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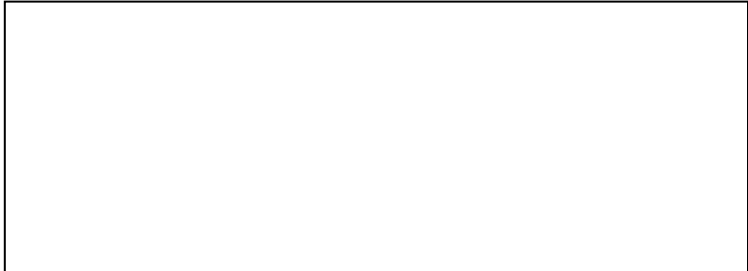


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**Next Post Meeting:  
Wed. July 14 at 6:00 pm  
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**GOOD GUYS CAR SHOW**

**AUGUST 13, THRU 15, 2021**



**COMING SOON THE SPOKANE INTERSTATE FAIR SEPTEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> THRU THE 19<sup>TH</sup> COME JOIN THE FUN**



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### COMMANDER'S CORNER



### COMRADES.

What a hot July. Hope everyone has enjoyed your summer. Thank you again for paying your dues on time.

We are planning many things but unless we get the participation, we cannot pay the bills. Please let us know what you would like us to offer.

There are now 5 beer taps. Three of which are revolving with IPA's and hard ciders.

We would be open more if we had the volunteers. Please stop by and say hellos to Laura or Cindy. We are closed on Tuesday and Wednesday, open 12-8 on Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. 12- 5 on Sundays. Thanks again for making last year a great year thru the pandemic. We are still not out of the woods yet, so please get your shots.

We are starting a new year. All our programs are now starting. If you could spare some time it would be greatly appreciated. Meeting are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday @ 6PM.

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If you are a Post 51 member in good standing on July 1, 2021, be sure to order your All-American post team hat by calling 1-833-839-8387. We will be having an All-American party in October time and date to be determined.

Everyone stay safe and come see us when you can.

Yours in comradeship.

David L Ware CMDR Post 51

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### **HASHMARK DEADLINE AUGUST 18<sup>TH</sup> BY 6PM**

**HASHMARK FOLD:  
AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup> AT 10AM**

**If you would PLEASE give us your e-mail Address we can send your Hashmark out and you will get it quicker.**

**Contact the Quarter Master**

### **FROM YOUR TREASURER**

#### **All Annual Auxiliary Members.**

This is a note to let you know that you will be receiving your dues notices around the first part of August. We are having the contest again. We will have 5 winners again, dues need to be in by October 1, 2021.

#### **Life Members Only.**

This is a reminder that you still need to pay your cancer insurance of \$6.60 a year.

Dona Feuz Treasurer

### PRESIDENT'S PEN



Sisters and Brothers

I hope you are all enjoying this summer and are keeping healthy and cool.

A big **thank you** to all who stepped up and helped at the Annual Swap Meet- **YOU ARE AWESOME.**

Don't forget the Good Guys Car Show coming up the weekend of August 13-14 and 15. Please leave your name at the bar, if you can help.

**It is hard to believe that the summer is half over.** With State convention behind us, we are starting to plan projects for this year. We hope you will be part of them.

Sisters and brothers, if you are an annual member, don't forget, your dues are now due to our treasurer, Dona Feuz.

I hope to see many of you at the Post during the next few months. Please, keep safe and keep cool,

Jean Rosado,  
Auxiliary President

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### CHAPLAINS CORNER

Well, the Department Convention is past.

Once more I was elected the Department of Washington Chaplain. I was also asked to join the Board of Directors for Heroes Homestead. We are starting a new year with promise and optimism.

This last year the Post obtained All American Status. This was a great achievement and could not have been obtained without the hard work of each Post member. We must now look to the future with the same optimism that we did last year.

The Covid challenges we faced last year are not with us this year. It is up to each post member to look to the future and see what they can do to make it better.

Yours in Comradship

Wes Anderson

Chaplain

### FAIR COMMITTEE

I want to thank each of the workers at the Early Ford Show. We had a rough start, but everyone stepped up and put their all into it.

A special thank you to Candy Curtis as she worked herself to death trying to get workers. I'm not sure what would have happened if she had said no.

So now it is time for the Good Guys Car Show. The date for this event is August 13<sup>th</sup> thru the 15<sup>th</sup>. And again, we will

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need a lot of help to make these a success.

And the grand finale will be the Interstate Fair. This will run from September 10<sup>th</sup> thru the 19<sup>th</sup>.

These events are what helps the Post to stay open and support our Veterans. Please volunteer if you can.

Carol Buxton Chairman

Why Did He Do It.

