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# THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 28 PRESS

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2019

The American Legion General Meeting .....2nd Tuesday @ 6:00 pm  
 The American Legion Executive Meeting ..... 4th Tuesday @ 6:00 pm  
 Sons of The American Legion Meeting ..... 4th Saturday @ 3:00 pm



**REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN ALL**



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# THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 28 CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2019

<b>September</b>	<b>All Month</b>	<b>Grants Pass Post 28 Birthday</b>
<b>September 6</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Baby Back Rib Dinner @ 4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. RSVP by September 3</b>
<b>September 10</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Pre-Meeting Dinner @ 4:30 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.</b>
<b>September 10</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Legion Post 28 General Meeting @ 6 p.m.</b>
<b>September 14</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Honor Wall Brick Ceremony @ 4 p.m.</b>
<b>September 24</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Legion Post 28 Executive Meeting @ 6 p.m.</b>
<b>September 28</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Post Work Day @ 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.</b>
<b>September 28</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sons of The American Legion Meeting @ 3 p.m.</b>
<b>October 1</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Veterans Administration Town Hall @ 5 p.m.</b>
<b>October 4</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>October Fest Dinner @ 4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. RSVP by October 1</b>
<b>October 8</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Pre-Meeting Dinner @ 4:30 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.</b>
<b>October 8</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Legion Post 28 General Meeting @ 6 p.m.</b>
<b>October 12</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>DEC Meeting @ 12 p.m.,</b>
<b>October 22</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Legion Post 28 Executive Meeting @ 6 p.m.</b>
<b>October 26</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Post Work Day @ 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.</b>
<b>October 26</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sons of The American Legion Meeting @ 3 p.m.</b>



# COMMANDER'S COMMENTS



I will start by thanking all the members who support the Post by attending General Meetings and visiting the Post during the week.

Next, I would like to encourage everyone we don't see to get a little more involved. Come to a meeting and make your voice heard in the decision making process.

Stop by on Monday or Wednesday and try one of our dinners. There's a decent variety to choose from. In short, please support the Post of which you chose to be a member.

I encourage you to read the newsletter and plan to attend the several Post activities going on in the next two (2) months.

Some of the activities planned for the next two (2) months include: an Honor Wall Brick Dedication, including a free bar-b-que for all attending the Ceremony; The VA will be conducting a Town Hall to explain the new Mission Act for Veterans; and... we also have our 1st Friday Dinners to look forward to.

Membership: You have by now heard of the Legion Act S-504; this act makes membership in the American Legion available to any serviceman or woman that served at least one day since December 7, 1941 and was honorably discharged, or is still serving.

This act removes all previous restrictions based on dates of service. This bill was signed by President Trump and is now in effect. Veterans wishing to apply should contact the Post Adjutant or Finance Officer at (541) 474-6400, or come into the Post.

Don't forget our new membership cards are at the Post and ready to be mailed to you as soon as we receive your dues. Kudos to those who have already paid their 2020 membership; you have placed us at about 50% paid.

We do compete with other Posts in Oregon, and we achieved the 100% 2018-19 membership goal ribbon for our Post flag.

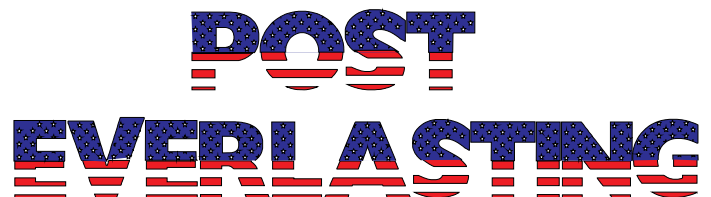
Until next time, I want to thank you all for being members of Post 28, and your continued support.

John David  
Commander, Grants Pass Post 28  
Semper Laborantes

**Next Meetings: Sept. 10 & 24, Oct. 8 & 22**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY, POST 28!

The month of September is the birth month of Grants Pass Post 28. Stop by and visit the Post in its 100th year.



