



FIRST DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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First District Commander: Roland Hanson

Hello fellow veterans.

My theme this year is Membership through Education. We need to educate our members, potential members and communities on the Four Pillars our organization was founded upon. Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, Children and Youth.

If you would like to learn more about the four pillars please contact me at 507-438-6573 or e-mail me rehanson46@outlook.com to set up an appointment for our power point presentation.

My project this year is to raise funds for the Brain Science Foundation to keep the research going on PTSD and other diseases of the brain such as Alzheimers.

The District 1 picnic was a successful fun time. It was attended by the Department Commander (he deep fried turkey for us) and the Department President. Also special guest Denice Milton who is campaigning to be Dept. Commander next year attended.

First District is doing great on membership, number one as of this writing. Great job everyone keep up the good work!

I'm looking forward to a successful year and a fun time as we work together and remember to thank a veteran.

IMPORTANT DATES

August 28, 2015 thru September 3, 2105 is the National American Legion Convention in Baltimore, Maryland.

September 12, 2015— Department Harvest Rally at Legionville. Turn in 3 to 4, program at 4:30 diner following

Sept 26, 2015 - Area One Rally in Mazeppa Post 588. Times are 3:00 PM social and 4:00PM rally.

Oct 10, 2015—Department training open to all members at Post 132 in New Ulm, MN from 10am to 3pm.

Oct 17, 2015 - The District Fall Rally at American Legion Post 91 in Austin, MN. 9:00 am Executive Boards with a 10:00 am Rally.

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LEGIONVILLE NEWS

The Legionville safety school patrol just finished their year. I don't have an exact number of kids yet. I know it was an eventful summer with the storm that ripped through the camp destroying the beautiful trees. The power and the portions of the new barn were damaged. There was also some damage to a couple of the dorms especially the roofs and some of the front doors.

It also raised a lot of problems for the disabled veterans deer hunt. The trails that I was on, you could not see but maybe 5 feet in front of you from all down trees. Please remember that there is still a lot of cleaning to be done up there. If you have some free time and would like to help please call me or Roy at Legionville.

We also could use some donations to help offset the costs of cleanup. If you need more information please contact me at;

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FIRST DISTRICT NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

The First District newsletter can be found on these post web sites. Please go to them and have a look. It not only will give you access to the newsletter but also to the events happening at each of these posts. They are as follows:

Albert Lea Post 56 at americanlegionpost56.com

Austin Post 91 at austinpost91.com

Rochester Post 92 at post92.org

Winona Post 9 at americalegionwinona.org (click on windjammer tab)

THE NEWSLETTER WILL NOT BE MAILED OUT ANYMORE. IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO WANTS IT E-MAILED TO THEM PLEASE HAVE THEM SEND THEIR NAME AND E-MAIL ADDRESS TO THE DISTRICT ADJUANT WHO'S INFOR-

Greetings from Area One:

Don Peterson has informed me that the Armed Forces Service Center at the Minneapolis International Airport needs volunteers and donations. Don is First District's Representative on the Board of Directors for the AFSC. The Armed Forces Service Center (AFSC) is an "all-free" stop and rest place located at the Minneapolis/St. Paul Intl. Airport, for active-duty military personnel, their dependents, activated Reservists and National Guardsmen. Donations may come from your gambling funds since the AFSC is a non-profit 501(C)(3) organization, and their mailing address is:

Armed Forces Service Center
4300 Glumack Drive - LT 3693
Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport
St. Paul, MN 55111

Also, you may call the AFSC at (612) 726-9156 for more info. This is a great place to give the Legion some exposure and the potential for recruiting new members.

Hope to see you at the Area One Rally in Mazepa on Saturday September 26.

I look forward to visiting your Post, and feel free to contact me. Remember our troops and their loved ones in your prayers. May God Bless America.

Area One Vice Commander
Joe P Brown, Sr

Greetings from Area Three,

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I want to thank everyone for coming to the District picnic on Sunday, the 16th of August. It was well attended and everyone had a very good time and delicious food was enjoyed by all.

