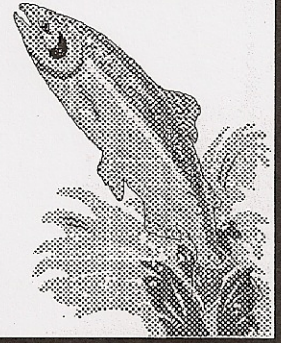




# THE SALMON CREEK POST



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John Treosti	574-5746

I want to start off by saying thanks to everyone who renewed their dues for 2014 and to the members who helped recruit new members for our Post.

All of your efforts have helped us reach the 100% renewal for the first time in years. It feels good and shows we can do what we need to do to reach a goal, but we need to keep pushing for new members so our Post can remain a strong and active Post. Again I thank all of you.

July starts the dues renewals for 2015 and it would be great to have a 100% renewal again. We can do it if you will just send in your dues when you receive your notice from Department so you don't forget about them. Your dues can also be paid on line. We had 38 members renew on line for 2014. The site is [www.legion.org/renew](http://www.legion.org/renew) and it is a secure site. Just follow the page directions when it opens. I check the site daily and send out your 2015 membership card when I see you renewed on line. I also send your membership card out the same day I receive your renewal in the mail, or if you stop by the Post to pay it, you get your card on the spot when I'm there.

<u>Board Members</u>	
Walter Remme	574-2273
Jan Wojciechowski	573-3230
Jonathan Frederick	576-9078

On the left side of this page are the people who are your Officers for the next year and who are looking forward to serving your needs. Call any one of them and talk to them or come to the Membership meetings and meet them. Give them the support they need as some of them are first time Officers. I appreciate them volunteering to serve and many thanks go out to them. They are a start on getting new people on the job but now we need more members to step up and volunteer to help out at the Post.

### POST HOURS

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

CLOSED - FRIDAY - SATURDAY - SUNDAY

## HISTORIAN

There is no Membership meeting in July because of the Department Convention, which happens every year. This year it is at the Hilton in Vancouver on the 16th through the 19th of July. We have three delegates from our Post representing all of us this year. They will have information on the happenings of the Convention at our next Membership meeting so come and be filled in on what is going on with our Department. We also have a pot luck at 6pm before our membership meeting at 7pm. There is always a lot of food so come and eat, bring something if you want to, and stay for the meeting. The executive board will still meet on the third Thursday at 6pm at the Post.

The Legion picnic will be held at the Post on the 9th of August, starting at noon. The picnic will take the place of the August Membership meeting. There will be food and drinks provided by the Post. Bring your favorite bar-b-que food to share if you want to. I believe there will be drawings for some prizes our Sgt-at-Arms is picking up. Don't know what or how many there will be, but come and your ticket may be drawn for one of them. Good food and drinks and an opportunity to see some old friends and rehash some bygone times.

We have had the floor by the North door repaired and there is a nice new set of doors in place of the ones that have been there forever, and which should have been replaced a long time ago. They are double pane, low 'e'. They should help us save some energy money now that the wind can no longer blow through the opening between the old doors.

Our heating and cooling systems are on a contract with Entech to keep them working. They come and do the preventative maintenance every three months. Most of the parts needed to keep them in running condition and the labor are covered.

The Walgreens deal through Visconsi is pretty much on track for a possible ground breaking towards the end of this year. They missed the "due diligence" date so they had to add \$10,000.00 into the earnest money account. They have stated that they are "rounding third" on getting it done. There is/was a lot of things they had to do to get everything approved before construction can start. It has been an interesting experience going through the sale.

Gary Zilm  
Post 176 Commander

Post 176 now has a Facebook page. If you have a Facebook page already, you can merely conduct a search for American Legion Post 176. Our page will pull up under the search criteria. Right now it's still under construction so keep that in mind when you are viewing it for the next several weeks. Please LIKE the page so you can follow it and stay informed of activities and other informative posts. If you have something to share on the page then please do so. We all benefit from the information in some way. If there are links or other things that you would like to see on our page, then please let me know by sending a message through the Post 176 page.

Have you told your story? And I don't mean your war stories, but the story of your service. I'd like to begin highlighting our members by featuring a short story on our Facebook page. If you're interested in becoming one of the featured members, please send a message through the Post 176 page or e-mail me at [kjtamu86@gmail.com](mailto:kjtamu86@gmail.com). And even if you're not interested I'm probably going to ask some of you anyway.

Kelly Jones  
Post 176 Historian

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Some people want to sit at the front of the bus, at the back of the Church, and want to be the center of attention.

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## BINGO

Our July Specials will be \$25.00 Monitor on Monday Afternoons & Tuesday Evenings.  
We also usually have some unadvertised specials.

Wednesday Afternoons  
Game 20 payout is \$1000.00

Wednesday Evenings  
Game 20 payout is \$1199.00

For the first time ever at our Post, last month we tried a new type of Bingo known as Cosmic Bingo. We had all the lights out and were only lit by "black lights". The packets and the daubers were all black light sensitive and everyone had a fun time. We are planning to do it again. Call and find out when then join us in the fun and bring a friend. The Public is always welcome.

We also have a kitchen that makes some good food.

Hot August Nights happens on August 20th.

Our hours are Mon-Tue-Wed at 11am & 6:30pm

Cora Lane  
Post 176 Bingo Manager

HI LORD,

It's me. We are getting older and things are getting bad here and each day it gets harder to hold up under things.

Gas prices are to high, no jobs and food and heating costs are so high. Housing is almost at the point of being unaffordable, which is evident by all the homeless we have in America. Crime and gangs are taking over in some areas. It is almost unsafe to send our children to school for fear there may be another shooting and one of them may not come home. Getting medical help is a nightmare for so many when it was once a simple thing to do.

I know some have taken you out of our schools, government and even Christmas and others are trying to take your name off of our money and out of our pledge of allegiance. Some are trying to make it illegal for our Chaplains to even pray to you in our military. The leadership of our country is trying to take away what was formed by our founding fathers and built on their faith in you.

LORD, I'm asking you to come back and re-bless America. To help us put you back into control so our America can really belong to you again. So our Flag can be respected again and it is all right to pray anywhere at anytime. That we can say "Merry Christmas" and display our Nativity without having to apologize to anybody. There are more of us who want you than those who don't LORD, and we really need YOU to come back.

I know you are a loving and forgiving GOD and that is what our country needs. Your forgiveness and the power YOU have to fix things.

Thank you LORD, I love you.  
Amen.  
Gary

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There is going to be a car show in the Post parking lot on the 11th of July at 3pm and go until 9pm. There will be food and drinks for sale. Last year there were about 40 or so cars that showed up. Bring your classic, hot rod or restored car to show. No entry fee is being charged. Just come and enjoy some nice cars. (Bring your camera).

## BINGO DAYS & HOURS

Mon - Tue - Wed, 11am & 6:30pm

For your enjoyment we offer Pulltabs on the same days and times as BINGO.

Our kitchen is open at 9:30am for the first session and at 5:00pm for the second session on the same days and times as BINGO.

We have a staff we are very proud of and we would like you to meet them and say "Hello". They truly are the BEST and they will do whatever they can to help you.

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We are again offering the Halls and the Parking Lot for activities that you may want to use them for. Call us at 360-573-2331 and tell us what you want to do. If you don't get an answer right away, leave your number and we will do our best to set up your activity.