



AMERICAN LEGION POST 4
PO BOX 14
POCATELLO, ID 83204

MAY 2011

WE'RE NOW ON FACEBOOK!
www.americanlegionpost4.com

NEXT MEETING IS MAY 11, 2011

MAY 1: Blessing of the Bikes at Calvary Chapel 10:30 am.

MAY 7: 26th Annual ICMS Motorcycle Awareness Rally. Call Frank "Alias" Smith for more information.

MAY 8: HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!!!

MAY 8-10 is the anniversary of the St. Louis Caucus, which completed original organization of the Legion back in 1919. Armed Forces Day, Mother's Day and Memorial Day form the basis for good post programs and outreach to our military personnel in communities around the nation.

MAY 11: REGULAR MEETING, 7 PM AT MEMORIAL BLDG. New officers are sworn in.

MAY 13: MAC MEETING 11:30 – 1:00 PM AT MEMORIAL BLDG. Lunch \$6 donation.

AMERICAN LEGION PREAMBLE

For God and Country we associate ourselves together for the following purposes: to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in the great wars; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and goodwill on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

MAY 14: SPRING SALE!!!

Help the Kids
May 14th

spring Cleaning Sale
Fundraiser

an indoor garage sale

Bring your unwanted items for sale. Fundraiser is to help fund the Post 4 Kids Fishing Derby in August. Table space is a \$5 donation.
Lunch will be provided \$2 donation per adult.

May 14th - 10AM to 4PM
Setup 9AM
Veterans Memorial Building
300 North Johnson
Pocatello, ID

Bring your stuff!

Call Reina Avila 241-7463
to reserve table or floor space
for your sale items.

GARAGE SALE

MAY 27 – 30 FIELD OF HEROS: Held the weekend of Memorial Day in May. The Riders will be volunteering in the communication booth this year. Anyone wishing to help out are asked to call Riders Director Frank Smith at (208) 317-1424. Get involved in this wonderful event to remember our comrades who gave the ultimate price for our freedoms and for those who are POW/MIA. Idaho has 1 POW Army Spc Bowe Bergdahl of Sun Valley. Currently in the captivity of the Taliban since June 2009.

get this program going again on Tuesday or Wednesday nights.

JUNE 18 RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: Our post is hosting a blood drive. We need 30 confirmed appointments of qualified donors. Please call Reina at 241-7463 if to make appointments from 10 am – 2 pm.

LOOKING AHEAD AT JUNE 2011

JUNE 11 FISHING DERBY CANCELLED: Normally held twice a year in June and August. This year due to low funds, we are only able to have one this year in **August**. If you can help, please send checks or MO to American Legion Post 4, PO Box 14, Pocatello, Idaho 83204 and write “donation” on the memo line. Please help support this Children & Youth program.



JUNE 14: FLAG DAY!!! Fly your flags! A flag retirement ceremony will take place at Alameda park in Pocatello at 5 p.m.

BINGO: We need about four volunteers to run this program. If you'd like to be involved, please come to our next regular meeting. We'd love to



AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL: Tryouts will be held on May 23, 24, 25 at Halliwell.

The season begins in June. Admission to games is **free with your 2011 membership card!** Come support our Boys! Schedule of games is not yet available but are posted also in the Idaho State Journal sports section or you get it online at



www.pocatellolegionbaseball.com

~TAPS FOR APRIL 2011~





1. Edward Grady, 1/23/49 - 4/07/11, US Navy.
2. Velma Lea(Vel) Facer, Friday April 8, 2011
3. Paul H. Gibby, 4/09/11 - US Army.
4. George Wood, 4/12/11 - ?
5. **Troy Malzahn**, Former American Legion, passed in April 2011
6. Carlyle Raymond Bassett, 4/16/11, US Army WWII
7. Wade Gibson Allred, 4/19/11, US Navy
8. William Joseph "Bill" Terry, 84, 4/26/11
9. Cecil Allen "Bud" Lish, 86, 4/26/2011

“The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace”

Numbers 6:24-26

For some of us, we are all they have for a family. Let's not forget our needy members and reach out to them. Sometimes, it's just too hard to ask for assistance. Sometimes, it's just plain ol' pride! Either way, we are here to help each other out.

Our organization must reach out to other VSO's and assist them if necessary and hopefully they will do the same. We must try to combine our efforts, not duplicate our efforts within this community as we reach out to the children, veterans and their families during this tough economic times. As your new commander, I will do all I can to achieve this goal. So, eyes front and keep focused on the goal of veterans helping veterans!



Laurie Cuna and Reina Avila
February 15, 2011
VFW Post 735 Women Veteran Celebration

Reina M. Avila



I'm looking forward to being your commander for the year 2011-2012. I hope this will be a year of many successes and it can be if we all join together and work together as a family. We are brothers and sisters who share a common theme, that of military service in a time of conflict/war. When one of us falls, we don't leave our brother/sister on the ground. We pick them up and carry them if they need carried. We dress their wounds and give them comfort. We stay by their side when they are sick and dying.