



**THE AMERICAN LEGION**  
DEPARTMENT OF MONTANA  
PARK POST NO. 23 (INC.)

Greetings Members,

February 2, 2021

Well, the old year limped out and the new year is crawling in with a lot of uncertainty.

We hope you all survived 2020 and 2021 will be brighter. Park Post 23 pulled through in fairly good shape considering all the restrictions and so forth.

Our Honor Guard has been active with performing Veterans honors at funerals and grave services and expect to see even more this summer with the postponement during the pandemic. If you are interested in participating with the Honor Guard or Color Guard contact the Post at 222-1052.

We do not know how many events we will be able hold due to restrictions but are hoping for a Saturday event most months. We held a Chili Cook Off and Corn Hole event January 23<sup>rd</sup>, and plan to hold a Super Bowl event February 7<sup>th</sup>, Valentine's Day Dinner (prime rib and crab) February 14<sup>th</sup>, Legion Birthday celebration March 17<sup>th</sup>. March 29<sup>th</sup> is also Vietnam Remembrance Day. We could not hold an event for this last year as we had in the past, so hopefully we can have a dinner for this important day this year.

We will be nominating officers at our March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting (7 PM). ANYONE interested in becoming an officer, please step forward and contact one of our current officers. We would gladly accept any new blood in our officer positions. New blood brings new ideas and new enthusiasm to the post. Election of Officers is conducted during our April meeting. Installation is performed at the May meeting. All regular monthly meetings are held the second Tuesday at 7 PM.

Please become active and come see what our Legion has to offer.

Ed Gilbert, American Legion Park Post 23 Commander, 406-220-4700

We thank everyone who purchased a brick for the front of the building. Exterior work will resume when weather permits this spring. Planning to solicit for donations with poppies in the stores this year unless things get worse, and we are not allowed. Regular meetings to resume on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays at 7PM.

Jackie Gangstad, Park American Legion Auxiliary Unit 23 President

The Riders will be hosting a corn beef and cabbage (potatoes and carrots) dinner for St Patrick's Day, March 17<sup>th</sup>. We really need more members in the riders. You only need to love to ride, and be a member of the Legion, Auxiliary, or SAL to join the Riders. Meeting first Wed each month at 6:30PM. We are still selling Rada Cutlery, if interested you can look at a catalogue at the Legion.

Scott Kautzman, Park American Legion Rider Chapter President, 406-224-5200

Looking for new leadership to help with the Sons of the Legion (SAL). Elections will be in April. Current Commander has held his position for about 5 years. New blood can make significant change to the good. If interested in becoming an officer in the SAL, please leave a message at the legion for the SAL Commander. Monthly meetings are the Thursday after the Legion meeting, at 7PM.

Roy Davis, Park Squadron 23 Commander

We thank our members, partner groups and friends for their efforts and support. Even though we have not been able to do our normal fundraising activities, the hard work and donations from members and friends mean that Park Post 23 has made it this far during the economic downturn to stay financially viable and continue to support Veterans and our community where we can. We thank you all and look forward to being able to again do all our normal services and fundraising activities. Check our website at [www.americanlegionlivingstonmt.com](http://www.americanlegionlivingstonmt.com) or on Facebook page "Parkpost23" for updates and emerging events.

Bob Meacham, Finance Officer

We delivered toys to the fire station for Christmas, assisted Veterans, and handed out gift cards to Veterans. We supported many events to include funeral honors for Veterans, memorial ceremonies for various events, and highway cleanup. I maintained highway crosses for Park County.

Darren Bergsing, Servicer Officer and Honor Guard Commander, 406-224-2965

Our membership drive for 2021 is still ongoing, and some members have let their membership lapse. We thank all 149 members who have paid their 2021 dues. We need 21 more renewals to meet our goal of 170 members. If you have not paid for 2021, please send in \$40.00 to PO Box 826, Livingston, MT 59047, or stop by the Legion to drop it off. If you have paid and have not received your 2021 membership card, please let me know. I am considering setting up an email chain to provide updated information each month. If you have not received an email from me in the past two weeks, or do not believe your profile in [mylegion.org](http://mylegion.org) has your correct email address please contact me to tell me or text the correct information. I can correct your information if it is not correct.

Marjean Stubbert, Adjutant, 808-383-0854

COVID-19 shots coming available for Veterans through the VA. For current information visit <https://www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine/> for updates to COVID-19 vaccine information.

Legion is open Mon 3PM, Tues-Thurs 11 AM, Fri and Sat 3PM. Lunches still served Tuesday through Thursday from 11AM to 2PM. Fridays still cooking burgers and dogs 5 to 8PM.

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