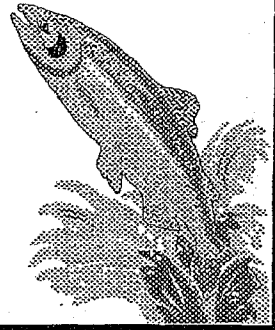




# THE SALMON CREEK POST



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#### COMMANDERS NOTES:

"Lady Bell" , our landmark UH-1B helicopter is moving soon. Strips of land on both the south and west sides of our property has been sold to Clark County for road changes. The helicopter will be at Mike Harding's shop for a few days for refurbishment and repainting, then erected on a higher pedestal on the VA Complex grounds near the Vietnam Peace Garden adjacent to the planned museum. At her final location, she will be visible from the I-5 North. We hope to have her at the VA Complex by 1:30 PM, September 15, 2007 for a major POW-MIA event and Re-Dedication. Although the primary costs of the move will be provided by Clark County, some monies are needed. Donations and checks for the project may be given to Peggy, our General Manager. Volunteers are requested to contact Mike Harding: [michael.harding@comcast.net](mailto:michael.harding@comcast.net).

Plan now to attend our annual picnic scheduled for Saturday, August 11, 2007. The picnic will also be our August meeting.

#### POST HOURS

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY 9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM

THURSDAY and FRIDAY 10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

Our new officers have assumed their responsibilities following the State Convention in mid-July. Please express thanks to those members that have volunteered to serve.

Committee Chairman vacancies 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 Activities. It is easy to volunteer, just send me an e-mail message at the Post 176 website or call.

Salmon Creek Post 176 is now a collection location for items for:

"Give2TheTroops.org" .

Give 2 the Troops prepares and sends packages to "America's armed forces in combat zones around the world". Visit their website: [www.Give2TheTroops.org](http://www.Give2TheTroops.org) or pick up a flyer at the Post, then buy and bring items on the flyer for donation.

Pipers are available to be part of memorial services for our Veterans and Legionnaires. Annette A. Allen, 360-254-3846, cell 503-201-4347, one of our longtime members, also a piper, reminded us at our July meeting that pipers are honored to be a part of appropriate ceremonies. Contact may be made with those who play bag pipes through the Fort Vancouver Pipe Band, The Scottish Country Shop, and River City Pipe Band. Donations to the Piper are appropriate to defer their personal expense.

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

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

### Finance Officer: Phil Yasson:

**Legion Riders:** The Executive Committee has accepted the American Legion Riders Group as an activity of our post. Any American Legion member in good standing (Dues up to date) can join the Riders Group. The original group of Legion Riders prepared the eligibility requirements. To become a member, you must own your own motorcycle with an engine of at least 350 cc displacement; have a valid driver's license in the state of your residence. The Legion Riders must also maintain proof of insurance coverage for collision, medical, damage and liability insurance as required by the state and local laws and any additional insurance required by the sponsoring American Legion Post. To join, call Bill Frederick at 896-1428.

Come on out and enjoy a meal and a game of bingo. Our manager and staff have come up with some new bonus games that have been gaining a lot of attention among our bingo customers. If you are a single winner on certain games, you get to pick a number one, two or three ball. Each ball is worth a bonus amount of dollars that you get in addition to the monetary value of the game. If you are not familiar with playing bingo, our staff will assist you until you are comfortable. We have paper bingo cards and electronic machines. The electronic machines let you sit back and relax while it does all your calculations for you. We also have pull-tab games with money for the winning tickets and some games for prizes. I recently won a remote controlled helicopter. If the wind ever dies down, it may get removed from the box it came in and we will really see if it flies.

The 2008 membership cards are now available for purchase. We already have 170 members with 2008 cards. See Phil Yasson for a direct purchase, or come by the manager's office and save the .41 cents postage. Dues are \$40.00 payable before December 31st. If you are at the end of a five year

I will give you a bonus of an American Flag, and an American Legion Decal to display from the inside of your car window. If you are interested in becoming a Paid-U-For-Life (PUFL) member give me a call and I will quote the cost to you.

Phil Yasson.

**GENERAL MANAGER: Peggy Brooks**

August 22, 2007

Bingo will be having their annual August Special Event. This year the theme is: "HAWAIIAN DAYS"

Please join us for a exciting day of bingo games, BQ, and prizes. All prizes are on display at the Post. Stop by the and buy a Raffle ticket for \$1.00 and join us for a day of FUN - BQ - RAFFLE - AND BINGO!!

### LIFE LINE SCREENING

A preventive healthcare ultrasound screening will be held at The American Legion Post on Sept-tember 27th.

