



YELLOWSTONE POST 4
1540 BROADWATER AVENUE • BILLINGS, MT



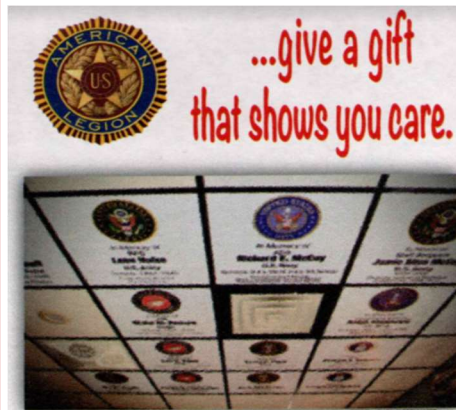
QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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April - June 2022

Dates to Remember

- 4/5 – Gold Star Spouses’ Day
- 4/9 – National Former POW Recognition Day
- 4/14 – Air Force Reserve Birthday
- 4/17 – Easter Sunday
- 4/23 – Army Reserve Birthday
- 4/28 – Take Our Kids to Work Day
- 4/30 – Nat’l Military Brats’ Day
- May is National Military Appreciation Month
- 5/5 – Nat’l Day of Prayer
- 5/6 – Nat’l Nurses’ Day
- 5/6 – Military Spouses’ Appreciation Day
- 5/7 – Nat’l Explosive Ordinance Disposal Day
- 5/8 – Mothers’ Day
- 5/8 – Victory in Europe (VE) Day
- 5/15 – Peace Officers Mem’l Day
- 5/20 – Nat’l Defense Transportation Day
- 5/21 – Armed Forces Day
- 5/30 – Memorial Day
- 6/6 – D-Day
- 6/12 – Women Veterans’ Day
- 6/14 – Army Birthday / Flag Day
- 6/19 – Juneteenth
- 6/19 – Fathers’ Day
- 6/20 – American Eagle Day
- 6/23 – Coast Guard Auxiliary Bday
- 6/27 – PTSD Awareness Day



Introducing:
LOOKIN’ UP
 Custom Printed Ceiling Tiles

AMERICAN LEGION
 Post #4
 Billings, MT

RAISE FUNDS
 HONOR FELLOW MILITARY



These tiles will be displayed in your lounge area as a reminder for everyone to see and you will also be helping to raise funds for your organization. Ask an officer for an order form today and everyone will be "lookin' up" to you, a friend, relative or loved one.

TILE ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

Here is how you can participate in this program and help raise funds for a worthy cause for your Legion and at the same time, honor a fellow warrior. For a one time charge, you can have a ceiling tile on display in your club room for all to view & appreciate.

Simply fill out a form and submit with your payment to an officer at the Legion and you can have a tile on display in a very short time.

IT'S THIS SIMPLE;

- 1 - Ask for an order form from any server in the club room and fill out the information in complete detail.
- 2 - **Be sure the details on the tile are correct. We are not responsible for errors.**
- 3 - Include a fax or e-mail address so we can send you a proof. (If you have no fax or e-mail, choose **none** and we will send the proof to your Legion Representative.)
- 4 - Make payments to: **American Legion Post #4. Sorry, we do not accept credit cards.**
- 5 - Follow details for tile info as there are no exceptions. We reserve the right to refuse comments or statements considered unacceptable by your Legion officers.
- 6 - Be sure to type or print legibly as it saves time when placing your order. If we cannot read your order correctly, it will be delayed.

Bonus Gift Idea - You can have a duplicate tile for your den or recreation room or a 12" x 12" framed wall hanging of your tile for an additional \$40 each. Simply add it to your order form. PROCEEDS ALSO GO TO YOUR POST.

Sample 2' x 2' Tile

(A) Photo* or Military Insignia	
(B) 'In Memory of' or 'In Honor of'	In Memory of
(C) Rank	Private First Class
(D) Full Name	John Hero
(E) Branch of Service	United States Army
(F) Time served	Served - 1986-xxxx
(G) Option; A simple phrase in 12 words or less in your own words.	This space in 12 words or less reserved just for you.