I want to talk a little about membership. The Posts, at this time, are doing a very good job. However, we would like to see all Posts increase their membership. To do this we need to communicate with people we know and inquire of them if they are members or are eligible to be members. If you talk to people and they say the Legion can nothing for them there are two things we can do to show them what the Legion can do: 1) We will be having training courses this year at different locations in the District and you need to encourage someone from your Posts to attend these sessions and bring the information back to your Posts, or 2) you can call me and I will be happy to sit down with anyone and discuss the benefits of the Legion.

I want to wish all of you who will be attending the National Convention in Baltimore to have an enjoyable and informative time.

Remember, if you meet anyone in uniform, be sure to stop and thank them for their service.

Carroll Hill, Vice Commander
Area Three

Area Four News

Greetings from Arnie Troe, District 1 Vice Commander, Area 4!

The weather has sure been great lately, but we sure need the rain! The District membership turn in at Legionville was great, but we still need to keep working membership on a daily basis to keep that first place standing.

The next six weeks are going to be very busy with National Convention in Baltimore; we will turn around and head to Camp-o-Ree at Legionville. The 1st District will be serving a steak supper on Thursday night at the Camp-o-Ree, so please join us. Friday will be the famous "Hole in One" competition. You won't want to miss any of the fun.

See you folks in Baltimore!

First District Membership Report For 8/20/2015

POST	CITY	Goal	Previous	Turn In	Total	PERCENT	LEFT	Turn In Date
9	Winona	668	373	1	374	55.99%	294	8/20/2015
90	Lewiston	79	0	20	20	25.32%	59	7/29/2015
190	St Charles	150	76	1	77	51.33%	73	8/20/2005
Winona County Totals		897	449	22	471	52.51%	426	8/20/2015
50	Wabasha	322	99	28	127	39.44%	195	8/20/2015
110	Lake City	160	82	14	96	60.00%	64	8/20/2015
179	Plainview	202	93	10	103	50.99%	99	8/20/2015
546	Kellogg	71	22	5	27	38.03%	44	8/12/2015
573	Elgin	45	21	3	24	53.33%	21	8/5/2015
579	Millville	135	57	17	74	54.81%	61	8/20/2015
588	Mazeppa	85	40	2	42	49.41%	43	8/20/2015
Wabasha County Totals		1020	414	79	493	48.33%	527	8/20/2015
92	Rochester	1043	426	65	491	47.08%	552	8/20/2015
119	Byron	154	57	19	76	49.35%	78	8/20/2015
164	Stewartville	330	170	8	178	53.94%	152	8/20/2015
446	Rochester	11	8	0	8	72.73%	3	7/29/2015
551	Eyota	179	86	11	97	54.19%	82	8/20/2015
Olmstead County Totals		1717	747	103	850	49.50%	867	8/20/2015
Area One Totals		3634	1610	204	1814	49.92%	1820	8/20/2015
295	West Concord	69	27	4	31	44.93%	38	8/20/2015
330	Hayfield	240	54	41	95	39.58%	145	8/20/2015
333	Kasson	275	154	1	155	56.36%	120	8/20/2015
384	Dodge Center	94	40	11	51	54.26%	43	8/12/2015
422	Claremont	37	2	8	10	27.03%	27	7/29/2015
Dodge County Totals		715	277	65	342	47.83%	373	8/20/2015
52	Blooming Prairie	120	36	16	52	43.33%	68	8/5/2015
77	Owatonna	605	265	35	300	49.59%	305	8/20/2015
296	Ellendale	28	13	0	13	46.43%	15	7/29/2015
Steele County Totals		753	314	51	365	48.47%	388	8/20/2015
75	New Richland	70	33	3	36	51.43%	34	8/20/2015
228	Waseca	347	201	8	209	60.23%	138	8/20/2015
281	Janesville	110	57	4	61	55.45%	49	8/20/2015
587	Waldorf	28	15	2	17	60.71%	11	8/20/2015
Waseca County Totals		555	306	17	323	58.20%	232	8/20/2015
Area Two Totals		2023	897	133	1030	50.91%	993	8/20/2015

