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## Memorial Day 2022



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### A Few Months Out

June 21—Post general Membership Meeting and dinner

June 22— N7LGN meeting

June 25—Lloyds Koffee Klatch

June 25—Auxiliary meeting

Jun 13—18—Boys State

June 25—Dairy Days Parade

July 4—Post at Storey Park

July 14—17— Summer Convention

Memorial Day 2022. It was a little cool and somewhat rainy, but we had a good crowd. Mayor Simison was the guest speaker. The Post 113 Auxiliary made a beautiful wreath which was placed at the Rock of Honor. The ceremony included rifle volleys from both the Post 113 Honor Guard and the VFW honor Guard. Names on the Rock of Honor were read by the 40&8. If you caught the news, we were on two television stations.

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# Commanders Call

By: Rich Dees

Greetings,

A little slow on the trigger....I had intended this to be out a few days ago.

There is a great deal going on this month and next. First, on June 25, 2022 there is Meridian Dairy Days. The event starts at 6:00 PM and we have two entries. The first is our Honor Guard which is leading the parade. The second is a Post "float" which consists of a truck pulling the Flag Trailer and an additional trailer being pulled by (we think) Abe's Jeep wrapped in Legion art. Members can walk, or ride on the trailer with the Jeep or in the back of the truck with the flag trailer. The more the merrier. This is the first time in a few years we have been active with Meridian Dairy Days, and it's neat to be back. If you want to ride or walk, let us know by meeting time so we can estimate the seating.

The second event is the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. We are setting up a booth at Storey Park in Meridian (next to the pool) and will be passing out Legion literature, Constitutions, coloring books on the Flag, and flags. We will be there from noonish till 4:00 PM. We will have the Department Canopy which is all decked out with Legion visuals. We can stay for the fireworks, but they don't start until 9:00 PM or so. We need folks to staff the booth.

As you may know, we applied for a couple of grants from Meridian. One was to put up a flag and pole at the intersection of Cherry Lane and Meridian, and the other is to put out some flag bins in front of City Hall and Kleiner Park. We had hoped to hear about the grants by now, but the person at the City left and people are picking up the pieces. I've been told we will know by mid-month...maybe.

Hope to see you at the meeting!

Cheers

Rich

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# POST 113 HONOR GUARD



APRIL EVENTS

DOUG HANKS

Rifle Salutes- 16

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## What is the history of the three volley rifle salute during a military funeral?

### Question:

What is the history of the three rifle volley during a military funeral?

### Answer:

The three rifle volley consists of no less than three and no more than seven rifles firing three volleys in memory of the fallen. The original history comes from the Roman era that at the end of the day of battle when the field of battle was cleared, if the soldier removing the slain soldier knew the name of the soldier, then they would call his name three times into the night as a form of remembering their sacrifice.

Typically, three fired cartridges are placed into the folded flag prior to presentation to the next of kin; the cartridges signify "duty, honor, and sacrifice."



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## June 2022 We Celebrate National Flag Week (June 12-18)



### 5 FACTS ABOUT FLAGS THAT WILL BLOW YOUR MIND

#### 1. Flags are studied

The study of flags is called vexillology, and those who study flags are vexillologists.

#### 2. Denmark's flag is the oldest

Denmark's flag is the oldest in the world and has been around since 1625.

#### 3. Sudan's flag is the newest

The Sudanese flag is the newest in the world — it was adopted in July 2010.

#### 4. Nepal's flag has a unique shape

Nepal's flag is the only flag in the world that is neither a rectangle nor a square.

#### 5. There are only two square flags

Only Switzerland and the Vatican City have square flags.



### What is flag day?

To commemorate the adoption of our flag, the Congress, by joint resolution approved August 3, 1949, as amended (63 Stat. 492), designated June 14 of each year as "Flag Day" and requested that the President issue an annual proclamation calling for its observance and for the display of the flag of the United States on all Federal Government buildings. The Congress also requested, by joint resolution approved June 9, 1966, as amended (80 Stat. 194), that the President issue annually a proclamation designating the week in which June 14 occurs as

"National Flag Week" and calling upon all citizens of the United States to display the flag during that week.

### A PRAYER FOR FLAG DAY

Our Flag is sacred to me. Today is a chance to renew our pledge of allegiance and devotion to our country, and an opportunity to offer a prayer that the Stars and Stripes may truly *Wave Forever*, over the *Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave*. May our leaders be blessed with wisdom and humility as they serve. May our citizens also be blessed with wisdom, and gratitude, and the courage to stand United "*under God*".

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**A Prayer for Hope:**

“The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the lord.” [1 Corinthians 15:56-58](#)

**Remember to always:**

Be Grateful, Give Thanks, Be Honest, Stay Humble, Be Kind, Laugh, Dream Big, Be You and always Love One Another.

*Blessings from*

*Chaplain Dan Pruett*

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### CAVARTS

By: John Evans

Hello veterans!

