



American Legion - Post 196
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Commander's Corner – March 2023



As we move into March, we will have Daylight Savings time starting on the March 12, and Spring starts on March 20. Let's hope that the weather will start to warm up in March. In like a lion out like a lamb is an Almanac prediction.

We will have corned beef available at the post on March 11,12,17 and 18 by Chef Mike. The Milford St Patty's parade is March 11 at the normal parade route. Music is available on Friday nights 5-7 and kitchen is open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

Membership is the key to our success and the ability to voice our opinions to the city, state, and nation regarding Veterans rights. Membership will support all members of the Legion just as you had supported your service buddy. Having your buddy's back and they will have yours.

If you are able, please stop in the post and say hello. Golf Tournament is May 8th please join us.

If you do not have a 2023 card your membership has expired, and you are not supporting your fellow veterans. You also have no rights at the post. Contact us to keep your membership current.

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Important Dates:

Annual Picnic will take place 9/9/2023
Annual Golf Tournament 5/8/2023

Membership Info:

Our current membership is 515. Please continue to recruit new members – invite them to our post so they can see the great location and meet the wonderful members we have.

FYI, 2024 dues will be accepted starting July of 2023.

Polar Plunge:

Thanks to all who participated in our 3rd Annual Polar Plunge on 2/25. Together we raised over

\$13K for Tunnel to Towers. Special Thanks to Foran High School who donated and served soup and Walter Hagedorn for providing the heated tents. Also, thanks to our many volunteers who made the event such a success!!!



Always being right can be wrong.

Here's a simple question to ponder: "Do I think I'm always right?" Give an honest answer—no caveats. If I'm always right, then other people must be wrong. People with this mindset cannot accept that they can make mistakes. Hence, they will do everything in their power to show others that they are correct. There might be someone who really does know everything, but it's probably not the overbearing "I'm never wrong" person, widely derided as a "know-it-all."

Always being right can be wrong. It can turn people against you, stifle conversations and ideas, and make people want to avoid you.

You think you have all the answers, all the right answers, so you rush people through explanations without stopping to hear them out. Don't do that. Stop and truly listen. You may discover that you're not always right. You may discover, too, that being a better listener will not only make you a better colleague but will increase your expertise. It may

not make you charming and maybe other people won't change your mind, but if you listen carefully, at least you'll gain an understanding of why others don't share your opinions, don't think the way you do. Make it a point to keep an open mind when you're working with others. Give them some consideration, and your work may just gain that extra spark that takes it from good to great.

Unit 196 Auxiliary

The Auxiliary is busy planning for upcoming events and initiatives.

Welcome to all our new members and a reminder to get your renewals in as soon as possible. If you are experiencing financial hardship and need help with your dues, please reach out.

We will be collecting children's pajamas for the Connecticut Children's Hospital, watch for the drop box in the lounge. These need to be new pajamas and not used.

We also have our St. Patrick raffle basket active right now. As many of you know, this basket contains anything you might need to host a St. Pat's party. We are accepting donations for the basket and tickets are on sale or \$5 each.

Our famous Brunch will be held on April 23; further details coming soon.

We have been in touch with our Milford schools for Scholarships and Girls State, which will be held this year, June 24-29 at UNH. For further information visit: www.alalgs.org.

Our meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month, September through June. Thank you all for your great support, we appreciate you all!

American Legion Riders

Winter here in Connecticut is challenging when it comes to motorcycling, but this gives our dedicated group of patriots time to plan and organize upcoming events.

As representatives of Post 196, the riders historically have attended the Memorial Day and Veteran's Day parades here in Milford, as well as dedications at war memorials throughout CT and the Northeast. We also participate in fundraisers to benefit veterans and their families, as well as the needs of our community here in CT and across our great nation.

Our first event was a New Years Day ride to Old Saybrook and a visit to Post 113.

We have scheduled a Chili Cookoff here at the post, for April 16 @ noon.

Here in the newsletter, we will be posting all our upcoming events.

Let's Roll
ALR Historian

Valuable Links

Our Website	Milfordctvets.org
	Officers
	Veteran Solutions
	Events Calendar
Facebook	Legion Post 196
	Auxiliary
	Riders

Visit our [website](#) and our [Facebook](#) pages for all upcoming events. Remember that this is your post - please support and help this Post grow! The goal of Post 196 is to be here for our future generations of patriots. Thank you and God Bless America.

2023 March

Monthly Meetings held at Post 196:

Legion: Third Tuesday: 7pm

Riders: First Wednesday: 7pm

Auxiliary: Second Tuesday: 7pm

S.A.L.: Fourth Tuesday: 7pm

Current Lounge Hours

Monday	2pm to 10pm
Tuesday	2pm to 10pm
Wednesday	2pm to 10pm
Thursday	2pm to 10pm
Friday	1pm to Midnight
Saturday	11am to Midnight
Sunday	11am to 10pm

Our Memorial/Honor/Legacy Wall at the American Legion Post 196 to honor and celebrate our heroes and loved ones is growing strong.



Click on the brick to visit our website for more information on this program. A great present for a loved one.

POST 196 UPCOMING EVENTS

March

- Monday 6th Monday Night Dinner:
- Friday 10th Music by Steve Bettencourt
- Saturday 11th Milford St Patrick's Day Parade:
Corn Beef specials
- Friday 17th St. Patrick's Day: Corn Beef specials.
- Friday 17th No Music
- Saturday 18th, Legion will be serving corn beef dinners.
- Friday 24th Music by Take Two
- Friday 31st Music by Elwood

April

- Friday 7th SAL'S Famous Fish Fry!
- Sunday 16th Riders Chili Cookoff
- Sunday 23rd Auxiliary Award Winning Brunch!

WE ARE NOW Serving food FRIDAY 3-7, SATURDAY DAY 12-5, SUNDAY DAY 12-5