

STAHL POST 30 NEWS

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From The Commander

By Sal Vaccarino

Congratulations to Stahl Post Players and Coaches for a great American Legion baseball season. While it ended too soon for our boys, we saw lots of excitement, great games, and real sportsmanship in every game this season. Not to mention the fantastic Stahl Post Family atmosphere and comraderies that took place all season long. Even during the playoff tournament, I heard many comments from other teams' families on how impressive our team, our coaches, and our post were. Not to mention how great the food was during the entire season. Special thanks to Pam and the entire Grill Teams during this season. You were all very important to the success of our season, and in keeping the fans, families, and especially the team fed through the entire season. JOB WELL DONE to all!!!

As many of you have already heard, we will be celebrating the team on Wednesday August 1st at 6PM in our Lawruk Hall and awarding the very first Bob Anderson Memorial Scholarship Award to the player on the team who displayed the qualities of baseball players Bob loved the most. Dedication. Commitment. Effort. Selflessness. Teamwork. and Honesty. All three organizations within Stahl Post have joined forces to create a \$1,000 scholarship that will be awarded to the player who showed these qualities every day and every game. The player who dedicated himself to the team, to Stahl Post, and to The American Legion, will be announced and a certificate and our check will be awarded by the Anderson Family in memory of Bob.

A great big THANK YOU to all of you who made our July 4th Family Picnic a great success. To all the volunteers, you all ROCK!!! To everyone who helped to set up and take down, THANK YOU!!! And to all those who donated to the School Supplies table THANKS A MILLION!!! In the next couple of weeks, we will be handing over all your donations to local schools and districts. Once again you all show that Stahl Post cares and wants to help our communities grow and learn. THANK YOU ALL for your generosity and support.

If you haven't been by the post in the last couple weeks you should stop by and check out the awards, plaques, and certificates hauled in by the Legion, Auxiliary, and Sons from our recent conventions. As you all have heard me say many times, membership is EVERYONE's responsibility, and everyone should be committed to bringing in at least one new member each year. Because of the commitment made by Stahl Post Family members, we all exceeded our membership goals during the 2023-2024 year. Thank you to everyone who took part in bringing in a new member or two, and for helping Stahl Post to grow. Special thanks to everyone in leadership positions for keeping Membership as a top priority in your meetings and activities. If anyone has a glass display case they are not using, or know where we can get one, we would love to put it on in the canteen to show off our awards everyday. Let me know if you know of one ASAP, please. BTW... New Membership cards are in for each group, and we are already starting to hand out Early Bird stamps. Get your 2025 membership now and get your Early Bird stamp.

FYI.... The American Legion Oratorical team is getting ramped up to get more participation in this very worthy program. If you are an active member and have a son, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter in high school, they are eligible to take part in the Oratorical competition and win scholarship funds at the Post, District, Department, and National levels. The competition will take place in March 2025, but the committee will be reaching out to high schools in each district areas starting in October. Make sure your offspring get the chance to take part in this program and, if they win, save you some college money.

In case you have not seen it, the new smokers shed was installed earlier in July and what a great shed it is. Special thanks to Mo Williams for his research and commitment to get it installed. BTW, we are raffling off a LARGE basket of cheer to help us pay for this investment in our post and post family. Tickets for the basket can be purchased at the canteen. You can also see the basket and all its contents there as well.

We have begun training on the new Point of Sale system this week. Several bartenders have already started running test transactions and I am learning the back-office operations as we begin to modernize our accounting and inventory programs. We are planning now to implement the new system on September 1st for both the canteen and for the hall. The new system will allow us to become much more efficient in running transactions, accounting, and maintaining inventory. Also, as a reminder, there will be a slight price increase along with the installation of the new POS system. As we revealed several months ago, Stahl Post has not passed along a price increase in more than 5 years and this small increase will help us to continue to remain competitive and keep service at a high level.

If you haven't grabbed one yet, Stahl post has t-shirts for sale. We have three colors, Navy Blue, Maroon, and Red, sizes from small to

XXXL, as well as a few children's' sizes. All for \$12 each. Stop by and pick up a couple while they are here. We will be looking at selections of hoodies for the cooler months we may see in our future. More to come.

