County Veterans Service Officer

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	1 SAL Burgers & Brats 5:30 - 7:30 PM Beer Specials 7:00 PM	2 Bingo-6:30 First Game \$50.00 Kitchen 5:30 Walleye Dinner \$12.00	3 Pounders All Day Steak Fry 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$9.00	4 Bingo - 6:30 PM Kitchen 5:30 PM All U Can Eat Spaghetti \$6.95	5 Bingo - 6:30 PM \$1,000 Must Go!!! Kitchen 5:30 PM Meat Raffles	6 10th Annual Post 21 Car Show Burger Baskets 10 AM - 2 PM \$4.00 Bingo - 6:30 PM Kitchen - 5:30 PM
7 Open 2 PM - 10PM Military Purple Heart Day	8 SAL Burgers & Brats 5:30 - 7:30 PM Beer Specials Post Meeting 7:00 PM	9 Bingo-6:30 First Game \$50.00 Kitchen 5:30 Walleye Dinner \$12.00	10 Pounders All Day Steak Fry 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$9.00	11 Bingo - 6:30 PM Kitchen 5:30 PM All U Can Eat Spaghetti \$6.95	12 Regular Bingo 6:30 PM Kitchen 5:30 PM	13 Burger Baskets Noon - 2:00 PM \$4.00 Bingo - 6:30 PM Kitchen - 5:30 PM
14 Open 2 PM - 10PM	15 SAL Burgers & Brats 5:30 - 7:30 PM Beer Specials 7:00 PM	16 Bingo-6:30 First Game \$50.00 Kitchen 5:30 Walleye Dinner \$12.00	17 Pounders All Day Steak Fry 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$9.00	18 Bingo 6:30 PM Kitchen 5:30 PM All U Can Eat Spaghetti \$6.95	19 Bingo - 6:30 PM \$1,000 Must Go!!! Kitchen 5:30 PM Meat Raffles	20 Burger Baskets Noon - 2:00 PM \$4.00 Bingo - 6:30 PM Kitchen - 5:30 PM
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28 Open 2 PM - 10PM Moorhead Football Fundraiser 4pm-8pm	29 SAL Burgers & Brats 5:30 - 7:30 PM Beer Specials 7:00 PM	30 Bingo-6:30 First Game \$50.00 Kitchen 5:30 Walleye Dinner \$12.00	31 Pounders All Day Steak Fry 6:00 - 8:00 PM \$9.00	AUGUST 2016		

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The new feature provides women Veterans with another avenue to ask general questions about benefits, eligibility and services specifically for women Veterans. WVCC chat is available by visiting the Women Veterans Health Care webpage at www.womenshealth.va.gov and clicking the "Chat with the Women Veterans Call Center" icon. As the chat function is anonymous; please do not use personally identifiable information such as social security numbers. WVCC Chat is available Monday through Friday 8 AM – 10 PM ET, and on Saturdays from 8 AM – 6:30 PM ET.

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Post 21 Baseball Blues/Golds Legion Baseball

The 2016 baseball season has concluded for the Blues and the Golds. Both squads had very good seasons. The Blues finished with a final record of 31-14. The Blues were pool winners in the Fargo-Moorhead and Gopher Classic tournaments. The Blues were led at the plate by Carter Howell and his .401 batting average. They were led on the mound by Alex Erickson and his 5 wins. We were able to play 45 games in a six week span. This shows how dedicated the players were to the team, to the community and to themselves.

I want to thank all the Blues and Golds players for participating in American Legion Baseball this Summer. Baseball is the greatest game around, because you have to learn to deal with failure so much. The player that learns to keep their composure in good times and bad, is going to be the most consistent player and person. I want to thank the Moorhead American Legion Post 21 for all their support. They are very visible and involved compared to many other posts throughout the state. You can tell they are proud of their boys and their baseball team. Thanks to all our sponsors. Thanks to the parents for all of their volunteer hours and support of their boys. I am truly blessed to be able to coach in this community with all these good people. Thanks again for the support. Until next season, Go Blues!

Coach Bergeson



Upcoming Events

- Aug
- 1 No Unit 21 Meeting
 - 6 10th Annual Post 21 Car Show
 - 7 Military Order of the Purple Heart Day
 - 8 Post 21 Meeting
- Sep
- 3 Labor Day (Club Closed)
 - 9 Moorhead Greater Day Parade
 - 11 Patriot Day
 - 12 Post 21 Meeting
 - 16 American Legion Day
 - 18 USAF Birthday
 - 19 POW/MIA Recognition Day
 - 25 DAV Birthday
 - 29 VFW Birthday
- Oct
- 7 2nd Renewal Notice sent out from National (Membership)
 - 23 Fall Membership Dinner
 - 28 Fall Conference (Marshall)
 - 29 Fall Conference (Marshall)
 - 31 Halloween

Boys State Les Forman, Chairman

Boys State Nation was held in Marshall, MN from June 12th to June 16th. Young men from all areas of Minnesota participated. These young men learned about MN government at the local, county and state levels. They learned this by doing. They formed governments at all levels and campaigned, held elections and ran the various governments.

American Legion Post 21 in Moorhead had the privilege of sponsoring two young men from Moorhead High School. Sam Grove and Jacob Bormann were our representatives. Both of these young men indicated that they learned a lot, formed lasting friendships and were very thankful for the opportunity to attend.

Sam said that this was by far the best experience so far in his life. He thanked our post and again stated that it was amazing to compete with other delegates for the political offices.

Jacob, unfortunately, became ill on Wednesday of the gathering and had to leave early. His father said that Jacob had enjoyed the portions of the week that he was able to attend and was grateful to our post for sponsoring him. Jacob's twin sister attended Girls State this year and was sponsored by our Auxiliary.

Post 21 members support this program and hope to have greater participation in upcoming years.