# STAHL POST 30 NEWS

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#### Commander's Corner

By Vic Callahan

We have a few members who have reached the milestone of 50 years of continuous membership. They have earned a 50 year pin, a certificate from the American Legion, and our appreciation for supporting Stahl Post 30. These distinguished members include George Fakis, Mahlon B Fegley, Russell A Jordan, and James H Maxwell. If they don't come into the Post, I will have the awards sent to them.

The biggest item of interest to the members happened on 10 February. Most of the Legion's officers along with several Sal officers meet at the site of the new Post. Shortly after 8 am, I was allowed to begin to dig the footings for Stahl's new home construction. It was a great honor for me to dig the first dirt hole for the footing. I was also present for the concrete pour later that afternoon. We used chrome shovels to dig with the officers present, with several photographs which are shown on page 3 of the newsletter. I was joined by Commander Ted Christopher, and Commander Bob Anderson. The seven year old chrome shovels used were taken back to the post still covered with dirt, and sprayed with a clear polyurethane to memorialize the occasion.

Remember the Veteran Commemorative Flag Program at Stahl. Applications are at the Post now. I am working on some for myself, and I know a member has already submitted one for Stahl Post itself. This is a great opportunity to honor any veteran, with the flag's planned display. All funds will be dedicated for use in building the new Post building and or equipment.

Thank you all again who support or participate in our Legion. You are the Legion family.

#### SALS

By Stan Lawruk Jr

Our next meeting is 2/16/21 at 6:30

Still need members to renew membership for 2021. Be safe, hopefully we'll all be vaccinated soon.



#### **Auxiliary**

By Lisa Prosachik

Well, the Ides have it. The Ides of March that is. The third month of the year already. Saint Patty's Day is right around the corner. The day when most people choose to be Irish. Erin go bragh, green beer, green hair and a little Irish Step Dancing also known as the Riverdance. Be safe no matter where you choose to celebrate this day. Small gathering, masks and social distancing are the key.

The Ladies Auxiliary meetings remain on hold at this time. Hopefully, soon, we can get back to some sort of normalcy.

We ask that you get your membership dues in. Dues are \$25.00. For those of you who have already paid, we Thank You! You may drop off your dues off at the Post.

Ladies, please remember, if you have any input for the Ladies Auxiliary section of the monthly newsletter, please feel free to contact me (Lisa) at 302-325-9172 or you can drop of your input at the Post. Thank You! HAPPY ST. PATTY'S DAY!!!

PLEASE STAY SAFE AND BE WELL.

### Shuffle Board Update

By Lisa Prosachik

Nothing new to report—league still on hold.

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### Saint Patrick's Day

Saint Patrick's Day, feast day is March 17.

St. Patrick is the patron saint of Ireland. He was born in Roman Britain in the late

4th century. He was kidnapped at the age of 16 and taken to Ireland as a slave. He escaped, but returned about 432 to convert the Irish to Christianity.



By the time of his death on March 17, 461, he established monasteries, churches, and schools throughout Ireland. Many legends grew up around him—for example, that he drove the snakes out of Ireland and used the shamrock to explain the Trinity.

Ireland came to celebrate his day with religious services and feasts.

### **Daylight Savings Time**

By Calendar.com



Daylight Savings Time (DST) formally happens every year on the second Sunday of March, at 2 a.m. At his time we "Spring Forward" one hour. This change happens at 2 a.m because it causes

the least disruption to everyday life.

There is some debate regarding the origins of Daylight Saving Time, as a few different people seem to have had the same idea throughout history. The first record of a suggestion to change the clocks is attributed to Benjamin Franklin while living in Paris in 1784. Franklin's suggestion was not that the clocks change, but actually that people change their schedules to better adjust to nature's cycles.

Over a century later, 1895, a man called George Hudson proposed something more similar to the modern Daylight Saving Time. Then in 1905, William Willet, who is credited with inventing Daylight Saving Time, noticed that people in London slept in late during the Summer, thus wasting daylight hours. In his proposition titled "Waste of Daylight," he proposed advancing the clocks 20 minutes every Sunday in April and then changing them back in October. His idea was not accepted.

With the coming of World War II, President Roosevelt instituted what he called "War Time", which meant that DST was in effect all year round starting in 1942. This lasted until 1945.

In 1974 President Nixon officially signed a law stating that clocks would be set ahead from January until the beginning of October. This was amended in to October 25. Until 2005 Daylight Saving Time was observed from the first Sunday in April until the last Sunday in October. President George W. Bush ordered it to be extended for four weeks, and in 2007 Daylight Saving Time was officially set to run from the second Sunday of March until the first Sunday of November.

Now you know more than you wanted to know about Daylight Savings Time.

#### Medal of Honor Day

National Medal of Honor Day is observed on March 25, and it honors the recipients of the United States' most prestigious military decoration. The President of the United States awards the Medal of Honor in the name of the United States Congress to those who have distinguished themselves through acts of valor. How did this come about?

This military decoration was first signed into law by



President Abraham Lincoln. It is a permanent decoration that any member of the United States military can receive, and is awarded to any person who distinguishes themselves in combat at risk of life beyond the call of duty. Unlike other military distinctions, the Medal of Honor is not

pinned on the recipient, but it is worn around the neck.

On November 15, 1990, George H. W. Bush signed a law that officially established March 25 as National Medal of Honor Day, to be observed annually. The first National Medal of Honor Day was commemorated in 1991.

As of 2020, there have been 3,507 Medals of Honor awarded to those who have distinguished themselves by acts of valor, 618 of which were awarded posthumously. Only one woman has ever received the Medal of Honor: Mary Edwards Walker, a doctor who volunteered as a surgeon in the Army during the Civil War.

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## Vietnam War Veteran Remembrance Day

This special day was officially observed as a onetime event by President Obama's proclamation, on the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War on March 29, 2012. This day was chosen as it was the day in 1973 when the last American Prisoners of War were safely returned to the United States,



In 2016, the Vietnam Veterans Day Coalition of States Council petitioned President Trump to establish March 29 as National Vietnam War Veterans Day. On March 28, 2017, President

Trump signed the Vietnam War Veterans Recognition Act of 2017, officially marking March 29 as National Vietnam War Veterans Day, as well as determining this is a day where the US flag should be specially flown.

The Vietnam War is known as the most divisive conflict that we have been involved in. Our troops returned home to hatred and disdain for their service and dedication to the United States. We hope this day brings recognition and respect to our brothers and sisters that served during this difficult time and realize we honor their service and thank them!









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## **Events Calendar February 2021**

February 2021							
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	
7 Legion Riders Meeting	8	9 Legion Meeting 6:30 pm	10	11	12	13 New Moon	
14 Auxillary Meeting 3 PM (HOLD)  Daylight Savings Starts	15  Stille Form Saving	16 SALS Meeting 6:30 PM	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	Spring Starts  thello	
21	22	23	24	25 Medal of Honor Day	26	27	
28 Full Moon	Vietnam Veterans Day	30	31		CANTEEN HOURS  Sunday - Wednesday: Closed  Thursday: 2pm - 10 pm  Friday - Saturday: Noon to Midnight  Hours are subject to change based on the state guidance and member participation.		