



NEWSLETTER – JULY 2018

HENNIKER AMERICAN LEGION POST 78

For God and Country

COMMANDER'S NOTES



Friends:

I hope everyone is enjoying the warm weather we've been having.

In the last newsletter there was an article about the flag retirement ceremony we held on Flag Day. I would like to address a major omission in the article. I consider the ceremony a success and one major reason was the part played by Dave Currier. Aside from Dave's usual hard work in organizing the event and logistic support he added a lot to the ceremony by playing "To the Colors" and "Taps" on his bugle. I would like to personally thank Dave for a job well done... Bravo Zulu Dave!

I'm looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Stay safe and have fun!

MEETING DATES

All meetings are held at the Henniker Community Center, 57 Main Street at 7:00pm the Third Tuesday of the month.

Tuesday, July 17, 2018

Tuesday, August 21, 2018

Tuesday, September 18, 2018

If it rains on either of these days an email notice will be sent out to everyone changing the meeting location to the Henniker Brewery as the Town Summer Concert Series moves inside into the Community Center when it rains.

AMERICAN LEGION CENTENNIAL RECOGNITION DURING NASCAR WEEKEND IN LOUDON

The American Legion's Centennial Celebration will get some special attention at the big NASCAR Race Weekend at New Hampshire Motor Speedway in Loudon from July 20-22.

During Opening Ceremonies on Friday, July 20th at approximately 1:30 p.m., an American Legion color guard will present both the American and Canadian National Colors during the singing of both national anthems. Also present for this event will be national organization's Laura Edwards, Associate Editor of the

Legion Magazine. All Department of New Hampshire Legionnaires, Auxiliary, and Sons of the American Legion are invited to this opening ceremony and the races being held that weekend. Tickets (with a discount) are available at: (cut and paste the address in your browser

oss.ticketmaster.com/aps/nhms/EN/link/promotion/home/ff3dde69cca46307b9

Use code NHLEGION18

The New Hampshire American Legion family looks forward to being a part of a special Granite State NASCAR weekend to help celebrate our organization's Centennial Year.

DISTRICT 5 SUMMER CONFERENCE

District 5 will be having their Summer Conference at Post 42 (Barnstead) on July 21st. The address is 1078 Beauty Hill Rd West, Barnstead Parade. Social hour will be at 9 am and the meeting will begin promptly at 10 am. All are welcome.

Todd Connor, District 5 Commander, 603-312-7512

2018 - POST EVENT CALENDAR

- Tuesday, July 17 meeting we are considering hosting a BBQ for members sometime in July.
- Friday, July 20 Opening Ceremonies 1:30pm, NHMS, Loudon, NH
- Saturday, July 21 District 5 Summer Conference, 9:00am Post 42 Barnstead, NH
- August 3, 4, 5 – Town of Henniker 250th Anniversary Celebration. We are looking for ideas for fund raising during these days.

● myLegion.org

We encourage all post members to create a personal profile on *myLegion.org* in the Members section. This is a free site. This will allow you to view the Post, Department and National contact information, their benefits and various publications. You will also be able to make your own address changes as well as print a copy of your membership card. You'll need your membership number to establish a profile so if

you don't know yours please email me and I sent it to you.

2018-19 ELECTED POST 78 OFFICERS

Commander: Gregg Champlin, 603 303-9054

1st Vice Commander: Doug Paul, 603 496-4578

2nd Vice Commander: Vacant

Adjutant: David Currier, 603 568-2051

Finance Officer: Maria Harding, 603 748-2724

Service Officer: Cindi Nadelman, 603 209-0922

Chaplain: John Coburn, 603 748-2390

Sgt. At Arms: Adam Burritt, 603 496-6689

Historian: Derick Pignone, 603 401-3362

Judge Advocate: Vacant

Immediate

Past Commander: Jon Hilyard, 603 732-2958

Gates open, 11:00 AM

Chili contest begins at noon

Pats Peak Ski Area

686 Flanders Rd, Henniker

There is still time to sign up to be an Amateur or Professional Chili Maker. Get more information and download application forms at www.chilnewhampshire.org.

The Henniker Rotary Club *Fire on the Mountain* Chili Fest is made possible this year by the following sponsors including Habanero Sponsors: Ayer and Goss Fuels, Davis & Towle Insurance, Dunkin' Donuts, Edmunds ACE Hardware, Henniker Veterinary Hospital and New England College as well as Jalapeno sponsors: Henniker Pharmacy, Morse Sporting Goods, TDS Telecom, Colby Hill Inn, Grappone Automotive, Henniker Family Dentistry, Henniker Crushed Stone and Merrimack County Savings Bank and Media Partners: WXRV-The River and Granite Quill Publications.



**COUNTDOWN TO
CHILI FEST
AUGUST 19, 2018**

Pair the heat in the forecast with some heat in your diet. Local restaurants face off in the professional chilimaking category, while dedicated home chefs from New Hampshire and beyond go toe-to-toe for best amateur chili chef. Sample as many of the nearly 40 chilies as you can stomach (and cast your Peoples' Choice award vote) while enjoying the fest's other offerings, including a 5K Race (to register go to: <https://www.runreg.com/fire-on-the-mountain-trail-5k>), Car Cruise In, KidZone, live music and a vendor fair featuring more than 20 specialty food and craft purveyors.

Children 12 and under \$6 Adults \$12

Noon to 4:30 PM

TEXT ALERTS FOR FLAGS AT HALF-STAFF

The American Legion is offering members, veterans and patriots the opportunity to receive text alerts when the president declares flags to be lowered to half-staff.

To receive these text alerts, simply text the word flag to 35893. You will receive a confirmation text within a few minutes.

The service is free but message and data rates may apply.

Additionally, the Legion distributes an e-newsletter when a flag proclamation is issued by the president. To sign up for the free e-newsletter, go to www.legion.org/enewsletters.

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Join us on FACE BOOK:

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