It is an honor and a privilege to belong to the American Legion here in Idaho. I am going on my 7<sup>th</sup> year, now as a member. I enjoy reading the newsletter to keep up with what is trending within our majestic and beautiful gem state ... Idaho!

As well, I belong to another magnificent group, and I am researching more of this type of creative outlet. With my PTSD I discover bouts of anger, mood swings, depression, and anxiety, but I have discovered several artistic & creative mediums that enthuse my creative side of my often-boring self. Allow me to share with you all.

This phenomenal group I belong to is called CAVARTS, and you may discover this group at <https://www.cavarts.org>. Let me explain a bit to you good people. I have been exploring my creativity for some time. Some artworks I have created presently is material and mediums I have not ever dreamed in my life I could artistically create. But here I am creating works of art. I even had work displayed in local and state galleries back home in Texas. CAVARTS is like a gallery / veteran community / peer support / and, lessons free to all Vets, and I believe family members, too.

You can provide a brief bio of yourself and have a Profile page describing any and all talents, skills, and lessons you embrace along with areas to display your work. It is a form as well i.e., advertising your creative nature. Art does not have to be that difficult and there within this growing community of creative veterans are some amazing people who support you as you are. Even if you're not creatively inclined you can join (for free), hang around the site and chat while enjoying another veteran's artwork.

A few of the mediums being offered as works of art are painting, photography, drawing in pencil, pen & ink, textiles, textile design work, CAD design & artwork, writing, poetry, jewelry-making, leather goods, music, carving, woodworking, and so much more. If you can think it into creativity then please join in on some great fellowship, creativity, and comradeship with other veterans.

CAVARTS can be a matter of self-respect and esteem, it can be, as I have learned, an avenue to forget what we can of the past, head on into a much brighter future, and meet a different type of success; spiritual, healing, and self-awareness forgetting trauma, and creating our own happiness. So, if you have wondered about hidden passions to be an artist, musician, writer, and poet, and even a visual arts collaborator, then perhaps this is a group for you. Give it a try, and you will create happiness in your own life, and maybe, become a star!

Best regards,

John Gregory Evans, USMC, 1971-1972. Veteran.

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# N7LGN—Post 113 Amateur Radio Club

By: Rich Dees



The N7LGN Radio Club will be participating in a national event on June 25, 2022. It's called field Day. That is where the members set up radio stations at places other than their home station location. We will be operating "portable" in that we will not be using commercial power and all the equipment must be set up with in a small circle. We will have at least three HF radio stations operating along with a Get On The Air station or GOTA. The idea is that we talk to as many stations as possible nationwide in a 24 hour period. It is demonstrating our ability to operate in emergency situations. The GOTA station is made to allow anyone to get on the air and talk to faraway places. We will have the proper licenses to host anyone visiting and help them get on the air. Additionally, if you would like to send a radiogram to anyone in the U.S., we can do that.

Guest speakers this month includes a discussion on Wires X...and specifically how to link our repeater into the rest of the world. Free pizza as always at the meetings and give-a-ways of some neat goodies.

Feel free to drop-in.

73

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# Legion Riders

The Treasure Valley Legion Riders came to our Post on their first of several stops for the day on May 14, 2022. They had breakfast and introduced our Post to the Rider folks who made the trip. Unfortunately, it was rainy and cool, so the numbers expected were down. Meridian Mayor Simison and Meridian Police Chief Basterrechea presented remarks to the crowd. The Riders departed by 11:30 on their way to Kuna where they were welcomed by Post 142. They visited four Posts during the day where the event was capped off with some auction items and give-a-ways. Several hundred dollars was raised for veterans during the event.



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# Membership Incentive

By: The State Membership Team

There are a couple membership incentives coming up next month. I will first go over the prizes then on to the requirements. This is for traditional Members only. PUFL's will not count in the challenge. Our retention percentage numbers were low this year and we transferred 875 DMS members into Posts. We are hoping to get a good jump on it.

Large Posts = 250 – and above = \$700.00

Medium large Posts = 150 -249 = \$500.00

Medium Small Posts 75 – 149 = \$350.00

Small Posts 10 -74 = \$200.00

We are sending out the 2023 cards this week so you will have them by the first of July and the 1<sup>st</sup> of the new membership year.

We will have an office cutoff date of July 13<sup>th</sup> when we will run a membership report for the posts that transmit online at 1000 hrs on July 13<sup>th</sup>.

When the new Commander is elected and the opportunity to hand in membership is made, we will collect membership at that time. We will take those memberships and combine them with the online to give us a current membership list. At which time we will have our winners which will be announced at the Commanders Banquet just after the raffle

*Editor Note: We have from now until July 13, 2022 to get as many renewals as possible.*

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## GIVE-A-WAY

By: Sue Morris <catalinablue@pacbell.net

Hi! We have a recliner (in great shape, dark green in color) that we'd like to donate to a veteran who may need one. Do you know of anyone? We can deliver it. (We live in Meridian).  
Thanks!

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