



# The Argonne Newsletter

**November - December, 2023**

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

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The Post Opens: Mon-Sat 3:30 and Sunday 1:30

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## **E-Board**

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

Gary Gibbons  
Jim Edy  
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## *From the Commander*

The season is changing and the leaves are starting to fall and the cool air and rain feels good. We certainly needed the rain to green everything up.

Our Remembrance Dinner was held on September 18<sup>th</sup>. It was a wonderful event with Brian Berryhill and the SAL team, with help from the Auxiliary, who served a great dinner. Auxiliary Chaplain Tess Kies McDowell, read a prayer that included the names of the 11 Post 56 members that passed in the last year. Thank you to all that helped make this event so special.

Fun social activities continue with Trivia Night/Potluck becoming very popular with attendance of between 30 and 45. Our annual Halloween Costume party is coming up on October 28th and on November 11th our Veterans' Day Dinner which is free to all Post 56 members who have paid their 2024 dues. After the dinner the popular band Digtown, who entertained us earlier this year, will be playing for your listening and dancing pleasure.

We have been very busy finishing up our four major improvement projects, two of which have been completed and the other two will be soon. The following is an update:

**Paint Outside of Building and Shed** – The painters, Ron Taylor Painting of Sherwood, completed the project the first week of October and it turned out great. Everyone loves the new colors – what an improvement!



**Post 56 with New Paint**

**Front Yard Sign Replacement** – The two posts and plywood backing that hold the sign have been painted and PDX Wraps will have the sign completed by the 27<sup>th</sup> of October. (cont. above)

## *Commander (cont.)*

By the time you read this newsletter the sign will be installed. A photo will be in the next newsletter.

**Events Sign Replacement** – We received the LED Sign and First Vice Nick Peters with the help of Historian Chris Garcia built the angle iron frame bracket that holds the sign, which they mounted to the building. Nick and Chris will mount the sign by mid November and it will be operating shortly after. A photo will be in the next newsletter.

**Kitchen Storage and Food Serving Project** – The cabinets and quartz counter tops were installed mid September and they look fantastic. The counter top will work perfect for the various potlucks and other food events we have. We are now organizing the drawers and shelves with items from the kitchen such as silverware, coffee cups, salt and pepper etc., and various cleaning supplies that will free up valuable space in the kitchen.

Wishing everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and wonderful Holidays with family and friends.

*Thank you, Phil Morton, Commander*



**New Cabinets & Counter Top in the Main Hall**

**Veterans' Day November 11th**  
**Every Day is Veterans' Day at the**  
**American Legion**

We at the American Legion honor our veterans every day. Let us always remember those veterans who have given their lives for our country. Let us also remember all the veterans who long after they stopped wearing their military uniforms, and their service obligations may have expired, their love of country has endured.



**Auxiliary Officers**

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**Sgt at Arms**

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**Historian**

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**From the Auxiliary President**

Taco Tuesdays are on the second Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. They have been doing very well and I'd like to thank all the volunteers for making this event so successful. All profits from Taco Tuesday go towards the Girls State program so please come and help support such an amazing program for young girls in our community!

Another event that is becoming very popular is Trivia Night / Potluck. The food is always very good and all the Trivia Teams have a great time. If you haven't played, put a team together and give it a try. In November Trivia Night will be on Saturday the 18th and there will be no Trivia in December.

Our annual Christmas Toy Drive is coming up and we will have the Toy Drive tags up on the Christmas tree at the beginning of December. The tags show the age of the child and the type of gift they want from Santa. We are asking that all gifts be unwrapped, with the tags attached, and be returned no later than December 14th. We will be working with Camp Withycombe, a National Guard training facility, again this year, helping active duty, reservists, Veterans and their families with toys, clothes and food for the Christmas Holidays. If anyone knows of a Veteran in need, please ask them to contact me directly for assistance at 503-747-9441.

For all members, please remember to pay your dues before the end of the year, online or at the Post.

I hope everyone has a safe and very Merry Christmas! Cheers to 2023 and best wishes for 2024!

*Mikkinsy Saling, Auxiliary President*

**Meet Our New Bartender Courtney**

Courtney James grew up in West Linn. She completed her bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Oregon and Portland State University, respectively. Courtney and her husband Chris moved to Sherwood in 2006 to start a family. Courtney, Chris, and their daughter Josie have enjoyed their years living the Sherwood life! Josie is currently a sophomore at Sherwood High School.



Courtney wears many hats... In addition to bartending, she is a substitute teacher at Sherwood's elementary schools and also works as an office manager for a financial compliance officer. When she is not working Courtney enjoys watching Josie play tournament softball and spending time with her family and friends. Courtney has appreciated the very warm welcome from the members of the Legion!

**Veterans' Day Dinner/Dance**  
**Saturday November 11th**



**Join us for our annual Veterans' Day Dinner and listen and dance to the sounds of**

**Digtown. We are serving our famous spaghetti served with salad, garlic bread and dessert.**

**Dinner at 5:30 and Digtown plays from 7 to 9**

**Get your 2024 dues paid by November 11 and your dinner is free for all Legion, SAL and Auxiliary Members. Bring your family and friends as guests for \$7.00 a plate.**

**Post 56 Adopts a Road**

Post 56 signed up to the Adopt-A-Road Program in Sherwood to clean Langer Farms Pkwy (Oregon St. to Century St.) for approaching two years. This is an anti-litter campaign intended to build civic pride in a litter-free Sherwood. It allows citizens to work in partnership with the city by "adopting" a segment

of roadway and agreeing to keep it clean. This program offers individuals and organizations an inexpensive way to contribute to their community and generate publicity for their efforts. Every participant in this program makes a positive impact on the



appearance of the road system and their community. The participants service the road segment a minimum of four times a year. If you would like to help clean, please email Bill Middleton at [wmiddleton70@yahoo.com](mailto:wmiddleton70@yahoo.com).

*Thank you, Bill Middleton 2nd Vice*

## November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Auxiliary Meeting 6:00 p.m.	<b>2</b> Mikkinsy's Pizza 4:30 Legion Meeting 7:00 p.m.	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> Daylight Saving Time Ends	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Election Day	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Mikkinsy's Pizza 4:30	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Veterans Day Dinner and Dance at the Post. Dinner 5:30 Music 7 to 9
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Taco Tuesday 5:00 p.m. SAL Meeting 6:00 p.m.	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Mikkinsy's Pizza 4:30 E-Board Meeting 7:00 p.m.	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Trivia With Potluck 7:00 p.m.
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Thanksgiving Day Post Closed	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> Mikkinsy's Pizza 4:30		

## December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> CPR/AED Class at 9:00 to 11:30
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<b>31</b> New Year's Eve Post Open						



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**Don't Miss Our Annual  
 Christmas Party**

**Saturday, December 16, 5:00  
 Ham provided, please bring a  
 dish to share**

**Wear an Ugly Christmas  
 Sweater for the Big Contest.  
 Cash Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**UPCOMING  
 EVENTS**



**Save the Dates**

- Nov 11 Veterans Day Dinner and Dance
- Nov 14 Taco Tuesday
- Nov 18 Trivia With Potluck
- Dec 2 CPR/AED Class
- Dec 12 Taco Tuesday
- Dec 16 Christmas Party

**Be Ready - You May Need  
 to Save a Life Someday**

There will be a CPR/AED Class on Saturday December 2nd from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. There is no charge for Members or their families.