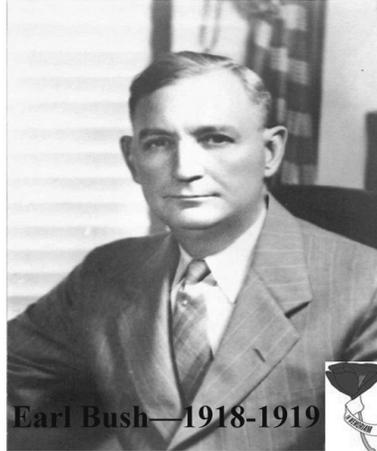


Ames Post Celebrating Centennial

The Ames Post entered our centennial year in June. Thanks to a group of World War I veterans from Ames, our post was chartered within the first 30 days of the existence of The American Legion.

A welcome home parade for the WW I vets was held on May 20, 1919. That was the first official day home for Company I of the 168th Infantry Regiment, 42nd Infantry Division. Co. I was part of the Iowa National Guard and was headquartered in Ames.

The May 28 issue of the Ames Tri-Weekly Tribune announced a drive to form a post and affiliate with The American Legion. That drive required 15 veterans to apply for a charter. That charter was granted June 16, 1919.



Earl Bush—1918-1919

Dr. E. B. Bush (shown above) was named the first Commander of the Post. He had commanded the medical detachment of the 126th Field Artillery, 34th Infantry Division during the war. Among the notable members was Anson Marston, Dean of Engineering at ISU.

Research into the history of the Post has uncov-

ered many notable accomplishments. They include operation of the Ames airport for several years in the 20s and 30s, participation in the development of lights on police cars and the standardized driving test, a Christmas toy closet for Ames children during the depths of the Great Depression, aiding in the development of Ames Youth through Boys State, baseball and academic recognition.

These accomplishments are the focus of a series of articles to run in the Ames Tribune that began on July 2 and will run through the centennial year.

The second article, to run soon, will tell more of the formation of the Post. Look for these articles in coming months.

Steak Dinner Time Changes



The Social Committee is announcing some changes to the monthly

steak dinner. Beginning with the September 1 meal the serving time will now be 5:00 to 7:00.

- 8 oz New York Strip \$12.00
- NY Strip Combo \$14.00
- 6 oz Sirloin \$9.00
- Sirloin Combo \$11.00

- 12 oz Ham Steak \$9.00
- Ham Steak Combo \$11.00
- 4 piece Shrimp \$9.00
- 6 piece Shrimp \$11.00
- Soup & Salad Bar \$7.00

The Combo meals include four shrimp with either the steak or ham. All meals include soup & salad bar, roll and choice of baked potato or french fries, coffee and water.

Join us Labor Day weekend for the first dinner of this year.

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Post Commander Doug's Comments



September is here, marking the start of a new school year in Ames and lots of Legion Family activities over the next several months.

We generate the vast majority of our income from events such as the monthly Steak Dinners, Burger Basket/Tenderloin Dinner Basket Nights, Fish Fries, Bingo, clubroom beverage/food sales, semi-annual cookie sales, room rentals, and other events. This is where you can help. If every Post 37 Family member attended one dinner, an evening of bingo, or stopped in the clubroom and enjoyed a drink or snack once a month, we would generate more income, leading to more funds available for charitable causes. Bring your friends in as guests for Bingo. Most of our meal events are open to the public.

I encourage you to look at the Newsletter calendar and stop by the Post to enjoy these events put on by your fellow Legion Family Members.

I would like to extend a huge thank you to all of our RAGBRAI volunteers. Without your help, we would not have

been able to raise funds for our Post Family to use during the year.

Due to your direct involvement and the reputation of the Ames Post in the community, we have started to see an influx of new members join the Post. Those efforts are sincerely appreciated as we continue the efforts to sustain our Legion and Post Families. It cannot be overstated, our future success as a Legion Family lies in our ongoing recruitment of new members. It is important to those new members to know that they are welcome additions to the Legion and Post Families, and that their contributions to our organizations will continue to help make a difference, for them and their families and to other veterans as well.

The monthly Steak Dinners resume on Saturday, September 1st. Stay after dinner and watch the ISU/South Dakota game on one of the big screen televisions. Follow that up with the annual Iowa/Iowa State game on the 8th at 4:00 PM at the Post. I am told there will also be a Fish Fry this month. All of these events are great starts to our Post fundraising year.

In an effort to understand what some of the internal and external issues our Post Family are dealing with in the

different groups and committees, I plan on attending at least one meeting of each group/ committee in September and October. I know everyone continues to work hard to achieve the goals and priorities of their group or committee, and I want to be in a position to help them achieve their goals by lending my support or coordinating the efforts between groups/committees. Those discussions lead to new ideas that help improve our Post and they deserve to be heard. I have been approached already with a couple of great ideas to help improve the Post #37 Family and our Post Home. If you cannot attend any of these meetings, or feel more comfortable, e-mail your thoughts to me at ames-legionpost37cdr@gmail.com, or leave a note for me at the Post so that I can evaluate and address your thoughts. I promise to provide you feedback. Together, we can make our Post more welcoming and effective, and reach out to provide more support to veterans and their families.

Finally, I would like to encourage all members of the Post #37 Family to renew their annual membership as soon as possible. The sooner we can get our renewals in, the better off we will be as a Post Family.



MEMBERSHIP IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY



Squadron Commander Mike's Comments



As the summer comes to an end, we will begin our fall fundraisers. Steak dinners are back starting in September and the Sons are responsible for the one on Saturday, November

3, so mark your calendars, and volunteer if you can. I would like you to come support the others as we are all members of the Legion family.