Screenings Recommended for Ages 40 +

Pre-registration is a must. Space is limited-Schedule Early- Call 1-800-324-1851 to schedule your appointment.

### EVENT SCHEDULE:

August 11- Post Picnic 11: AM to 3: PM  
@ The American Legion Post

August 25 - Legion Riders Rummage Sale  
@ The American Legion Post parking lot. \$ 15.00 space rental.

August 23 - Executive Board Meeting  
@ 6 PM

## THE ANNUAL POST PICNIC

AUGUST 11, 2007 HERE AT THE POST!

STARTS @ 11 am FOR SOCIAL HOUR!

LUNCH @ NOON AND A DRAWING @ 3 PM!

PLENTY OF FOOD, COLD DRINKS AND BEER!

PLAN TO ATTEND FOR A FUN DAY!!

## HALL RENTAL

HALL RENTAL IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

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

Post 176 members get a discount!

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

Call the Post for more information.

## HUNTER'S EDUCATION

Classes begin August 24th.

Register at the Post or e-mail  
Tom at: ovombo@msn.com

OR

Brian at: peters@pacifier.com

### BINGO HOURS:

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday

11: AM and 6:30 PM

3 # EVERY WEDNESDAY @ 2:30 PM

# AUXILIARY NEWS

August  
2007

A great month to travel, relax, take it easy, and to expect warm weather!!!

## AUXILIARY OFFICERS

2006-2007

### PRESIDENT

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### SERGEANT AT ARMS

Roberta Gapsch 573-1885

## PRESIDENT'S

Hello Ladies!

Hope all of you had a Happy 4th of July! Getting ready to go to the Convention with Thelma in Yakima. Expecting hot weather as usual. We'll let you know how everything went over there at our next meeting.

A reminder though since Convention is here next year, MEMBERSHIP DUES for the next year have been mailed out. Please send them in right away,  
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## REST STOP NEWS

At the Rest Stop in June we had very nice weather. It was sunshine, but not too hot. We also took in \$308. That is almost \$100 more than in May. I was also able to talk to two of our past members and found out they still belong to the Auxiliary, but in Oregon.

I would like to thank the following members of the Post and Unit for their help: Anita Stadey, Russell and Lucille Harwood, Gary Zilm, Ryan Collins, and Phil Yasson. Without your help, it would not have been possible. Some spent more time than others, but I did not need to be there so much.

When you hear people say, "We are glad you are here," they are. When we first started it, it was covered every day. Now it is not. So everyone who worked helped someone on the road keep alert, awake and out of an accident. Thank you again for your help. *Thelma Hathaway*

Thanks for cookies donated, too.

## MESSAGE

then you won't have to wonder if you have paid them up till next year comes around. Also, please be sure to extend an invitation to any other ladies who might want to join us.

Again thanks to those who helped Thelma with the Rest Area in giving coffee and cookies out to the visitors. Met quite a few interesting people, who really enjoyed being there.

Hope all the best for all of you during the summer months. Drive safe and have fun!

*President Anita Stadey*



## Chaplain's Comments

### Hello Friends of the Auxiliary

I'm sure you agree with me that the longest day of the year has passed. Time changes things. Our chance to do good is today.

I'll give you brief mention of two stories in the May-June National News magazine. On pages 17-19 Lt.Col.Mary Bolk says "Nursing in a war zone is the most noble and humble thing I've ever done." Read her story. It's touching. The most important advance in battlefield medicine is the use of the low-tech tourniquet.

On page 11 the headline reads "You Can't Keep a Good Man Down, Roadside Bomb Can't Stop Veteran Pursuing American Dream." Robbie Doughty career serviceman in Humvee struck by roadside bomb lost both legs, came home, was in rehab five months. Has gone on to have a Pizza business... inspiring story! (May we all help Veterans.)

## BITS OF INFORMATION

Thanks to those of you who on a hot summer night came out July 12 to enjoy a tasty ham dinner complete with vanilla ice cream and a choice of three toppings. We send along words of appreciation to the cooks for their work.

Be sure to read your Post Newsletter carefully as the picnic sounds like fun and news of summer Bingo events excites bingo fans.

Welcome back to Al and Donna Casciato who took a four week fun filled trip to Colorado Springs to attend a convention of old-time equipment enthusiasts and machine displays. The Casciatos were in several states, had safe travels with no breakdowns, and saw lots of antelope. Other highlights of their trip were visiting the Crazy Horse area, seeing Mt. Rushmore again, and learning about finishing techniques now in use on rocks.

# A U G U S T 2007

## S C A L

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11 AM & 6:30 PM