40	Lanesboro	103	38	5	43	41.75%	60	8/20/2015
68	Spring Valley	84	28	12	40	47.62%	44	7/29/2015
81	Harmony	36	1	14	15	41.67%	21	8/12/2015
94	Rushford	142	64	1	65	45.77%	77	8/20/2015
166	Preston	81	23	5	28	34.57%	53	8/5/2015
197	Chatfield	54	1	30	31	57.41%	23	8/5/2015
299	Mabel	192	38	36	74	38.54%	118	8/12/2015
369	Wykoff	21	10	8	18	85.71%	3	8/20/2015
400	Canton	18	1	0	1	5.56%	17	7/29/2015
492	Fountain	19	1	0	1	5.26%	18	7/29/2015
526	Peterson	35	16	1	17	48.57%	18	8/20/2015
544	Ostrander	25	1	9	10	40.00%	15	8/5/2015
637	Whalen	15	1	11	12	80.00%	3	8/20/2015
Fillmore County Totals		825	223	132	355	43.03%	470	8/20/2015
191	Caledonia	179	65	56	121	67.60%	58	8/20/2015
249	Spring Grove	171	5	1	6	3.51%	165	8/20/2015
423	Houston	114	41	4	45	39.47%	69	8/20/2015
498	Hokah	21	11	4	15	71.43%	6	8/12/2015
595	LaCrescent	365	113	53	166	45.48%	199	8/20/2015
Houston County Totals		850	235	118	353	41.53%	497	8/20/2015
Area Three Totals		1675	458	250	708	42.27%	967	8/20/2015
56	Albert Lea	739	373	49	422	57.10%	317	8/20/2015
264	Glenville	90	34	12	46	51.11%	44	8/20/2015
266	Hartland	20	1	0	1	5.00%	19	7/29/2015
317	Emmons	76	30	5	35	46.05%	41	8/20/2015
404	Alden	106	50	1	51	48.11%	55	8/20/2015
552	Freeborn	40	17	5	22	55.00%	18	8/12/2015
Freeborn County Totals		1071	505	72	577	53.87%	494	8/20/2015
91	Austin	700	309	12	321	45.86%	379	8/20/2015
105	Lyle	97	28	9	37	38.14%	60	8/20/2015
140	Grand Meadow	50	1	28	29	58.00%	21	8/5/2015
146	Adams	216	97	21	118	54.63%	98	8/20/2015
161	LeRoy	73	24	3	27	36.99%	46	8/20/2015
570	Austin Spam	6	1	4	5	83.33%	1	7/29/2015
Mower County Totals		1142	460	77	537	47.02%	605	8/20/2015
Area Four Totals		2213	965	149	1114	50.34%	1099	8/20/2015
1111	Dakota	82			0		82	
District One Totals		9627	3930	736	4666	48.47%	4961	8/20/2015

AREA VICE COM-MANDER STANDINGS								
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AREA FOUR	2213	965	149	1114	50.34%	1099	8/20/2015	

Greetings First District:

Today feels like fall outside. The temperature is in the 60's. Hard to believe it is August. Just so this isn't a sign of things to come.

As of the writing of this article, we are again in 1st place in department. I want to thank each and every one of you and your Post. What a great job you are doing. The membership team really appreciates all the hard work you are doing. We have to make sure we continue to stay on top to make our Dept. Commander Jim and the 1st District the PRIDE of the Dept. Keep sending those memberships in every week, preferably on Friday, so they can count on the following weeks report.

We had a couple of great meetings in August. First was the membership meeting at Legionville. It was a good turnout and very informative. It was totally unbelievable to observe the damage that was done in the area by the straight line winds. I've seen tornadoes that haven't done that much damage.

Another event was the District picnic held in Stewartville. We had another great day with a lot of good food, good membership turn in and fellowship. Thanks go out to Department Commander Jim and the crew for a job well done.

September will see the Delegates off to the National Convention in Baltimore. Keep us in your thoughts and prayers for a safe and informative convention.

On September 12th there is the Department Harvest Rally being held up at Legionville. Anyone who hasn't been to this rally in the past should really try to attend. The camp out and food is great and the rally is very informative.

September 26th is the first district rally of the year. It will be held in area 1 at Mazeppa Post #588. Be sure to reserve this date. The area rally's this year are going to be geared to what the American Legion is all about and their programs notably the Four Pillars and the programs under each pillar.

Remember to get all those unsigned members signed up before January 1st, when the dues increase takes effect.

Until next month.