The following members have been called to the Post Everlasting in 2019:

Sheri Boudraux	January 7
Joe LaValle	January 31
Jack Harris	February 23
Margaret Bland-Wallen	April 7
Robert E De Loach	April 16
Palmer Zottola	April 22
Tony Mello	May 12
Patrick Cape	May 16

Our thoughts and prayers go with them and their families. We were blessed to have known them, and they will be missed but not forgotten.



# SAL SQUADRON 28

2020 SAL Membership Cards are available at the Post. Please pay your \$25 as soon as possible.

The Sons Scramble for Charity this year was another success. We had 48 players who all donated generously. We raised \$1,218 for The American Legion Dept. of Oregon Child Welfare Foundation.

This earned us a fancy plaque instead of a gold pin for our donations in the 2019 fiscal year.

We now need to start planning for the 2020 SAL Scramble for Charity. Target date is Saturday, May 2. The target \$ amount is \$3000+. Please bring Sponsor commitments to the meeting in September. We have a member willing to coordinate/organize fundraising efforts. Please come and listen, and participate.

Help us help the Vets, and their children,

Tom Van Allen  
Commander, Squadron 28

**Next Meetings: September 28 & October 26**

## CANTEEN MENU

<b>1 pc Chicken, French Fries &amp; Salad</b>	<b>\$6.00 (*)</b>
<b>2 pc Chicken, French Fries &amp; Salad</b>	<b>\$7.00 (*)</b>
<b>1 pc Fish, French Fries &amp; Salad</b>	<b>\$6.00 (*)</b>
<b>2 pc Fish, French Fries &amp; Salad</b>	<b>\$7.50 (*)</b>
<b>1/3 lb. Burger, French Fries &amp; Salad</b>	<b>\$6.00 (*)</b>
<b>1/2 lb. Burger, French Fries &amp; Salad</b>	<b>\$7.50 (*)</b>
<b>Green Salad w/ 1 pc Chicken</b>	<b>\$6.00 (*)</b>
<b>Green Salad w/ 2 pc Chicken</b>	<b>\$7.00 (*)</b>
<b>2 Chili Dogs &amp; French Fries</b>	<b>\$6.00 (*)</b>
<b>Onion Rings</b>	<b>\$2.50 (*)</b>
<b>Teriyaki Chicken Bowl</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>
<b>Chicken Pot Pie</b>	<b>\$3.00</b>

**(\*) Available on Monday & Wednesday Only**

# CANTEEN CAPERS

You are the key to the success of this organization.

In case you haven't heard, all Veterans can join the American Legion. So, bring in your friends and neighbors, and make Post 28 a place to be, to have fun, and make new friends! Come throw some darts, or pull the cover off of the pool table and shoot a little pool. We even have Wii, and some board games to be played.

Yes, we have a lounge. It has a variety of beverages (both with and without alcohol). We also have a lunch/dinner menu on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Your Post needs members to spread the word regarding the programs we have available to the young people in our community. If each of us donated 2 hours per year to support the Post it would equal a tremendous success to both the Post and our Community.

Remember, our American Legion Programs are geared towards the youth and their future. The generosity of your time supporting The American Legion Programs is needed for the success of our youth. Our generation needs to help set the path for future generations.

Come to the General meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, add your ideas, and catch up on what has been happening at the Post. Help make this Post what every Veteran should envision when they think of The American Legion.

*Vickie*

If you attend the General Meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month your name will be added to a list. You will find a randomly selected name in the General Meeting minutes, available before the Meeting. If you are selected, you get a free beer or well drink of choice that we have in stock, and you must claim it before the Meeting.

Come to the General Meeting on the 2nd Tuesday, and start with a great meal from 4:30-5:45 p.m. Please RSVP if you are attending the Dinner and Meeting. 541-476-6400, Mon-Sat.

## 1st Friday Special Dinners

### *Baby Back Ribs Dinner by Reservation Only*

Menu: Baby Back Ribs, Beans, Corn on the Cob,  
Salad, Bread, and Dessert

**Friday, September 6, 4:30 pm - 7 pm**

RSVP no later than September 3 at (541) 474-6400  
2-6pm, Monday-Saturday. Price is \$15 per meal.

