



Labor Day
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DAV DISPATCH

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Driscoll Sibley Park Mowing Season Ends for 2023

It has been a prolific growing season for crops and other vegetation, including grass, thanks to timely and sufficient rain. It also means the grass at Driscoll Sibley Park has been growing faster than usual, creating a challenge to keep up with the mowing. But our dedicated volunteers were up to the task, logging 87 hours to keep the park looking good. This has been one of our main community service projects during the past five years. The park has military historical significance. As a point of interest, there is a time capsule at the park. The time capsule is scheduled to be opened in June 2024, after being buried for 50 years.



Seasonal Flu Shots Now Available at Bismarck VA Clinic

The warm weather can easily make us forget that flu season is coming up soon. The VA is offering flu shots to veterans when they have their medical appointments. It is the traditional seasonal flu shot. It does not contain MRNA-based technology. The VA will once again offer a drive-through flu shot clinic at the Gateway Mall parking lot. New COVID shots will also be available soon. Dates will be announced in the near future and we will send the information by email.

Veterans Receive Assistance at Stand Down Event

The Central Dakota Stand Down at the Bismarck AMVETS Club was another highly successful event. The event was conducted on August 24th. Services were provided to 110 veterans (including two homeless veterans) and 17 family members. Although the primary focus was to provide assistance to those who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or otherwise in need, the event was open to all veterans. Assistance was provided in the areas of employment, veterans benefits, medical screenings, and community services. More than 40 agencies participated in the Stand Down.

Chaplain Chats

Jesus emphasized the importance of serving others, showing compassion, and practicing forgiveness, fostering an environment where everyone works together for the greater good. In our DAV mission to support our veterans, we find strength in the full body of Christ Jesus. As we come together, our collective impact grows, and our ability to make a positive change in the lives of those who have sacrificed for our nation strengthens. Let us continue to spread the word about the invaluable work DAV does, inviting others to join us on this journey of compassion and advocacy. Through increasing our active membership, we not only enhance our ability to provide essential services, but we also amplify the voice of our veterans, ensuring their needs and rights are heard and upheld. We are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity. As we move forward, let's remember that every individual who joins the DAV/DAVA honors our commitment to that purposeful driven mission and the way of love with Jesus.

Yours in Christ, Leslie Ross, Chaplain



Message from the Commander



Fall is definitely in the air. Daylight hours are shrinking and the temperatures getting cooler, and high school football has returned. Bison football is returning for another great year. We have stayed busy this summer with park maintenance and the possible relocation of our office, hosting the state DAV convention and several honor guard functions. Thanks to all our volunteers who make this organization so valuable. For the September meeting, I had planned to cook a whole hog, but due to the high cost, the menu has been changed to honey-buttered turkey breast with trimmings.

LaMar Kruckenberg, Commander

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