



# Post 157 News

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## Commander Jim's Column —

ATTENTION LEGION FAMILY! As of the closing of the Department Convention in Mahanomen MN, Walter Folendorf was elected the 9th District Commander. What an honor Walt has bestowed on Post 157. Thank you on behalf of all of us here at Post 157. Also our Adjutant Terry Buraas was appointed by the newly elected Department Commander Chuck Krueger to be Chairman of the Children and Youth Committee. The Post also received several awards, Honorable mention from Children and Youth, Certificate for Blood Donations and a Service to our Community Award. All in all, the Department Convention was very informative.

Our Annual Picnic was held on July 31st in conjunction with the VFW. This was a joint picnic to see if the two organizations could save money and it went very well. A special thanks to Carol Sonnenberg and her crew on getting all the great door prizes for the kids and adults that attended. Thanks also to those who cooked and helped set up. Thank you also to the Squadron Commander of the SAL and his group for helping with all they did. For those of you who did not attend you missed door prizes of \$25 for gas and many coupons for food at various eating places. Thank you also for Jan for doing the Baked Beans and to Kathy at the VFW for the Potato Salad.

On September 16th from 2-4p.m., the VA staff at the Grand Forks CBOC will host an open house with a short program. All VETERANS, spouses and families are welcome. A display of WWII military patches will be shown.

On Saturday October 29th from 1-3p.m., Post 157 will hand out bags of candy for our kids and grand kids. NO PROGRAM JUST CANDY!!

Well I have taken up too much space , so I will close for now. I leave you with this thought. SIGN UP A NEW MEMBER FOR 2012 Thank a VETERAN for your Freedom!!

INTO THE WILD BLUE YONDER!!

*~Commander Jim*

**Auxiliary, Sons of the Legion and Legion membership cards are in. PAY YOUR DUES NOW!!  
Auxiliary dues are \$20 with Juniors at \$5 Sons of the Legion \$20 Adult and \$8 for a  
minor. Legion is at \$35 THANK YOU FOR PAYING EARLY!!**

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT

## **East Grand Forks American Legion Auxiliary Unit 157 Bev LeTexier, Chairman (218)773-2917**

Welcome back!! We are starting another Auxiliary year 2012. I know some of you have sent in your dues already. In one of the previous newsletters I stated that our dues have gone up to \$20 for Seniors and \$5 for Juniors (need to be counted as a Senior if your 18th birthday falls in 2012). I don't make the decisions, National does.

If I haven't contacted you as to the additional \$5, I will be sending you a notice. We did not make our goal for 2011. As I have stated before our Auxiliary year runs from Department Convention to Department Convention-July(2011) to July(2012). We are NOT on a fiscal year because of National. They elect officers at the National Convention and start the Auxiliary year then. If you have any questions please call me and I will try to explain it to you. TY

I represented our Unit at Department Convention in Mahanomen in July. It was a good convention, lots of issues that were resolved. Our Unit received citations for History(chairman, Marie Rogalla), and Public Relations (I was PR Chairman) and I also received the Gold Brigade Award for the 13th consecutive year for signing up at least 25 new members. Thanks to all the new members who signed up for 2011 and made this award possible again.

THANK YOU to the members who helped with the American Legion and VFW Picnic also to Carol and Jeannie for taking care of the games and the door prizes. Food was great and I think everyone had a good time. Weather also cooperated!! Our regular meetings will be starting again in September. Hope to see a few more members attending.

SEPTEMBER: Regular meeting on Tuesday the 5th at 7:00p.m. in the small dining room. This is Junior Activities month. We do not have an organized Junior Unit but we do have junior as members of our Auxiliary.