By Wesley Anderson Post 51 Chaplain

Some weeks ago, in my capacity I assisted in setting up Military Honors. In my dealings with the Family, I discovered that the Veteran had committed suicide. Why is unknown. He was a highly decorated US Army Veteran. A well-respected member of his community, a loving Father, and a loving Son.

Then why did he take his own life. We may never know. The members of his Family, and Community asked what we could have done, and why did he take his own life. What were the daemons that haunted him? He was seeking counseling. Then Why.

Veteran suicide is a growing issue and is a crisis that can only be improved through recognition and discussion in society. However, one part of the story that is rarely recognized is how deep its history goes.

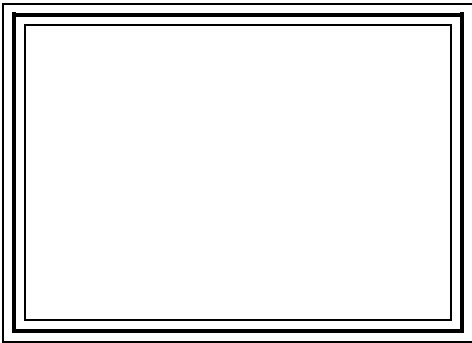
This problem is not one limited to a single country or point in time, nor is its importance limited to awareness days. Military suicide has occurred for centuries around

the world but has most often been overlooked or ignored. It is a difficult topic, yet, to save futures lives and pay respect to those who took their own lives, that history must be researched, acknowledged, and debated.

We must not forget the Women Veterans. The issue of suicide among women veterans is complex. Women in the military may deal with a complicated trauma history as well as greater scrutiny of their emotional state and mental health

Veterans Suicide is a pandemic, the same as Covid. How can we cure this pandemic? There is no vaccine. No fast cure. There are phone numbers and outreach facilities, and other ways to help combat this pandemic. The big question is how to get this information out to the Veterans in need. How do we help them in their time of need?

We as a community, have a moral obligation to see that all Men and Women Veterans within the community have all the resources to help combat this pandemic. The pandemic that has taken Veterans from their Friends and Families. These deaths have taken their toll on everyone. Unanswered questions. What could we have done; how could we have prevented it? What were the signs. All of these questions are almost unanswerable? We as a community must find the answers to these questions, and when we find them then we as a community must implement them. Simply put, men and women Veterans are dying. It is crucial that we as a community recognize this, discuss it, and face it. What it comes down to is one Veterans Suicide is one to many.



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**August 2021**

| Sunday                       | Monday  | Tuesday | Wednesday                         | Thursday  | Friday  | Saturday  |
|------------------------------|---|---------|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|
| 1<br>OPEN 12PM<br>OPEN POOL  | 2<br>OPEN 3PM<br>Bridge 12PM<br>Boy Scouts<br>6:30 PM   | 3       | 4                                 | 5<br>POKER 12 PM<br>FAIR MEETING 12PM   | 6<br>1:00 PM NCH<br>LUNCHEON  | 7<br>Bingo 1PM  |
| 8<br>OPEN 12PM<br>OPEN POOL  | 9<br>OPEN 3PM<br>PLANNING MEETING<br>4:30<br>CLUB BOARD 5:30PM  | 10      | 11<br>Post and Aux<br>Meeting 6PM | 12<br>POKER 12 PM<br>Perp for Good Guys<br>Car Show 10am<br><b>Set up for<br/>Wedding</b> | 13<br>GOOD GUYS CAR<br>SHOW<br>Wedding 5pm<br>DJ will be playing<br>and all are welcome | 14<br>GOOD GUYS CAR<br>SHOW<br>Bingo 1PM<br>SCHOOL OF<br>INSTRUCTION<br>1435 9AM-4PM  |
| 15<br>OPEN 12PM<br>OPEN POOL | 16<br>OPEN 3PM<br>Bridge 12PM<br>Boy Scouts<br>6:30 PM  | 17      | 18<br>Hashmark Due<br>6PM         | 19<br>POKER 12 PM   | 20  | 21<br>ALR MEETING<br>10AM<br>Bingo 1PM  |
| 22<br>OPEN 12PM<br>OPEN POOL | 23<br>OPEN 3PM<br>HASHMARK FOLD 10AM<br>BOY SCOUTS 6:30PM<br>Am Legion Meeting<br>6:00<br>PURPLE HEART 5:00PM | 24      | 25                                | 26<br>POKER 12PM  | 27  | 28<br>Bingo 1PM<br>Mary Lou<br>Kimsey<br>Memorial 1-4                                 |
| 29<br>OPEN 12PM<br>OPEN POOL | 30<br>OPEN 3PM<br>Bridge 12PM<br>Boy Scouts<br>6:30 PM  |         |                                   | VFW POST 51<br>327-9847<br><br>AMERICAN LEGION<br>POST #9<br>326-4168                     |    |  |

