



American Legion
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Newsletter: *April 81*

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ITEM 1: This newsletter is early this month as our Constitution and By-Laws require that the announcement of candidates for officers for the new Legion year must be made in advance. So, that's what I'm doing. The Nominating Committee (Norm Avery and Bob Dalehite) has informed me in writing that the following members have offered their services to the Post as outlined:

Commander	Max Hoyer
Sr. Vice Cmdr.	John Kovar
Jr. Vice Cmdr.	John Hughes
Finance Officer	Bud Eberhard
Adjutant	Neal Thomas
Sgt.-at-Arms	Jim Canavan
Chaplain	Wally Lonsinger
Post Service Officer	John Gaillard
Executive Comm. Heeman	Martin Timmerwilke

ITEM 2: The next meeting of the Post will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, 16 April 1981, at the DAV Home - 2101 Willamette, just two blocks east of the Olympic Training Center. The prime topic will be the vote for our new officers. In addition to those people listed in Item 1, nominations will be accepted from the floor. The larger the attendance, the fairer the vote, and the more opportunity you have to get your two cents in.

ITEM 3: The District 7 1981 Convention will be held on Sunday, 3 May, at Manitou Springs Post 39.

Registration begins at 11:30 with the meeting convened at 1:00 p.m. We will be assessed on the basis of 60 members (\$6.00). We must seat two delegates to exercise our 8 votes. This meeting is open to all Legionnaires. Try to make it as John Gaillard, our Service Officer, is running for District Executive Committeeman and I as the incumbent Chaplain.

ITEM 4: The \$1,000 we received from the estate of our comrade, Walt Peritz, has been invested in a 2 1/2 year CD at 12 1/2% with Western Federal Savings & Loan.

ITEM 5: The Leadership College is to be held at the USAFA on 29-31 May. John Kovar is being sponsored by our Post.

ITEM 6: Dedication of the Carillon, near the USAFA Chapel is scheduled for Saturday, 30 May, at 1:30 p.m. Please try to attend to make this a stirring event. Also--everything we do costs more than expected. The Carillon Committee is accepting donations to meet unexpected overruns. Would someone consider making a motion for a small Post contribution?

ITEM 7: I just received the Boys State literature and am in the process of writing letters to our schools requesting nominations. Fees and applications are due in to Department by 30 May 1981. Boys State is 8-13 June 1981.

ITEM 8: Bud Eberhard informs me that we have 58 members to quota. We need two more to meet our goal so all you delinquents/procrastinators/fence sitters, etc., please get your dues in--We need you now so that sometime in the future when your family may need the Legion it will be there to serve them.

ITEM 9: A closing thought--The near tragedy we Americans experienced on Monday, 30 March, again emphasizes the deterioration in our great nation of the respect for our elected and appointed officials, our law enforcers, and other authorities. Without a sense of respect, discipline, responsibility, unity, and reverence to some Supreme Being we cannot hope to maintain our position in the world politic where every two-bit satrap is out to take from us what is ours--ours because we worked, prayed, fought, loved, died, and most of all, dreamed it could be so. Better they should follow our guide than to undermine the very resources we provide for their existence. God Bless America.

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