As a reminder, we have created a new Muster Book for everyone to sign for the upcoming year. If you had a numbered door card from our Jackson Avenue days and want to keep that number for the muster log, you MUST come in and sign the new Muster Log at the canteen. Starting September 1st, we will open any unclaimed numbers to all members to sign up. Remember, there are only 500 numbers, and you MUST have a current signature in the muster log to sign into the daily and weekly musters.

In case you may have not noticed, our Facebook page has been down for the last week or so. It appears we were hacked by some unknown infidel and Meta decided to shut us down. Eli is working on getting us back online and getting us back into the social media world. Of course, this leads into me asking for more help in managing our social media presence. We definitely need help to take our place in the world of social media to help us communicate with you, publicize events, and build membership. If any of you have good social media skills and are willing to give a little time to keeping us in the 21st century, please check with me. I would love to have a social presence on all the communication apps out there to show the world what Stahl Post is doing and to help us reach out to younger veterans and service members.

Keep an eye out through this newsletter for upcoming events and promotions. Our team is hard at work to put together memorable events, meals, and parties for all of us.

Not much has come from the Department over the last few weeks. Most of them are away at council, training, and vacation but I am sure we will start seeing more information from them

soon. I was able to capture some information from our representative for your reading pleasure.

We are looking for 10 Stahl Post Members to re-establish the Stahl Post Legion Riders group. These 10 members will be designated as the Charter Member group and be authorized to wear a special patch. Stahl Riders members can come from all Legion, Auxiliary and Sons. Jim Focht and I met with the Department Director and we are ready to take the next step to charter our Shal Riders group. We need 10 members to organize leadership, write the bylaws and establish Department representatives. The primary requirement is the Rider **MUST** be a member of Stahl Post, own a motorcycle license, See Jim or I for additional details and to get started.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Canteen for volunteers to help support the 166th AirWing during their Family Day exercises on September 8th, 2024. We need a total of 65 volunteers who will work the event to allow the soldiers to spend the day with their families. We will be doing this in partnership with the VFW and the VA. I will also be asking other Legion Posts in NCC district to assist in this venture. But I would LOVE if Stahl Post represented here. This will be a great way to interact with and support the military and their families and of course pick up some new members. Details are on the sign-up sheet.

See You at The Post,
Sal

**WE SUPPORT OUR
MILITARY**



**From the office of Rep. Lisa Blunt
Rochester;**

My office is hosting another Constituent Resource Fair on Thursday, August 15, 2024, from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Wilmington University New Castle Campus in the Audrey K. Doberstein Admissions Center! Last year, more than 40 federal and state agencies, non-profits, and community organizations helped hundreds of Delawareans at our Fair. So, whether you're having an issue with a federal agency or are looking for some community resources – we hope you can make it!

I'm also excited to share that my office will be hosting our next mobile office hours at the Delmar Public Library on Tuesday, August 27, 2024. Members of the casework team will be on hand to assist Delawareans who need help with federal agencies including passport and visa processing, securing your Social Security benefits, and getting your tax refund from the IRS.

Take the Challenge!

The 2024 Congressional App Challenge is under way! This is a great opportunity for students interested in STEM to use their skills to solve the issues of today and tomorrow. Applications will be accepted now through October 24, 2024. To find out more info on how to sign up, please visit my website. You can also check out when I visited last year's winners at their school to see one of the innovative projects first-hand.



Notes From The Adjutant

By Frank Clymer

The 2024-25 membership is just beginning after the Department Convention was held July 11-13, 2024. National will soon be sending renewal notices to all members. There are three ways to renew your membership. The dues for 2024-25 are \$50.00. First, stop by the Post at 156A N. Dupont Hwy. and drop it off. While you are there, you can check out upcoming events and have a beverage of your choice. Next, mail it in to the above address with membership number in the notes on the check. Lastly, you can renew on-line at Mylegion.org, and it will be transmitted from National to the Post. Again, I want to remind everyone that the muster registry and door card system are two separate functions since we installed the electronic locks. If you currently have a muster number, you must stop by the Post and sign the new muster registry to keep this number. On September 1, 2024, any numbers that are not signed for will be left open for anyone to use. So, if you have a number that has special meaning to you, please stop by the Post as soon as possible to get your signature in. Moving forward, every September 1, you will need to resign the registry to keep your number. On the door card issue. You must stop by the Post to sign up for a door entry card. We will not send them in the mail. Also, if you lose your card, there will be a \$10.00 charge to receive a new one. Lastly, I would like to ask all building tradesmen, old and young, to contact me by email at: adjutant@stahlpost30.org or at 320-419-7931, so we can start building a database of contact information for people who can manage the inevitable problems around the Post. HVAC, plumbing, electric and all other trades are welcome to pitch in with either their labor or expertise. This a relatively new building, but, as you know, issues will pop up. Let us all be

proud of the building that we have wanted down at the ballfield since the '70s.