September 15, National Headquarters will begin sending out membership renewals in the mail. The 2019 membership cards are in, and you can drop off your money at the post, or your membership renewals when they arrive. They are checked for on a regular basis, so your membership will be processed and your card sent to you in a

very timely manner.

Remember your dues are how we are able to continue to offer things such as scholarships, and are able to donate to many charities which include the National Emergency Fund, and the Child Welfare Foundation, all of which you are able to apply for as long as you are in good standing. With the bad weather that Central Iowa just had in July, a lot of homes were damaged, and many people were displaced. Being a current member, you are able to apply for assistance through the National Emergency Fund, and the Temporary Financial Assistance Fund is also available.

The Squadron will be discussing our Constitution and By-Laws at the September meeting. We will be collecting ideas on a number of areas of concern in both documents. Those ideas will be put together into a draft for presentation

at the October meeting.

We all joined the Sons for different reasons, whether it was to honor a family member, or to have a place to volunteer and support other veterans, I want to thank you for joining and I look forward to you renewing your membership to help promote the Sons of The American Legion. When the Sons are strong, the Legion is strong.

I joined the Sons of The American Legion because I want to honor my Grandfather's service in WW2. He was in the Army as a Corporal from 1942-1945, and served in Europe. I wear my Sons hat to honor his service and honor him. So remember when your membership renewal comes in, I ask you to remember why you joined this great organization and lets honor them by carrying this great organization into the future

Clubroom News

Fall is fast approaching and we have lots of fun things happening in the clubroom. Football is coming up and the clubroom is a great place to watch all your favorite teams. It's a great place to cheer on the Cyclones!! It's time to sit back and relax after this crazy summer. We love to indoor tailgate, so bring in a munchie to share and enjoy the drink specials that we offer on games days. Check out what we have planned for this month:

Friday, September 14 Tenderloin Basket Night 5:30-7pm. It's back from its summer hiatus!! Come enjoy a Tenderloin sandwich and fries for just \$6. Hope to see you then!

Saturday, September 15-Cyclones vs. Oklahoma The clubroom will open at 10:30 am so you can watch the game. Kickoff is 11 am.

Pool League Forming



What better way to while away some of the cold winter days that are coming than getting together with friends for a game of 8-ball at the post?

If you play the game or if you even just play at the game, a pool league is being created at the Ames Post. Rules are being written and a meeting will be called to get the league organized.

There will be prize money but more importantly, there will be fun and fellowship over the table. Leave your name and contact information at the post and join us. We will be in contact for the organizational meeting.

Tuesday, September 25 is the Weekly Drawing Bonus Night. There will be 6 drawings of \$50 each commencing at 6:00pm. Members must be qualified for the drawing by consistently entering into the weekly drawing. Along with tacos we will also be offering Grinder and fries.



Thanks again to all those that helped around the clubroom this last month. Your help is very much appreciated. Ken Wood-

ley, Tom Fowler, Hank Goettsche, Tom Hadaway, Russ and Vicki Belz, Roger Lawrence, John Schomaker, Bill Donovan and Sandy Deacon.

Committee Members Needed



The programs and events at the Ames Post are only possible because of our Legion Family members that make those events and programs work. We are always looking for more of those folks.

If you are one, we need members on the Operations, Social, Centennial, Baseball and Building Remodeling committees. Contact Commander Doug at ameslegionpost37crd@gmail.com to get your name on one of those jobs.

Unit President Jammie's Comments



Greetings Ladies!

We had an extremely busy month of August and September looks to be busy as well. September 14th, 15th and 16th will be the Des Moines Stand

Down. If you have time and you would like to volunteer please reach out to Sandy Deacon and schedule a time. September 20th at 7:30 p.m. will be the Story County Meeting and September 29th will be the 6th District Fall Conference in Pleasantville.

As we step into a new membership year; I would love to hear from you! Please feel free to reach out to me or any one of YOUR officers with any new ideas or projects. In August we met and planned for the upcoming year. We have a lot of great things planned, but there is always room for more.

2018/2019 Membership Goals: This year's membership goal has been set and **320** is the magic number. Together we can reach this goal! The American Legion Auxiliary Mission Statement begins "In the spirit of Service, Not Self" you can use this as a tool to recruit new members. When you are out in the community remember why **YOU** joined this organization and share that passion

CLUBROOM COUPON

Any Tuesday in September

Present Coupon to get

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Unit Nut Fundraiser



You will find the 2017 Nut Order form as an insert in this bulletin. All of your old favorites are there as well as some new items.

This fundraiser has been very popular in past years and pre-ordering assures that you get what you want. This sale helps the Unit fund their programs. It is a win-win for you and them. If you have questions, contact information is on the order sheet.

For those that do not live locally and still wish to support the Unit in this fundraiser by going online to <https://AmesIowaUnit37ALA.terrylncar.es.com>.

Be sure and ask your friends and neighbors if they would like to place an order also!

The Sixth District Fall Conference will be held September 29 at the Pleasantville Post. All members are welcome but especially Post and Unit officers. More information will be available at www.legion.org.

and experience with your friends and family (and don't forget to document those community service hours and send them to the Community Service Chairwoman). So here is the challenge.....Everyone knows someone who would love to join an organization that has such a positive impact on the lives of Veterans, Children, and the Community. If each member were to recruit just one additional person we would not only meet this going but we would exceed this goal.

Thank you ladies for everything and I look forward to seeing you at the meeting on Tuesday, September, 4th. Our Girls State candidates will be speaking at this month's meeting.

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