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# DAV DISPATCH

## News from Adam Klein Chapter #3, Bismarck, North Dakota

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### MEETINGS

1st Thursday, 7 p.m.

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## Bike Show Raises Funds, Promotes Veterans Locally

The annual Freedom Riders Motorcycle Classic is just around the corner. The group has been making plans and working hard to have another great show in 2025. The event is scheduled on March 29-30 at the Bismarck Hotel & Conference Center (formerly Ramkota) in Bismarck. The Freedom Riders have a charity auction, with proceeds going to groups that support veterans. Since 2007, they have made generous contributions to our chapter, enabling us to offer assistance to veterans and families. Our chapter will have a table at the event. The exhibit hall will be filled with bikes and other machines, both new and restored. Many vendors also support the bike show.



## Property Tax Relief for Disabled Veterans and Residents

Several property tax bills were introduced this year in the 69th session of the North Dakota Legislature. There have been many questions and some confusion regarding how the Disabled Veterans Property Tax Credit will be affected. The session has reached the midway point, and the picture is becoming more clear. House Bill 1266 passed the House and has been sent to the Senate. The bill raises the credit limit to \$200,000 true and full value of the primary residence. The current limit is \$180,000. The credit is calculated by applying the disability rating to the credit limit or the assessed value of the home, whichever is less. Two other bills that would have replaced the Disabled Veterans Property Tax Credit with a Primary Residence Credit were defeated. However, a bill to increase the Primary Residence Credit, currently \$500, is still under consideration. The Primary Residence Credit is for all North Dakota homeowners, and is applied in addition to the Disabled Veterans Property Tax Credit. Please remember the session is far from over, and legislation is subject to change.



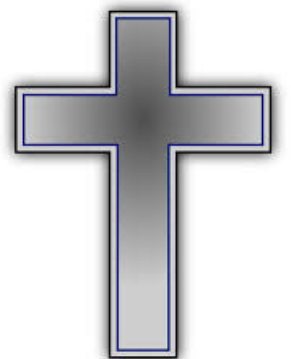
## Chapter Picnic Scheduled in July 2025

The date has been set for the next chapter picnic! Mark your calendars for Wednesday, July 23rd at Sertoma Park in Bismarck. The picnic is a great time to socialize, recognize the volunteers, and have some outstanding food. Last year, we had more than 80 members and guests, so we are moving to Shelter #11 which has more seating capacity.

## Chaplain Chats

March has traditionally been a month of transition and divine purpose, in both history and Scripture. In biblical accounts, it marks the approach of Passover, a time of deliverance and renewal for the Israelites. Historically, it has been a season of significant events, from leadership changes to moments of great decision. As winter gives way to spring, March serves as a reminder of both challenge and promise, echoing themes of faith, perseverance, and transformation. Being one-quarter Irish, I find inspiration in the words of Saint Patrick, who echoed the psalmist's trust in God: "Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me, Christ in me."

*Leslie Ross, Chaplain*



**\*\* REMINDER - TURN CLOCKS AHEAD ONE HOUR ON MARCH 9TH \*\***



## Message from the Commander

March is upon us and we are looking forward to the end of winter. In the next few months, we will be a very busy chapter. We will again serve lunch at First Lutheran Church and Heaven's Helpers Soup Café, and will be calling for volunteers. We are also planning for the DAV Department Convention in May. We will be looking for members to serve on the convention committees. We do offer travel reimbursement for convention delegates.

March meeting menu: Double-smoked ham and German potato salad.

*LaMar Kruckenberg, Commander*

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