In Comradeship
Frank Clymer
Post Adjutant



SALS

By Tom Campbell

LAST MEETING

Tuesday, July 16th, 2024, 6:30pm

NEXT MEETING(S)

Tuesday, August 20th, 2024, 6:30pm General Membership

Feeling energetic? Get involved and make a difference. If you have ideas, we are always looking for people to get involved, so bring your ideas and suggestions to the meeting.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Membership for 2025 is now open and can be paid by stopping into the canteen to or mail your payment to the address below.

You can mail your renewal to:
American Legion Stahl Post 30
Attn. SALS
156 A DuPont Highway
New Castle, DE 19720

In the past key cards have been associated with the number used to sign up for the muster drawing. We no longer need to change the cards as we have done in the past, since the cards can be disabled if dues are not paid on time. So please stop by and sign up to have a door entry card made for you. We will not send them in the mail. We have instituted a new system for the Muster registry only. To keep your number that you have now, or get a

number, if this is your first time. You must stop by the Post and sign the registry by September 1st of each year, or your number will be vacated and left for someone to take. For the members who have a special number, this is the only way to guarantee you can keep it.

BAR MINGO / DJ

is set for September 14th hosted by DJ Wes The Worst DJ Ever. Event to be held in the Canteen from 6-10pm. Event will include Bar Mingo, DJ, and for those who like to dance bring your dancing shoes. Best thing of all is there will be no charge for members to play Bar Mingo and will receive a prize if you are a winner. Food will be available, so come out and have a good time and get something to eat.

SHRIMP DINNER

Next shrimp night is set for September 20th from 5:30pm to 8:30pm or until sold out. dinner. Bring your dancing shoes as DJ Wes The Worst DJ Ever will be providing the music. Remember you don't have to be a member to attend the shrimp night so bring a friend with you and enjoy the evening. Hope to see you there!!

It's ok if you can't make shrimp night in September just mark your calendar as October 20th will be shrimp night on October 18th.

BASEBALL

Your Stahl Post baseball team completed the 2024 regular season with a 16-6 record and the #1 seed for the State Tournament. Stahl Post 30 was the host for the 2024 State Tournament, and many may already know, but for those who don't the baseball team lost to Delvets in the championship game of the tournament. I would personally like to thank everyone for the support not only during the tournament but throughout out the season. It's great to see everyone come together for the baseball team. There were many compliments from opposing teams and parents on how Post 30 supports the baseball team and Legion Baseball. So again, I say

THANK YOU !!! and look forward to next season. **Baseball Scholarship** - as many of you have already heard, we celebrated our baseball team on Wednesday July 31st at 6PM in our Lawruk Hall and awarded the very first Bob Anderson Memorial Scholarship Award to the player(s) on the team who displayed the qualities of baseball players Bob loved the most. I would like to thank the legion family for putting this award together in remembrance of COACH BOB.



Auxiliary

By Lisa Prosachik

Hey hey hey, it's August already! Get out, Really!?? It sure has been a scorcher of a summer, and we have this month to get through yet. I'm ready for Fall ya'll. The Aux. have a few events coming up. Get out your pens, I'll wait..... OK now we are talking! And away we go!

MEETINGS:

Our August meeting will be held Wednesday, August 7th, starting at 6:30pm. The September meeting is to be held September 4th, again starting at 6:30pm. We will have a news blast sent out if anything changes.

We are certainly hoping you can attend at least one of the meetings. It would be awesome to see you at both meetings. You will find out much information about what's going on with the Aux. Meetings are a great way of passing on *communication*.

ALL YOU CAN EAT ANNUAL CRAB FEAST:

Date: September 6th
 Tickets: \$55.00 per person
 Tickets will go on sale: August 1st
 Time: 5pm - 8pm

Your ticket includes all you can eat crabs, French fries, corn on the cob and fried chicken. For your drinking pleasure, draft beer and soda. Stormin' Norman' will be providing the entertainment for the evening.

