



American Legion Riders

South Sound Riders Chapter 78
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Keith Mclvor stirs the burn pit while Bob Poznanski and Roger Olsen feed flags during the flag retirement ceremony.

FLAG DISPOSAL

The final flag disposal for the summer was held June 8th with 35 flags retired. Next disposal will be either in September or October.

FUTURE RIDES

Our first summer event is the July 4th Parade in Enumclaw. Stage by 11AM, parade at 12noon. Then the Crystal Coast after the parade.



RIDERS EVENTS

04JUL Riders 78 stage in Enumclaw @ 11AM

24JUL Riders meet at Post potluck & planning @6:30

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

02SEP Labor Day Parade in Black Diamond @10AM

2024-25 POST 78 OFFICERS

Commander: Tamra Billings
Sr. V. Cmdr.: James Barrett
Jr. V. Cmdr.: Raeanne Mitchell
Adjutant: Carol Reed
Finance Off: Roger Olsen
Sgt at Arms: Keith Mclvor
Chaplain: Bob Poznanski
Service Off: Open

2024-25 UNIT 78 OFFICERS

President: Carol Dunham
V Pres.: LuWanita Poznanski
Treasurer: Mary Olsen
Secretary: Cathy Mclvor
Chaplain: LuWanita Poznanski
Sgt at Arms: Open
Parliamentarian: Raeanne Mitchell

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 04JUL** "Stars-n-Stripes" Parade in Enumclaw @ 12PM, stage @ 11AM
- 10-14JUL** Department Convention in Kennewick, WA
- 24JUL** Post/Unit/Riders 78 Potluck and planning meeting @ 6:30PM
- 04AUG** U.S. Coast Guard 234th birthday (1790)
- 11AUG** District 11 Planning meeting at Renton Post 19 @ 2PM
- 23-29AUG** National Convention in New Orleans, LA
- 02SEP** Labor Day Parade in Black Diamond 10AM, stage @ 9AM
- 04SEP** Post 78 meeting at the Post Hall @ 7PM
- 09SEP** Unit 78 meeting in Post Hall @ 10AM
- 11SEP** Patriot Day
- 12-15SEP** Post/Unit/Riders rummage sale at the Post Hall.
- 18SEP** Post & Unit 78 Potluck @ 6:30PM with meeting following

RIDERS 78 OFFICERS

Director: John Byars
Asst. Director: Keith Mclvor
Treasurer: Roger Olsen
Secretary: Roger Olsen
Events: Tamra Billings
Road Cpt: Keith Mclvor
Chaplain: Roger Olsen
Sgt @ Arms: Luis Blanco
Webmaster: Keith Mclvor

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Roger Olsen speaks following Mayor Backus and Tony Dohse seated during the Memorial Day Remembrance.

MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE

The Memorial Day Remembrance ceremony was held on May 27th at the Auburn Veterans Memorial. There were about 50 in attendance for the ceremony which included civic and veteran’s organization speakers and concluded with the Honor Guard made up of cadets from Auburn Mountainview Army JROTC. The Post provided the Flame Guard until 6PM.

POST MEMBERSHIP

The Post ended the 2024 Legion year with 211 paid out of a goal of 231 for 91.34% of goal. Please note, your 2025 dues have increased to \$55 due to \$5 increase in per capita from National Headquarters.

POST AWARDS TO JROTC UNITS

The Post was pleased to present cadets at Auburn Mountainview Army JROTC, Todd Beamer AFJROTC and Federal Way AFJROTC with Military Excellence and Scholastic Excellence Medals in May.

POST SUPPORTS BOYS STATE CANDIDATES

The Post supported two boys to Evergreen Boys State this year. The boys were from Buckley, WA and Anchorage, AK. Reports of the week at Warm Beach in Stanwood went very well.

>>> RUMMAGE SALE POSTPONED <<<

The Post/Unit/Riders rummage sale scheduled for July 11-14 in the Post Hall has been postponed. Due to a scheduling conflict caused by the Department Convention being moved back a week, the Post had to move the rummage sale to September 12-15. Please save your unwanted treasures you wish to donate to the sale. Please no furniture or appliances.



Auburn Mountainview Army JROTC present arms during the playing of TAPS at the closing of the Memorial Day Remembrance.

UNIT 78 MEMBERSHIP

As we approach the end of the 2024 membership year, Unit 78 reached only 76% of our goal. I have listed the current members, please check the list below to be sure your name is included.

Problem? Contact Mary Olsen 253 752 2844

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| Karen Adams | Mary Lou Barrett |
| Manette Beavert | Suzanne Bergstrom |
| Kevin Billings | Tamra Billings |
| Alexandra Braunschweig | |
| Donna Braunschweig | Tammy Byers |
| Jennifer Chin | Kate Compton |
| Jennifer Dahlman | Rebecca Dahlmand |
| Angie Davenport | Carol Dunham |
| Patricia Huwe | Lonnie Kirby |
| Mary and Zoe Matt | Cathy Mclvor |
| Tarah McLaughlin | Raeanne Mitchell |
| Laureen Nelissen | Mary Olsen |
| Sue Oswald | Cheryl Palensky |
| LuWanita Poznanski | Barbara Ray |
| Sharon Smith | Cara Tuman |
| Sheila Wright | Kayla Young |

PLANNING MEETING FOR POST/UNIT/RIDERS

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, July 24 for the annual planning meeting. The potluck will begin at 6:30PM and the planning meeting will follow.

POPPY DISTRIBUTION CHALLENGE

After many years of distributing Poppies at the Auburn Fred Meyer, they have changed their “policy” and denied our application. We are searching for a supportive grocery store in Auburn.