



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

Commander's Corner – June 2022



We can leave old man winter behind and the Covid outbreaks as well. This month we have our Election for our board of officers. Post 196 veteran members in good standing can run for elected officer positions. There is a nomination sheet on the bulletin board. The election will take place on June 21, 2022, at our next regular meeting. Be a part of the meeting. Bring your membership card. If you have not been sworn into the American Legion, we perform that ceremony at every regular meeting.

Membership is improving at every meeting we are bringing in an average of ten new and transferred members. We now have 504 members and are 106% of our state set goal of 475. Our Sons of The Legion now has 127 members, the Riders has 72, and the Auxiliary has over 100. Again, our strength is in our membership encourage any friends or neighbors who qualify to join.

We have rebuilt the upper deck with new decking and rebuilt the rails and replaced the buntings. Remember that we have live music on Friday nights from 5-7 and our kitchen is open Friday night and Saturday and Sunday for lunch. Chef Mike always has some tasty culinary treats available. My favorite are the ribs on Sunday.

We now feature Tribus Pale Ale brewed in Milford as well as five other draft beers.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve all those who have served!

Tom Jackson Commander East Shore American Legion Post 196.

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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:
Legion: Third Tuesday: 7pm
Riders: First Wednesday: 7pm
Auxiliary: Second Tuesday: 7pm
S.A.L.: Fourth Tuesday: 7pm

Thank you, Monica Gerard, for the upkeep of the beautiful flower planters at the post.

Be sure to let us know if you have a change of address so we can update the legion database.

Unit 196 Auxiliary

We've had a busy and productive month at the Unit 196 Auxiliary. We continue to welcome new members, while achieving 100% membership - Go Patty Paris! President Mary-Ellen Breen continues to embrace her district commitments attending the following meetings: District Meeting, Fish Fry, DECC Meeting, Dedication. We continue to break records in the service area with over 800 hours and \$12K reported by only a fraction of our membership. We have 2 people being considered for the coveted Betty Shea award for service. A committee will be making the final selection at our June meeting (which is our final meeting of this year).

Keep the Shipwreck Party on your calendar! July 16, it is sure to be a grrrrreat time! A carload of supplies for women and children for the Homes of the Brave were delivered on Tuesday May 31. They were extremely grateful and especially loved that we thought about the kids. Thank you all!

We have a few initiatives that we are considering for over the summer: Boxes to Boots to send items to Soldiers overseas. In July and August, we will be collecting School supplies. We had a nice turnout for the Memorial Day parade, thank you to all marchers! Thank you to all those Auxiliary members that helped with the Legion's annual golf tournament. Your support helped to make it the tremendous success that it was. A big thank you to the Legion for the beautiful new deck and furniture which is sure to be enjoyed by all! HAPPY JUNE!

God Bless America and our Legion Families.



A fourth of July Prayer

Dear God, we thank you for the bountiful blessing you have bestowed on us. Guide us in being stewards of these gifts. Let us care for all of your beautiful creation. From the redwood forest to the gulf stream waters. Make us instruments of your peace in order to put an end to rockets red glare and bombs bursting in air. Help us to love and care for all of our neighbors, here and around the world so that we might be truly crowned with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

Your Chaplain
Lou Eden

Valuable Links

Our Website	Milfordcivets.org
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Sons of the American Legion

The Sons are doing extremely well! Membership is up and we have more new members joining the SAL. Just recently we processed 10 new members and are up approximately 30 members so far this year.

We had a good turnout for the Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast in May and in June the Sons are hosting a Pancake Breakfast at the Post from 9:00 to noon on Sunday June 19th! We'll be serving pancakes (blueberry and regular, sausage, bacon orange juice and coffee. Free to all fathers and children under 10!

The Sons started a project with the aid and insight of Dan Sefcik called the Tattered Flag Project. The program is to replace, free of charge, a tattered flag that a Milford business may be flying. How the program works, if you're not familiar, a Son will approach a business in Milford when he notices that they're flying a tattered flag and will offer to replace their flag. The Son that makes first contact with the business is responsible for obtaining the flag and replacing the flag. The tattered flag is then brought to the Legion and put in the retired flag bin. We have already done a couple businesses in Milford and just recently, we replaced the flag at Milford Collision Center on New Haven Avenue. They were extremely appreciative and thanked the Legion and the Sons for offering to do this.

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

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 184 bricks!



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.