There will be limited tickets available for purchase at the door.

Bring your bib and dancing shoes for a night of FUN! 🕺🕴



GARAGE SALE:

To be held on **September 28th rain or shine.**

Time: 9am - 2pm

Will take place in the Legion Hall and the great outdoors.

TABLES: \$10.00 for members \$15.00 for non-members

CRAFT FAIR: 🎅🌲

We love this event!

The craft fair will be held on October 27th.

Come on in at 9:00am, doors close at 2:00pm

Food available for purchase.

Bring your shopping bags and wear your sneakers!

Looking for vendors and crafters. TABLES MEMBERS: \$25.00 NON-MEMBERS \$35.00

Also, if you find yourself in a baking mood, we are always in need of donations for our bake table.

Thank you in advance!!!

ONGOING:

We are continuing to collect items for the VA food pantry as well as clothing for the St. Francis Hospital ER.

SHUFFLEBOARD:

It's that time already. The mixed shuffleboard league begins on **Monday, September 9th.**

NEEDED.....The mixed league is looking for a gentleman wanting to play on a team. If this sounds like something you would be interested in doing, please give the bartender your name and how you can be reached. We are always looking for substitutes to play, men and women. The schedule for the mixed league will be available as soon as we have enough players.

Thank you!!

Stay safe and enjoy the rest of the summer!

Support the VA Medical Center Food Pantry

The collection box is located in the foyer of the Canteen to collect non-perishable food items for the VA MC Food Pantry. A list of eligible non-perishable items will be posted. On the 4th Monday of each month all items will be gathered and transported to the VA Medical Center. The Food Pantry is a huge help to our Veterans who will be able to 'shop' at no cost.

If we all do a little, we can accomplish a lot!



Important Appeal

If you suspect a veteran whom you know to be suicidal, please—make a resolute effort to persuade that veteran to seek professional help by calling the Veterans Crisis Line.

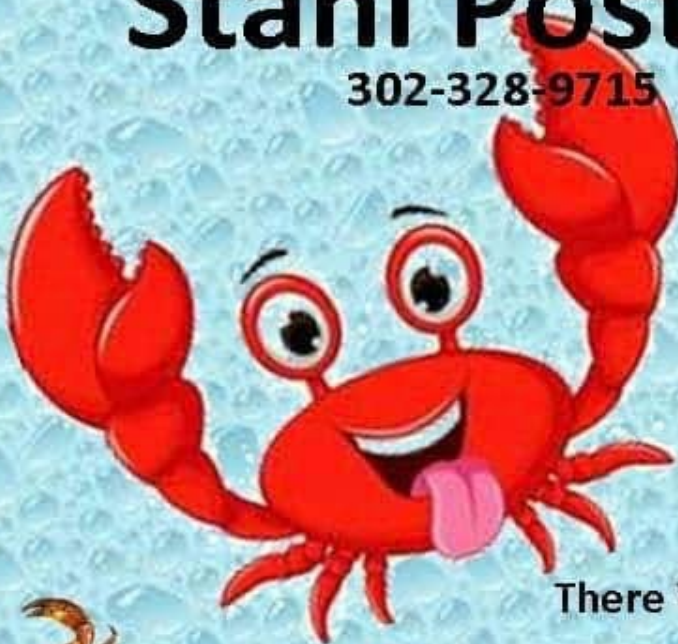
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CRAB FEAST

Stahl Post 30

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Friday
September 6, 2024
5:00pm - 8:00 pm

There Will Be A Bake Table
And 50/50



Last Chance to
Purchase
Tickets Will Be
Sept 2nd

We will also have
Fried Chicken
&
Corn on the Cob

All You Can Eat
#1 Crabs, Fries
Draft Beer
Miller & Coors Light

Sponsored by: The Auxiliary



\$55.00 per Ticket / \$65 at the Door

August

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5 Country Line Dancing	6	7 Auxiliary Meeting 6:30PM	8 Game Night	9	10
11	12 Country Line Dancing	13 Legion Meeting 7:00PM	14	15 Game Night	16	17
18	19 Country Line Dancing	20 SALS Meeting 6:30PM	21	22 Game Night	23	24
25	26 Country Line Dancing	27	28	29 Game Night	30	31
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