District Membership Director – Les Shaunce

Greetings First District:

“Service to God and Country” – it’s an American Legion program, yes, but the saying describes just as well our members’ attitude and way of life. Nondenominational and nonsectarian, the Legion’s support for religion in the public square is basic Americanism. Rather than acting independently of religious groups, the Legion desires to cooperate with and join them in reminding the American people with one voice that God is the author and architect of our beloved “land of the free.” Without God, there is no Americanism.

THE CHAPLAIN

By Rev. Arthur L. Rustad

The office of chaplain in the American Legion was made necessary and important with the declaration of the purpose of the organization. The opening words of the preamble state: "For God and Country we associate ourselves together."

In other words, the American Legion is dedicated to the service of our country in line with the divine and eternal principles of liberty, equality, justice and freedom, and the chaplain is there to keep the organization true to its course.

You will find the chaplain at all levels-- the post, district, department and national. His duties are humble, spiritual, and meaningful. He offers prayer, is a member of the executive committee, works closely with the commander, conducts memorial services, helps keep alive the debt of the American people to the heroic dead, and infuses the spirit of the divine into the life of the organization. His work does not bulge out in any particular place, but as the yeast permeates the whole lump of dough to make the bread palatable, the work of the chaplain pervades the whole of The American Legion of Minnesota, to help in a small way to make it the highly regarded department that it is. Rev Rustad was Department chaplain in 1937 and 1938.

Source: LEGION 50 The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary and the 40 and 8 in Minnesota 1919-1969. By Bernard A. (Ben) Gimmestad, Ross & Haines, Inc. Minneapolis Minnesota 1970.

We also need to remember those in the hospital and those who are ill in mind, body, and spirit. Keep the Skillsteads in your thoughts and prayers as LaVonne is in the hospital at St Marys in Rochester.

Fellow Legion family members, working together and making the American Legion family the best it can be, is doing our nation a great service. Regular worship, teaching our selves and our children about God and Americanism, along with the other parts of the God and Country program, will help us get back on the right track.

In closing this month, keep up the spirit, and a prayer for the nation. "O God, guard our homes, churches, schools, and our entire land and all therein from harm and destruction. Preserve the integrity of this nation founded on religious principles by protecting it from all enemies within and without. Amen".

Thank you for allowing me to humbly serve,
MN First District Chaplain,
Ralph Schneekloth

Greetings, First District.

PR tips for the month of September. Plenty of events this month. Sept is National Disaster Preparedness Month, the 7th is Labor Day, the 9th is Early Bird/NEF kickoff national membership target date of 50%. Sept 11th Patriot Day, Sept 15th National History Contest entry certificate forms due to be post-marked to National. Sept 16th is American Legion Day, consider a proclamation for mayors or county. Sept 17th is Constitution Day, the 18th is National POW/MIA Recognition Day. Sept 27th is Gold Star Mother's Day. So, as you can see there are lots of things going on to promote your Post and the American Legion.

Also, any Posts, Units, Sons, Riders if you have an event taking place, send one of the contact people the information and we will do our best to get it posted. Parades, picnics take pictures, meetings etc. there is so many things always going on, let us know. We can't post it if we don't have it, and remember, "All days are good days".

Public relations is primarily about image, and every Legionnaire plays a role in communicating it. The positive and negative things seen and heard at every level of the organization shape how people perceive the American Legion and what we stand for. **For most people, perception is reality.**

An organization's image is based on its character, integrity and total performance. It has many facets, including:

The organization's history in dealing with people

Internal attitude towards members

External attitude toward community responsibility and involvement

News releases, interviews and other dealings with the media

Internal and external publications

Institutional advertising

Public Relations ties directly into membership; without members we cease to be an organization.

It is stated that approximately 200,000 members do not renew each year. That's how important it is. Not for the sake of the numbers but for our impact on our elected officials and the impact on our many programs at local, state and national level- "That's why it's important."

**"GET INVOLVED IN MEMBERSHIP
RECRUIT---RETAIN---REINSTATE"**

Thank you for allowing me to humbly serve,

MN First District PR Committee chair,

Ralph Schneekloth

September 15 Adult Sports

Still looking for a post to host the District bowling tournament thus year. If interested, send memo to District Adjutant, Wayne Hammon Jr. Thank you.