OCTOBER: Our regular membership banquet is scheduled for the 4th at 6:00 p.m. in the big dining room. Again we will be having newly elected 9th District President Jean Walker as our special guest. Lots of good food (served by our Legionnaires), door prizes etc. This dinner is FREE with your 2012 paid up membership. To avoid the rush you can pay ahead of time. Just send your money to me or leave it at the club. You can also pay at the door. Bring a NEW member for a special prize. New member must attend with you, she will also receive a special prize.

NOVEMBER: This is our Auxiliary's 92nd birthday. Come join us for the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and enjoy cake and ice cream after the meeting. This is also Past Presidents Parley month. Remember VETERANS DAY on the 11th.

DECEMBER: Our Christmas party will be the 6th. This is potluck at 6:00 p.m. Instead of exchanging gifts we ask for a donation (\$5.00) to be donated to the Grand Forks Meals on Wheels this year. We alternate between GF and EGF each year. This will be matched by our Auxiliary. It has been down the last couple of years so hopefully we can make it up starting this year.

Please remember in your prayers our Auxiliary members and their families who have died since our last Newsletter. Karen Lee 18 years; Helen Solee 54 years; Geraldine Bishop 15 years; Berdie Larson on the death of her daughter, Sue and to Charlotte Bratvold on the death of her husband, Dennis.

We are still in need of Past Unit Presidents pictures. If you have snapshot let me know and I will have an 8X10 made and return the picture to you. It would be nice to fill in the empty spaces.

**~Bev LeTexier**

## Dancing

Sundays, 5 - 9 p.m.

### September

4th Dennis Ficor Band  
11th Rambling Rose  
18th Larry Charon  
25th Auctioneers

### October

2nd Swinging Bobcats  
9th Matt & the Dakota Dutchman  
16th Auctioneers  
23rd Just Wingin' It  
30th Chuck Gust

## BINGO

Sunday: 1:30 p.m.  
Thursday: 7:15 p.m.

## Meetings

### American Legion

Third Wednesday

### Auxiliary

First Tuesday

### Sons of American Legion

Fourth Wednesday

### 40 & 8

**Chef deGare: Walter Folendorf**

Second Wednesday

### Screening

Third Monday, 3:30 p.m.

### Legion Riders

First Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

## Meals

**Monday:** 5 - 7 p.m. Spaghetti \$4.00 (No Spaghetti 7/4)

**Tuesday:** 5 - 8 p.m. Burgers

**Wednesday:** 5 - 7 p.m.

Meatballs every Wednesday

### Liver & Onions:

September 14 & 28

October 12 & 26

### Chicken Fried Steak:

September 7 & 21

October 5 & 26

**Thursday:** 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Tacos, etc.  
5 - 7 p.m. Tacos, etc.

Taco: 75¢

Soft Shell: \$1.25

Small Salad: \$3.00

Large Salad: \$4.00

Baby Burrito: \$4.00

Burrito: \$4.50

Chips/Cheese: \$1.75

1/2 Nachos: \$4.00

Nacho Plate: \$4.50

**Friday:** 5 - 7 p.m.

Chicken: \$8.50

Walleye or Shrimp: \$10.50

Steak: \$10.75

Salad Bar \$6.00

**Saturday:** 5 - 7 p.m.

Chicken: \$8.50

Shrimp: \$10.50

Steak: \$10.75

Salad Bar \$6.00

**Sunday:**

Breakfast: 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Burgers: 1 - 7:30 p.m.

*Saturday, October 29 • 1-3 p.m.*

*Halloween Candy Pick up*

**NO REGULAR PARTY, JUST CANDY!**



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## **TAPS**

### **LEGION**

Aker, Wallace	47 years
Anderson, Ronald D.	15
Burckhard, Frank	64
Byzewski, Earnest V.	36
Krejci, Jerome	56
Kresel, Bernard	16
Lee, Orville	57
Miller, Lorne	45
Moen, Dwaine E.	16
Pilak, Gary L.	20
Pokrzywinski, Gerald	27

### **Sons of the Legion**

Bratvold, Dennis E.	30
Pierce, Leon H.	4