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Post meetings held the 2nd Monday of each month in the Veterans Hall at 7:30 p.m.
All members are invited to attend.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 4	Proclamation for Arbor Day Signing – State Capitol Great Hall	10:30 a.m.
May 7	Post 1 Executive Meeting	6:00 p.m.
May 14	Loyd Spetz Post Meeting	7:30 p.m.
May 28	Memorial Day Event – Heritage Center	9:45 a.m.
Jun 21-26	American Legion Department State Convention	

Proclamation for Arbor Day

The ND Department of Forestry has dedicated this year’s celebration to the veterans of WWI and will promote the planting of trees in their honor on this day.

SLATE OF OFFICERS

The new slate of officers will be sworn in at the May meeting, May 14, 2018

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

The American Legion was chartered by Congress on September 16, 1919 as a patriotic veteran’s organization, focusing on service to veterans, service members and communities. The first National Convention was held in Minneapolis on November 11, 1919. The Centennial Celebration is not only about honoring the past 100 years of our history, but also preparing to continue our legacy of service.

The celebration kickoff event will happen at the Annual American Legion Department Convention June 21-26, 2018 at the Holiday Inn on Saturday, June 23rd.

2:00 p.m. Bouncy Houses, Dunk Tank, Carnival Games and Food

8:00 p.m. Concert by Post Traumatic Funk Syndrome

Department Convention:

If you plan on attending the Department Convention, please contact the post at post1midconetwork.com or 258-3101.

TAPS

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History – The American Legion Emblem

The Emblem of the American Legion, it is your badge of distinction, honor and service. It stands for God and Country, and the highest rights of man. Of its several parts, each has a meaning.



The rays of the sun form the background of our proud emblem and suggests the Legion's principles will dispel the darkness of violence and evil.



The wreath forms the center, in loving memory of those brave comrades who gave their lives in the service of the United States that liberty might endure



The star, victory symbol of World War I, also symbolizes honor, glory and constancy. The letters “U.S.” leave no doubt as to the brightest star in the Legion’s star.



The larger of two outer rings stands for the rehabilitation of our sick and disabled comrades. The smaller inside ring denotes the welfare of America’s children.



The smaller of two inner rings set upon the star represents service to our communities, states and the nation. The larger outer ring pledges loyalty to Americanism.



The words American Legion tie the whole together for truth, remembrance, constancy, honor, service, veterans affairs and rehabilitation, children and youth, loyalty, and Americanism.