*Additional charge applies

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ADJUTANT’S NOTES

The April Meeting (April 18th) will be elections of Post Officers. Please plan on coming to the meeting. We meet at Post 4, 1540 Broadwater Avenue in the Yellowstone Room (upstairs conference room). If you have not renewed your membership, dues are now considered past due for 2022. Our renewals are at 75% so if you have not paid, please mail or drop off to the Post, or renew online. Thank you, Don Clair

HONOR GUARD

During these stressful times, it is even more important for the grieving families of departed veterans to experience the solace and respect shown by having our honor guard in attendance at services. Sometimes we are the only ones who remember exactly how much those veterans put on the line in serving their country. We desperately need more shooters/members for our Honor Guard at this time. So if you have the time and the constitution to serve, would you please sign up for the Guard. It would mean a lot for those sorrowing families to see fellow service members in attendance. Call or email me.

Thank you, Al Hager
406.861.8330 bartrlc@centurylinknet

Post 4’s Honor Guard provided the following Burial Honors for Jan-Feb 2022:

Army: Aubrey Kitchens Jr, Gordon Demaray, Joel Henerix, and Sterling Arneson

Navy: Ed Hudson, William Schultz, and Dick Reisbig



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

Spring is here and with it comes a full calendar of events for our upcoming riding season. I would really like to see some good support & turnout from our Riders this season.

Our annual season-long Riding for Vets fundraiser is being re-vamped this year and we’ll be discussing how that works at our monthly meetings.

May 31 – Memorial Day Honor Ride to three local cemeteries; we’d like to potentially do five cemeteries.

June 24-25 – 2nd Annual Ride for Tomorrow. We co-host this ride with Dog Tag Buddies, the Tenacious Dames Billings Chapter, and, newly added this year, the Suicide Prevention Coalition of Yellowstone Valley. This will consist of 4 ride options – a 1,500-mile Bun Burner Ride, a 1,000-mile Iron Butt ride, a 500-mile ride, and a 300-mile ride. We’re hoping for bigger & better success than last year in adding miles to the conversation of suicide awareness & prevention.

July 23 – Ride for Respect Special Olympics Ride in Billings

August 20 – Ride to Remember from Helena to West Yellowstone along the POW/MIA Memorial Highway

August 20 – Ride for Respect Special Olympics Ride in Butte

Our meetings are on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. Remember, any Legion, Auxiliary, or Sons of the AL member can also be a Rider. Please like & follow our Facebook page to get updated event information; search for: American Legion Riders Chapter 4 – Yellowstone Chapter.

Gil Floyd, Director
Yellowstone American Legion Riders
406-855-7599



POST 4 MONTHLY EVENTS

- American Legion Meeting – Every 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m.
- Executive Board Meeting – Every 3rd Monday at 6:00 p.m.
- Legion Riders Meeting – Every 2nd Monday at 6:00 p.m.
- Pool League – Every Monday & Thursday
- Dart League – Every Wednesday
- Cornhole – Every Wednesday & Sunday in Yellowstone Room

Find us Online!

Like us on Facebook & keep up to date with our Post events ... Search for: **American Legion Post 4**

LEGION HALL RENTAL

Post 4 has TWO Banquet Halls (with bar) available to rent for special functions. Please contact Maria Rivera at 406-671-4598 for more info.



National Military Appreciation Month (NMAM) is celebrated every May and is a declaration that encourages U.S. citizens to observe the month in a symbol of unity.

NMAM honors current and former members of the U.S. Armed Forces, including those who have died in the pursuit of freedom. May is characterized by six national observances highlighting the contributions of those who have served.

