



American Legion Riders

South Sound Riders Chapter 78
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FLAG DISPOSAL

Our first flag disposal at the Auburn Veterans Memorial of the year was April 15th. Weather was good for the retirement of about 75 flags. Next flag disposal will be either May 13th or 20th.

AROUND THE MOUNTAIN RIDE

The Chapter has started planning for a ride on July 15th for Around the Mountain. This will be our first post Covid ride so come on out!



RIDERS EVENTS

23MAY Riders meeting at Rainbow Café @ 6:30PM

27JUN Riders meeting at Rainbow Café @ 6:30PM

04JUL July 4th Parade in Enumclaw, form up 11AM

15JUL Chapter around the Mountain Ride

CHAPTER 78 OFFICERS

Director: John Byars
Asst Director: Keith Mclvor
Treasurer: Roger Olsen
Secretary: Roger Olsen
Quartermaster: Open
Events: Tamra Billings
Road CPT: Keith Mclvor
Chaplain: Roger Olsen
Sgt at Arms: Luis Blanco
Webmaster: Keith Mclvor

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

03MAY Post 78 meeting in the hall @ 7PM
08MAY V-E Day - Unit 78 meeting in the hall @ 10AM
14MAY Mother's Day
17MAY Post & Unit 78 BBQ @ 6:30PM, final nominations and election @ 7PM
20MAY Armed Forces Day
22MAY National Maritime Day
23MAY South Sound Riders Chapter 78 meeting at Rainbow Café @ 6:30PM
29MAY Memorial Day-Remembrance Ceremony at Veterans Memorial 11AM
06JUN D-Day Anniversary (1944)
07JUN Post 78 meeting in the hall @ 7PM
12JUN Unit 78 meeting in the hall @ 10AM
14JUN Flag Day - United States Army Birthday (1775)
18JUN Father's Day
04JUL Independence Day - Stars-n-Stripes Parade in Enumclaw @ 12PM

POST 78 OFFICERS

Commander: Tamra Billings
Sr. V. CDR: Rick Woodall
Jr. V. CDR: Henry Lee
Adjutant: Carol Reed
Finance Off: Roger Olsen
Sgt at Arms: Bob Poznanski
Chaplain: Bob Poznanski
Service Off: Rick Woodall
Historian: Doug Reynolds

UNIT 78 OFFICERS

President: Carol Dunham
1stV. Pres: Mary Olsen
2ndV. Pres: MaryJane Maurich
Treasurer: Mary Olsen
Secretary: Cathy Mclvor
Chaplin: LaWanita Poznanski
Sgt at Arms: Sheila Wright
Parliment: Raeanne Mitchell



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Post and Auxiliary 78 members share in the potluck dinner in the Hall on April 19th.

APRIL POTLUCK & FIRST NOMINATIONS

The Potluck on April 19th had a light turnout for a casserole dinner and apple dumpling dessert. Everyone enjoyed the chance to share some good food and visit with their fellow members in the Post and Auxiliary unit.

First nominations were held for Post officers for 2024. Second nominations are scheduled for the Post meeting on May 3rd, with third nominations and election set for May 17th after the annual BBQ.

POST MEMBERSHIP

Membership renewals continue to trickle into the Post. The Post currently stands at 83.52% of goal for 2023. This means we still have over 40 members that have not sent in their renewals. Please check your membership cards, if they say 2022, your dues are delinquent and your check for \$50 will make you current for 2023. The Post is capable of online membership renewals. This saves time and expedites processing renewals and sending membership cards.

LEGION BIRTHDAY DINNER

The Post and Unit 78 hosted our annual American Legion Birthday dinner on March 15th in the hall. We had no guests from Department due to turmoil.

We had some D-11 leadership present for the dinner. Thank you to Unit 78 for a great spread.

MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE

Preparations are underway for the Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony on May 29th at 11AM. A sign-up sheet will be available at future meetings to volunteer for flame guard detail.



Post and Auxiliary 78 members dish up from the buffet at the Legion birthday dinner on March 15th.

UPCOMING MEETINGS FOR UNIT 78

Join us at the Warren Building in Veterans Park on Mondays, May 8 and June 12 at 10 AM. At May's meeting, elections for Unit Officers 2023/24 will be held, as well as delegates to the State Convention in July. At June's meeting we will be making a plan for next year.

UNIT 78 DOES MORE THAN HOLD MEETINGS!

Each year the ALA Department of Washington asks each ALA Unit to compile a report of their activity for the year from May 1 to April 30. Here is a summary of this year's report for Unit 78.

*Donations to Veterans organizations: A total of \$2050 was sent to Sweats for Vets, Retsil and Orting Gift Shops, American Lake and Seattle VAMCs, Fisher Houses at JBLM and Seattle, USOs at SeaTac and JBLM Lounges, and Wounded Warriors at JBLM.

*Nearly 600 Poppies were distributed in letters to members and Saar's Market over Memorial Day Weekend which raised a little over \$2,300.

*Assisted with ordering and packing as well as providing hand-crafted holiday cards for over 400 sets of sweats for Post 78's Sweats for Vets Drive.

*Helped with the Veteran's Breakfast, flag disposal ceremonies, monthly dinners, and the garage sale.

*Individually, members contributed over 600 hours of time and \$5,000 of donations to community organizations.

UNIT 78 WISHES TO THANK POST & RIDERS 78 FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT.