



American Legion - Post 196  
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[www.milfordctvets.org](http://www.milfordctvets.org)  
Facebook: [Legion](#), [Aux](#), [Riders](#)

## Commander's Corner – August 2022



Hope this newsletter finds everyone in good spirits and handling our present heat wave. We have started getting estimates to replace the flooring in the building. We hope to have this project completed after our annual picnic.

The picnic is scheduled for September 10, 2022, more details to follow our committee is in the process meeting and putting together details and a menu. We are always looking for volunteers to help before during and after the event. There is a sign-up sheet at the post.

We are in the process of forming an Honor Guard to respond to different local events. If you have an interest in being a part of this group, please reach out to the post. We are looking to have a 4-person Guard with one cadence caller. I would like to have a group of 8-10 people on the list. Always remember that the Final Salute program is always recruiting new members.

Our baseball program is winding down with all of teams in the playoffs they all had a great year. We had four teams this year on the field. We had one person go to Boys State leadership program this year

in June. The State Police youth week was cancelled this year

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*[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.*

Monthly Meetings held at Post 196:
<b>Legion:</b> Third Tuesday: 7pm
<b>Riders:</b> First Wednesday: 7pm
<b>Auxiliary:</b> Second Tuesday: 7pm
<b>S.A.L.:</b> Fourth Tuesday: 7pm

**2023 dues are now being accepted and there are a few options for payment:**

- Mail a check to the post
- Drop off a payment (be sure the envelope has your name and contact info on it)
- Online at [www.legion.org/renew](http://www.legion.org/renew)

## **Annual Picnic will take place 9/10/2022.**

Anyone wishing to be part of the planning committee, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the board.

### **Unit 196 Auxiliary**

The Auxiliary hosted our annual Shipwreck party and it was a blast. Everyone had a grrreat time at this super summer party. The Auxiliary will be collecting book bag items for the start of the school year. A list will be posted at the Legion. We also received a lovely thank you note from the young lady that was awarded a scholarship at Foran.

We hope everyone is enjoying a wonderful summer and look forward to seeing you at our meeting on 13th. Stay well!

God Bless America and our Legion Families.



### ***Why I love America***

When you love your country, you want to know all about her - when she was founded, how she came about and why.

So, let's go back in time to 1776, what we like to call the birth of our nation. America came to be because her colonists refused to give allegiance to a tyrant. We wanted freedom and we were willing to fight the strongest nation on earth to get it. And fight we did -

a terrible war. Thousands of men and women died fighting the British, but we prevailed, finally, after eight long years, and our beautiful country was born.

The taste of independence, freedom from tyranny, had been in the air and in the hearts of our Founding Fathers. These brave men had put their bold ideas on a parchment document, the Declaration of Independence, which stated clearly, All men are created equal with unalienable rights. After the war came the Constitution: Ours would be a government of the people, by the people and for the people.

The country that was born two hundred and forty six years ago still stands today. People risk injury and even death just to come here, to be a part of America. We are the most charitable country on earth. We are the country that millions of veterans have defended. Countless men and women have given their lives for this country, died to keep us free.

America lets me know who I am. I'm not a Democrat. I'm not a Republican. I'm not Black. I'm not white. I'm not Irish and I'm not Italian.

And yet I am all of these! I am an American. We are America, the land of the free and the home of the brave.

That's why I love my country.

God Bless America

*Your Chaplain*  
*Lou Eden*

### Valuable Links

Our Website	<a href="http://Milfordcvets.org">Milfordcvets.org</a>
	<a href="#">Officers</a>
	<a href="#">Veteran Solutions</a>
	<a href="#">Events Calendar</a>
Facebook	<a href="#">Legion Post 196</a>
	<a href="#">Auxiliary</a>
	<a href="#">Riders</a>

Our Memorial/Honor/Legacy Wall at the American Legion Post 196 to honor and celebrate our heroes and loved ones is growing strong. We are currently at 188 bricks!



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

Proceeds benefit local veterans programs.

### Current Lounge Hours

		Food Times
Monday	2pm to 10pm	
Tuesday	2pm to 10pm	
Wednesday	2pm to 10pm	
Thursday	2pm to 10pm	
Friday	2pm to Midnight	4pm to 7pm
Saturday	11am to Midnight	12pm to 5pm
Sunday	11am to 10pm	12pm to 5pm