May 1st is Loyalty Day for loyalty to the USA & the heritage of American Freedom; First full week in May is Public Service Recognition Week; May 8th is Victory In Europe (VE) Day to recognize the end of WWII in Europe; May 6th (Friday before Mother’s Day) is Military Spouse Appreciation Day; May 21st (3rd Saturday in May) is Armed Forces Day to thank our military members for their patriotic service in support of our country; and May 30th (last Monday of May) is Memorial Day to commemorate the men & women who died while in service to our country. There are other May observances, too: May is the month of the Military Caregiver, May 1st is Silver Star Service Banner Day; May 2nd (1st Tuesday in May) is Giving Tuesday, which is a global day of giving & unity; May 6th (1st Friday in May) is the National Day of Prayer; and May 13th is Children of Fallen Patriot’s Day.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

We would really like to be more inclusive of and see more activity from our Post 4 Legion members. If you have any ideas about how we can achieve this, please let us know by sending us an email: Adjutant Don Clair:

alyellowstonepost4@gmail.com or

Past-Commander Gil: gils2002hd@yahoo.com

POST 4’s

MESS HALL

KITCHEN HOURS



Monday: 5:00-9:00 PM **Tuesday:** Closed
Wednesday/Thursday/Friday: 5:00-9:00 PM
Saturday: 2:00-9:00 PM (depending on events)
Sunday: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Brunch
 & 2:00-9:00 PM Regular Menu

NEW BAR HOURS STARTING IN MAY:

Monday – Friday: 5:00 PM ‘til closing
Saturday & Sunday: 11:00 AM ‘til closing

NEW KITCHEN HOURS STARTING IN MAY:

Monday & Friday: 5:00 PM ‘til closing
Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday: Closed
Saturday & Sunday: 1:00 PM – 7:00 PM unless there’s a specialty brunch or fundraiser

COMMANDER’S CORNER

Welcome members. As I have stepped in as the temporary Acting Commander, I feel it's time to let you know what's going on at the post.

To begin with it is time for elections. Nominations are open for Post Commander, Vice Commander, and a few other positions. If you have a suggestion, please submit it.

Next, please visit the post. Our members are always welcome even if you are unable to attend a meeting. Remember, this is YOUR post and the more participation we get for any and all events the bigger and better we can be.

The bar has many events planned for the year and we would love to see you there.

Thank you for your service and help.

Jay Adams



UPCOMING BAR FUNCTIONS

- 4/19 @ 5:00 PM – Taco Tuesday for the Scarlets
- 4/22 @ 5:00 PM – 22-a-Day Fish Fry Buffet
- 4/20 @ 8:00 AM – Roysdon Hall Academy Day
- 5/5 @ 5:00 PM – Cinco de Mayo Taco Party
- 5/13-15 – Softball Kick-off
- 5/22 @ 10:00 AM – 22-a-Day Breakfast Brunch
- 6/17-19 – State Farm Softball Tournament
- 6/22 @ 5:00 PM – 22-a-Day Dinner Buffet
- 6/25 – Ride for Tomorrow Suicide Awareness Fundraiser

In honor of the “22 a Day” movement for recognition of military/veteran suicide, Post 4’s Mess Hall will begin offering a special dinner buffet on the 22nd of every month.

We want to hear from YOU!

Do you have comments or ideas to submit to the newsletter?

Email Gil Floyd at gils2002hd@yahoo.com.

The deadline for the next newsletter is June 10th.

POST 4 DIRECTORY

AMERICAN LEGION OFFICERS

Commander Drew Danforth
Vice Commander Jay Adams
Adjutant Don Clair
Chaplain Daniel Stetler
Finance Officer Rick Friez
Sergeant-at-Arms Ryan Parsons
Lifetime Honorary SAA ... Matt Grandpre

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EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

Gil Floyd, Past Commander
Jim Salsbury
Derald Thiessen



**Legion Meetings
are EVERY 3rd
Monday at
7:00 p.m.
Please join us!**

A pink sticky note with a blue pushpin at the top left corner. The word "Reminder!" is written in a large, black, cursive font across the note.

AMERICAN EAGLE DAY

Celebrated annually on June 20th, the observance commemorates the day in 1782 when the bird was added to the official Seal of the United States. The eagle is depicted holding an olive branch in its right talon & 13 arrows in its left, which symbolize the US’s commitment to peace & readiness for war, while the number 13 refers to our original states. In addition to being an important national symbol, bald eagles also have significant value in many Native American cultures & religions, where they signify freedom, strength, honesty, wisdom, & power. The first American Eagle Day was proclaimed as an observance by President Bill Clinton in 1995.