Ralph Schneekloth,
Adult Sports Chair

POST CHALLENGE

At the local level, a similar proclamation will be needed by every mayor or city manager in every Legiontown in America. The following template can be filled out and provided to the mayor's office with a request for a proclamation for your city or town.

Community Proclamation

WHEREAS, The American Legion was chartered by Congress in 1919 on September 16th as a wartime veterans organization based on the four pillars of Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children & Youth; and

WHEREAS, Over the years, The American Legion has become a preeminent community-service organization which now numbers more than 2.5 million members -- men and women -- in more than 14,000 American Legion posts worldwide working a variety of programs that support the four pillars and benefit our nation's veterans, its service members, their families, the youth of America and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, The members of The American Legion are dedicated to upholding the ideals of freedom and democracy, while working to make a difference in the lives of fellow Americans; and

WHEREAS, The (insert year) observance of American Legion Day provides an opportunity to recognize Legionnaires in our community for their many contributions to our community (or state).

NOW, THEREFORE, I, (name), (position or title) of the City (or State) of _____ (insert city & state) do hereby proclaim September 16, (insert year), as

THE AMERICAN LEGION DAY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this (written day of month), in the year of our Lord two thousand (insert year).

JR SHOOTING SPORTS INFORMATION



Pictured from left to right: Darren Roemhildt, parent; his son Lane age 12; Michael Tobin, coach; Parker Adams, age 17; MN Commander, Peggy Moon; 1st District Commander, Myron Ehrich; and Post 77 Commander, Gary Ringhofer. Photo taken by Dennis Johnson, Legionnaire, at Post 77 meeting April 7, 2015. The annual dues for participation in the Owatonna Top Shots Junior Shooting Program sponsored by Post 77 have been reduced to \$30 for the season. Prospective shooters may try out the air rifles at the **Sunday, September 13, 2015**, Minnesota Pheasants free skeet shoot for children at the Owatonna Gun Club in Hope, MN. Lunch is provided and they offer free use of a 20GA shotgun. There will be a free BB gun demonstration along with the Owatonna Top Shots demonstration of the Sportier Class 3 position air rifle discipline. Informational meetings for OTS will be held at the American Legion in September and October to answer everyone's questions. First practice is scheduled for **November 3** at the Retrofit Companies building, 1010 Hoffman Drive, Owatonna. Each shooter will have rifles and equipment issued to them for the season. We usually have 4 matches where shooters compete. This is the process for being selected to be on the US Olympics team.

Michael Tobin

Coach and member of the American Legion Post 77

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Hello and greetings from First District Auxiliary President Pat Miner. I've been a member of the Adams American Legion Auxiliary for 21 years. I am eligible through my husband Marvin a WW II veteran and a Legion member for 70 years. I was First District President in 2006-2007 and have decided to return to help the Auxiliary.

I am willing to visit with any unit with concerns about the programs or membership and will bring the membership chairman along.

I have a great group of Officer and Chairman to help promote the programs of the American Legion Auxiliary and to help grow membership. If you have any questions about the programs of the American Legion Auxiliary or want more information check the Auxiliary website alaforveterans.org.

I need an Officers list from the following units:

Alden
Claremont
Elgin
Emmons
Fountain
Grand Meadow
Harmony
Hokah
Janesville
Lanesboro
Mabel
Millville
New Richland
Ostrander
Peterson
Rushford
St. Charles
Winona
Wykoff

Please email, regular mail or phone message me.

Pat Miner
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To all members of the First District American Legion Family:

I want to take this time to “thank you” for the support I have received so far in my journey to become your Department President for the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of MN. It is with great pride and honor to serve our Veterans, their families, and our communities. A special “thank you” to my Unit, Glenville #264. My journey wouldn’t have been successful without you! You are AWESOME!

Now, in turn, I ask for your support to work as a family in each post, unit, squadron, and Riders promoting our mission of the Auxiliary! It is now; when we will move forward to promote “civility” in our organization! It is now; when we share our strengths and build on them to grow our organization!

To all Posts and Auxiliary’s struggling with leadership, ask a younger member to step up to lead! With your mentoring they can take the reins and you can help them build confidence in promoting your Unit/Post, etc.

I hear too many times our members are all 70/80 years of age. I ask why? Have you opened the door asking your daughters, granddaughters to join in with you? Have you asked a neighbor or friend if they have someone who has an interest to the greatest Patriotic organization in the World? Legionnaire’s, you belong, ---how about your spouse, daughters, and granddaughters?

