



American Legion Riders

South Sound Riders Chapter 78
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FLAG DISPOSAL

Our last flag disposal at the Veterans Memorial was on May 13th. A 90-degree forecast that day shortened our disposal to 70 flags. The disposal scheduled for June 10th or 17th was cancelled by a burn ban going into effect on June 1st.

AROUND THE MOUNTAIN RIDE

The Chapter's planning for our July 15th "Around the Mountain" ride is nearly complete. We start from the Post at 8:30AM. We are excited to have this first ride since the Covid shutdown. All riders in the Post are welcome to join the ride.



RIDERS EVENTS

04JUL Enumclaw July 4th Parade, stage @ 11AM

15JUL Chapter around the Mountain Ride @ 8:30AM

25JUL Riders meeting at Rainbow Café @ 6:30PM

22AUG Riders meeting at Rainbow Café @ 6:30PM

04SEP Labor Day Parade Black Diamond, stage 9A

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

27JUN Riders 78 meeting at Rainbow Café @ 6:30PM

04JUL Independence Day Enumclaw July 4th Parade, stage 11A, parade 12PM

15JUL Riders 78 Around the Mountain Ride from the Hall KSU @ 8:30AM

19-22JUL Department of Washington Convention in Wenatchee

25JUL Riders 78 meeting at Rainbow Café @ 6:30PM

26JUL Post/Unit/Riders Planning meeting at Post Hall @ 6:30PM

13AUG District 11 Planning meeting TBD

22AUG Riders 78 meeting at Rainbow Café @ 6:30PM

25-31AUG American Legion National Convention in Charlotte, NC

04SEP Labor Day Black Diamond Labor Day Parade, stage 9AM, parade 10AM

06SEP Post 78 meeting in the Post Hall @ 7PM

11SEP Unit 78 meeting in the Post Hall @ 10AM

The American Legion – Veterans Still Serving!

CHAPTER 78 OFFICERS

Director: John Byars
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Treasurer: Roger Olsen
Secretary: Roger Olsen
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2024 POST 78 OFFICERS

Commander: Tamra Billings
Sr. V. Cmdr: Henry Lee
Jr. V. Cmdr:
Adjutant: Carol Reed
Finance Off: Roger Olsen
Sgt at Arms: Bob Poznanski
Chaplain: Keith Mclvor
Service Off:
Historian:

2024 UNIT 78 OFFICERS

President: Carol Dunham
1stV. Pres: Mary Olsen
Treasurer: Mary Olsen
Secretary: Cathy Mclvor
Chaplain: LaWanita Poznanski
Sgt at Arms:
Parliamentarian: Raeanne Mitchell



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Roger Olsen, Cadet Diane Ramirez, Cadet Josiah Kelly, and Henry Lee Pose following AFJROTC awards at Federal Way High School.

JROTC AWARDS

Post 78 recognized JROTC cadets with a total of six Military Excellence and Scholastic Excellence Medals at awards ceremonies at Auburn Mountainview, Todd Beamer and Federal Way High Schools. Carol Reed presented at Auburn Mountainview, Raeanne Mitchell presented at Todd Beamer and Roger Olsen and Henry Lee presented at Federal Way.

POST MEMBERSHIP

The Post stood at 85.44% of goal for 2023, leaving us 38 under goal. The 2024 Legion year begins on July 1st. When you receive your July notice, respond by renewing your membership promptly. Dues remain at \$50 for 2024 as there is no per capita increase.

MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE

The Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony was held on May 29th. Attendance was around 40 as there were three ceremonies to choose from within Auburn that day. Thank you to all our members who volunteered with the ceremony and Honor Guard.

DEPARTMENT CONVENTION

The Department Convention is going forward as planned in Wenatchee on July 19-22. The Legion will have information and training sessions in place of elections and resolutions due to the suspension.

The Auxiliary will hold their elections, meetings and ceremonies as in past conventions.

PARADES THIS SUMMER

The Post will have our Color Guard in the July 4th Parade in Enumclaw @ 12PM and the Labor Day Parade in Black Diamond @ 10AM. **Any volunteers?**



Newly installed Unit 78 officers for 2024: Cathy Mclvor, LuWanita Poznanski, Mary Olsen and Carol Dunham.

IMPORTANT PLANNING MEETING ON JULY 26!

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, July 26th and come to the Warren Building at 6:30PM to give input for the 2023/24 Legion Family 78's calendar of events. Eat before coming, this is business only.

MEMORIAL WEEKEND POPPY REPORT

Unit 78 was excited to return to Fred Meyer in Auburn for Poppy distribution this year. Special thanks to Raeanne Mitchell for her persistence with the booking.

Thanks also to those who devoted their time that weekend: Carol and Gene Dunham, Henry Lee, Cathy and Keith Mclvor, Mary and Roger Olsen, and LuWanita and Bob Poznanski. They distributed at least 850 Poppies and collected over \$2,300 in donations. Unit 78 owes much gratitude to Carol and Gene for securing the table decorations and setting up and taking down on both Saturday and Sunday!

We look forward to the Poppy mailing in November to our Legion 78 Family: Post, Unit, and Riders. Every dollar we receive goes directly to support veteran and active-duty programs.

COME TO THE AUXILIARY MEETING IN SEPT.

September seems like a long way off, but it will be here before we know it! Our first meeting will be on Monday, September 11, 10AM in the Warren Building in Veterans Memorial Park. Important decisions will be made about our priorities for the year, including how the poppy funds are spent.