



# The Argonne Newsletter

**January – February, 2023**

**The American Legion – Argonne Post 56 - PO Box 532, Sherwood, Oregon 97140**

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### **Sgt. at Arms**

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### **E-Board**

*The E-board consists of the Officers listed above plus the following:*

Gary Gibbons  
Jim Edy  
Ed Contreras

### **Membership Committee**

Bill Middleton  
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503-816-0549

## ***From the Commander***

At the beginning of a new year, I like to look forward to what we could do to improve our Post building and property, and look at creating new or improved activities that would increase attendance and membership. I believe these types of discussions should be made among all three membership groups of our Post, Legionnaires, SAL and the Auxiliary. To this end the E-Board is holding a Special Meeting on Thursday January 19, 7:00 p.m., inviting all the Officers of the SAL and Auxiliary and any Post member to attend. I hope to see a large attendance.

*Thank you, Darrell Crawford, Commander*

## ***From the Adjutant***

Once again, my emphasis is on renewing your membership. We are ordering new key cards for the front door. You must have a 2023 Membership Card to be eligible for a key card.

*Thank you, Joe Martin, Adjutant*

## ***Back Yard Cleanup***

Brian Berryhill and his SAL team conducted two big backyard cleanups. The first one was mid fall where they removed a tree, planted a new one and hauled off the debris. In late fall they cleaned the gutters, trimmed trees and bushes and hauled all the leaves and debris away. Thank you SAL, for all your hard work, it's very much appreciated.



**SAL work crew, L to R: Brett, Tony, Les, Brian, Levi, Seth and John**

## ***From the Second Vice***

If you read the most recent Gazette article by our incoming Mayor, you may have noticed that he did not mention the upgraded Veterans Memorial to be placed in the current Veterans Memorial Park. This was surprising since he is one of the few Veterans to serve as Mayor. Lack of support from the last Mayor was expected since he has shown a lack of respect to our members in the past. The last City Manager also showed little interest in the project, and the current City Manager has not contacted any member of the Post for information on the memorial plans.

Our Post had a committee that helped write the grant and design the project. This design was accepted by the State and awarded funds for the project. The project was supported by the Elks Lodge and the former President of Rotary, Chuck Britton, along with numerous citizens. The city, with no input from the Post, changed the project to a fraction of its size. We still supported the project. It was sent to the Recreation Board who did not even seek input from the Post and made even more changes.

Our city has lost Sherwood soldiers in every war including Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan. It is not too much to ask that they be remembered. Our city has done many other projects such as the skate park and the newest trail which are assets to all of its citizens. The Mayor's proposals are all worthwhile for safety. However, I would rather my grandchildren go to the library instead of buying candy at Rainbow Market, as the Mayor mentioned as a justification for the safety project mentioned in the article--do read the Mayor's article in the Gazette. Would any of these projects even be possible if we were not afforded the freedoms preserved by our veterans?

In our last contact with the city, we were told no contractors bid on the project. We have no idea what the contract consisted of or how hard the city really pushed to get it done. It is time that the city stood up for those who keep our country free and honor those who have sacrificed all.

*Thank you, Bill Middleton, Second Vice*



**Auxiliary Officers**

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**From the Auxiliary President**

Hello all, I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and are off to a pleasant start to the new year. I'd like to start off with giving a big thanks to everyone who took a tag from our Giving Tree and brought back presents for the children of local veterans. We started off with helping 15 families with over 40 children, and by the end of the toy drive ended up helping 20 families and 60 children! On top of toys, each family was given a box of food or gift cards for groceries.

I'm very proud to see all the efforts put forth to ensure these veterans and their families didn't go without during the holiday season!! Thank you to the Sherwood Elks for donating the food boxes and their extra toys, it helped immensely!!!

I can't say enough about the recognition the Auxiliary ladies deserve who worked so hard to make this all happen. I'm very grateful to those who went and picked up toys from KGW, spent time sorting everything, putting all the bags/boxes together, delivering toys/food boxes and helping load everything on pickup day!

I hope to see you at the first Taco Tuesday of the new year on January 10th, 5pm!!!

*Sincerely,*  
*Unit 56 Auxiliary President Mikkinsy Saling*



**Auxiliary President Mikkinsy Saling**



**Auxiliary ladies sorting toys. From L to R: Mikkinsy Saling, Rebecca Fairbanks, Ardis Snyder, Sydney, Diane and Georgia DeLozier**



**Auxiliary ladies that loaded two vans, one from our Post, one from KGW-TV. L to R: Malia Jasmer, Jill BeHuniz, from Camp Withycombe, Mikkinsy Saling and Rebecca Fairbanks**

**A Little Home Improvement**

Legion member Nick Peters just happened to have some stainless steel shelving that he donated for much needed shelving in our kitchen dishwasher area. Nick purchased the plywood and shelf brackets needed, and he and fellow Legion member Chris Garcia did the installation. Our dishwasher area is now much more organized. Thank you, Nick and Chris, for all your hard work.



**Save the Dates**

- Jan 10 Taco Tuesday, 5:00
- Jan 19 Special E-Board Open Meeting, 7:00
- Jan 28 Trivia with Potluck, 7:00
- Feb 12 Super Bowl Party, 2:00
- Feb 14 Taco Tuesday, 5:00
- Feb 25 Triva with Potluck. 7:00

## January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 New Year's Day	2	3	4 Auxiliary Meeting 6:00 p.m.	5 Mikkinsky's Pizza 4:30 Legion Meeting 7:00 p.m.	6 Friday Night Potluck 6:00 p.m.	7
8	9	10 Taco Tuesday 5:00 SAL Meeting 6:00 p.m.	11	12 Mikkinsky's Pizza 4:30	13 Friday Night Potluck 6:00 p.m.	14
15	16 Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday	17	18	19 Mikkinsky's Pizza 4:30 Special E-Board Open Meeting 7:00 p.m.	20 Friday Night Potluck 6:00 p.m.	21
22	23	24	25	26 Mikkinsky's Pizza 4:30	27 Friday Night Potluck 6:00 p.m.	28 Trivia with Potluck 7:00 p.m.
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## February 2023

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**Trivia Is Back**

**The Last Saturday of the Month 7:00**

**It's a Potluck**

**Prizes for the winning teams**

**Mikkinsy's Pizza**

**Our bartender Mikkinsy is providing Pizza  
every Thursday beginning at 4:30.**

**\$1.00 per slice**

**New Event !!!**

**Friday Night Potluck**

**Come Join the Fun**

**Every Friday 6:00 p.m.**

Hang out with friends, play pool and  
shuffle board and enjoy some  
casual food.

Please bring food to share

**Super Bowl Party**

**Chili/Soup Cook Off**

**Sunday February 12th**

**Bring your special Chili or  
Soup to share. Judging at**

**2:00 p.m. and game**

**kickoff is at about 3:30**