First District has rolled back thousands of members the past few years. We didn’t lose all of these members to deaths. I ask you—each of you-- to take a look at our members that has not rejoined and asks why? I ask each of you, Legion, Auxiliary, SAL, and Riders to consider asking one person to join/rejoin our organization.

In order to maintain we must show others what we do and why we do it! If we are truly here for the good of our veterans and the good of our organization, we need to show our support. Remember--#’s count when we lobby for the Veterans benefits and rights.

If this is done, First District will stop the decline!

We have work to do! If we remember the golden rule and treat each other how you like to be treated, we can accomplish many things! Change is good and it’s about the only thing we can count on every day!

*I believe if we stand on Commander Rollies’ theme and President Pat’s theme we will accomplish the goals we set out to do! We will **“Serve those who Served!”** I look forward working with Commander Jim, Detachment Commander Gene, and the Riders in making changes this year! We can no longer continue doing it the way it’s always been!*

I am here for anyone and everyone. You might not see me much this year, but know I will support you in any way I can! Do not hesitate to call me or send me an e-mail.

God Bless each of you and God Bless America,

Department President,

Sandy Fredrickson

FIRST DISTRICT AUXILIARY OFFICER LIST FOR 2015/2016

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The list in last month's newsletter had some mistakes in it so we are running the Officer Lists again with the corrected list.

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Good day, is or isn't it Sons members.

We will know more information on how this year is going to be run after the Exec Board in Anoka on Saturday.

I thought I would let everyone know that my commander's project is the Minnesota Emergency Fund, that money is used for our state and national disasters.

I am disappointed in membership turn in so far I know the east side of district have had their packets since July 10th, where's the membership, are we waiting for Christmas or just plain lazy? Let's get going and be number one in detachment. I don't know how long the west side packets have been out but let's see what area can be the leaders.

Please come to the district rallies and have fun. I hope to do e board in early October and who knows maybe have some surprises to throw out. Please join and retain and sign new we need 2000 plus members so let's get going.

Thanks and let's keep driving on forward.

Glenn Mueller - District One SAL
Commander

Omelet Breakfast—LaCrescent Squadron 595, 8am to 12pm on the fourth Sunday of every other month starting with August

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



RIDERS CONTACT INFORMATION

PRESIDENT

Dennis Lewison
Adams, MN
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Greetings,

Here are some events coming up.

VICE—PRESIDENT

Tony Loecher
Rochester, MN
507/358/638

Saturday, September 12th, 2015 Austin ALR's Ride to the Hills. See the Flyer for details.

Sunday, September 20th, 2015 is the King Apple Parade in LaCrescent. All ALR members are invited to ride in the parade. It begins at 1:00pm. We will meet in the parking lot of the LaCrescent American Legion at 12:15. The parade will start at Main & Elm St, heading east on Main St, to 2nd St and on to Elm St.

SECRETARY

Nancy Lewison
Adams, MN
507/440/2090

The Department ALR Romp is scheduled for September 25-27th at Legionville. Please see the Legionaire for more information.

SGT AT ARMS

Spanky Carroll
Rushford, MN
507/450/0741

Saturday, October 17th, 2015 is the date for the First District Family Fall Rally. This is an informational meeting and is a great way to learn about some of the programs.

HISTORIAN

Karla Miller
Rushford, MN
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We will also be planning a fall ride. We will be looking for Posts to stop at.

Please contact Dennis Lewison if you have questions regarding the First District American Legion Riders.

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Dennis Lewison
First District ALR Director

ROAD CAPTAIN

Lee Dority
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We ride to honor those who have served our country and to bring awareness to the American Legion Family.

***2ND ANNUAL
RUN TO THE HILLS
LEGION RIDERS POST 91***

SEPTEMBER 12, 2015

***SIGNUP STARTS AT 9:00AM AT THE
AMERICAN LEGION AUSTIN, MN
\$20/RIDER OR \$30/BIKE***

KICK STANDS UP AT 10:00AM

***MUSIC, DOOR PRIZES, SILENT AUCTION
AND HOG ROAST FOLLOWING THE RIDE
\$8/PERSON DINNER COST***

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