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### *October Fest Dinner by Reservation Only*

Menu: Jaeger Schnitzel w/ Mashed Potatoes &  
Gravy, OR, Sausage Variety, German Potatoe  
Salad, Spicy Red Cabbage, and Sauerkraut

**Friday, October 4, 4:30 pm - 7 pm**

RSVP no later than October 1 at (541) 474-6400,  
2-6pm, Monday-Saturday. Price is \$12 per meal.

# Hot from the Kitchen

## Post 28 General Meeting Dinners

Bring in the family, a Veteran, or eligible friends to our next General Meeting. Help us build the Post Family. Dinner will be served from 4:30-5:45 p.m. Legionnaires John and Vickie David donate and prepare a meal prior to the Post General Meeting. The meal is served as a fundraiser for the Post and we welcome our members, their families, friends, and potential Legion members. Please RSVP so we can have enough for all who attend. **To RSVP call the Post at 474-6400 between 2pm and 6pm, Monday thru Saturday.** Meals are by donation. If you like it, donate generously! All monies collected will be donated to the Post 28 General Fund. Beverages are available in the Lounge.

### Tuesday, Sept. 10

Pulled Pork, Beans,  
Salad, and French Bread

4:30 - 5:45 pm

Please RSVP by September 6

### Tuesday, October 8

Pork Chops, Potatoes, Gravy,  
Green Beans, and Biscuits

4:30 - 5:45 pm

Please RSVP by October 4

## CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Please leave a message for Post 28 Chaplain Grant Pencille at (541) 660-0582 regarding a birthday, anniversary, illness, hospitalization, or death of an American Legion Member, Son, or Family Member. God Bless.

## ATTENTION POST MEMBERS: 2020 DUES

2020 Membership Cards are available at the Post. Please pay your 2020 Dues at Grants Pass Post 28 to retain the benefits and privileges of your membership. If you do not have a 2020 card, Contact the Membership Officer of your organization:

Vickie David, Post 28 .....707-953-0052

Tom Van Allen, Squadron 28 .....714-423-2460

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Send submissions, comments or questions to:  
email: [contact@americanlegionpost28.org](mailto:contact@americanlegionpost28.org),  
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**The deadline for Newsletter submissions is the 15th of even numbered months.  
Newsletter will be finalized on the 22nd so it can be printed and mailed by the 28th.**

# Honor Wall Brick Dedication

Come join us on Saturday, September 14, at 4 p.m. for the placement of the Honor Wall Bricks we have ready to be placed. This will be followed by a free bar-b-que, and your attendance will help make this event a success. You will also have the opportunity to order a brick for yourself, or for someone you would like to honor.

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## Veterans Administration Town Hall

VA representatives will be at Post 28 on Tuesday, October 1 at 5 p.m. to provide you with information on the changes that have been made in your benefits. This meeting is open to all Veterans and their families. It will also be advertised in the Daily Courier, on TV, and on radio. So, watch and listen for additional information, and come to the presentation. Remember, these are YOUR benefits weather you are taking advantage of them or not. Come and be informed!

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## AL Dept of OR District 4 Meeting

American Legion Department of Oregon District 4 will be holding its quarterly meeting at our Post on Saturday, October 12. Lunch will be at 12 p.m. (lunch will be off the Post Menu); the meeting will start at 1 p.m. All members are invited to attend, so come and meet our new District 4 Commander, David Applegate.

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## Military Uniforms Wanted

Donate your old uniforms to Post 28. If you have a uniform you would like to have displayed, please bring it to the Post, or call (541) 474-6400 and make arrangements to have your uniform picked up. We have received donations of a complete Coast Guard Uniform, a 1942 Navy white and a 1942 Navy blue uniforms, and a partial '50 Air Force uniform that has been loaned to us. We also have Vietnam era uniforms (fatigues, tiger

stripe, bomber jacket, crew chief flight helmet, etc). The Commander and Finance Officer have brought in Fatigues, Battle Dress Uniform (BDU), Desert Camouflage Uniform (DCU), Army Combat Uniform (ACU), and samples of field packed meals, helmets, caps and miscellaneous other items. We need more and different era uniforms to display, so please donate/loan your militaria to display for the benefit of everyone who comes in to the Post.

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