



American Legion Post 196



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WELCOME TO AUTUMN AT POST 196

There will be plenty to do at your American Legion Post this fall and winter. Many great events are booked and more are planned. The best event recently has been the marriage of Commander Richard Jones to the former Kim Coleman. Kim is a member of the Ladies Auxiliary and has been a tireless and committed worker and participant in every event that has taken place at Post 196 and she is sure to be a great "First Lady" Congratulations to Rich and Kim! The Veteran's Day Parade will take place on Sunday November 6. Muster at Wasson Field and step off at 2PM. The Catholic War Vets from Derby will be joining us for the first time this year. We are hoping for the best parade ever with a lot of participation from all branches of our American Legion Family. All are welcome! On Veteran's Day, November 11, 2016 at 11:00 AM the traditional Wreath Laying Ceremony will commence at the World War One memorial and continue to all of the others. Again, all are invited to attend and be part of this solemn ritual.

The Sons of the American Legion will be hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday November 13 from 9:00AM until noon. Tickets are only \$5.00 each for a hearty pancake breakfast. The Sons were

proud participants on the Flags For The Vietnam Wall in which Post member Jim Knott was a great help and leader.

For a fun time plan to attend the November 19 “MEAT-O” event. This has been a great success in the past and is sure to be again.

Food will be served from 4:30 to 6:30 PM and will include a lobster roll platter for \$12.00 and a roast beef sandwich platter for \$8.00. The games will begin at 7:00PM. Come and enjoy!

The annual Children’s Christmas Party will take place on Sunday December 11 at 11:00 AM for kids up to 10 years old. Please sign yours up early so that we can assure every kid a gift. Snacks and entertainment are all part of the festivities.

A New Years Eve party is in the planning stages as we go to press. Final details will appear on the website as soon as they are finalized. You will notice that the website has been enhanced and upgraded thanks to our I.T. team of Chad Rose and Norm Lansing. Chairman of Trustees Bill Battaglia is always looking for more ways to make your visits to Post 196 better all the time. He is continuing to serve Happy Hour food on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 4:00PM along with our traditional Saturday noontime lunches. All are free to our members and guests. Bill has also initiated food at the Monthly General Meetings which are held on the third Tuesday of each month. The food is good and plentiful so come to the next meeting on November 15 at 7:00 PM and come hungry! Don’t forget that our beverage prices are the best around! Bill is accepting applications for part time bartender positions.

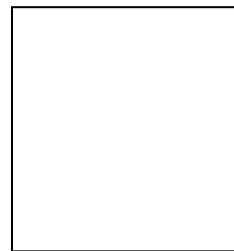
Sorry if you missed it but Historian and Legion Riders Officer Gary Deschene ran a fabulous Pig Roast event in October. He retained a new Pig Roast professional cook who provided the best food we have ever had at this event. Along with the cooked to perfection pork there were plenty of other main courses, sides, and dessert along with free beer and three kinds of wine. Gary has already booked the cook for next year and we are already looking forward to the event. In the meantime Gary and his crew are doing another Chili Cook Off on January 17, 2017. This has always been a fun event with a lot of participation from chili cooks and tasters. If you'd like to present your best recipe please plan to do so. As always, all are welcome to participate and enjoy the event.

Post member Lou Eden very successfully ran a firearms training course in October in which 21 people participated. The average passing grade was 91% with two participants scoring 100%. Lou is an expert himself and was glad to pass his knowledge along.

The Holiday Season is coming very soon. This time of year there are many solicitations for donations to various charities. Please be very careful and selective when you donate. Check them out for yourself. You can go to charitywatch.com or to the solicitor's website. There are many worthy of our support and many who are not. Make the wise choice.

Although American Legion Post 196 does NOT endorse any political candidates on any level. You do have the right and responsibility to make your choices on Election Day. You also have the right to participate in the processes at Post 196. Please do.

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Chaplain Robert Chenoweth	Service Officer James Roberts
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Meetings third Tuesday of each month at 7PM

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Meetings 2nd Tuesday of each month of each month

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