



Post Scripts



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Commander's Corner Dennis Beach Post #57 Commander



I hope that everyone's 2026 is starting off in a positive way. And it seems the groundhogs couldn't agree when spring will begin.

With that being said, let's hope 2026 will find us better than last year, as far as the Post goes, with membership and participation.

We have the Pride of the Post (POP) drawing coming up on March 21st. This is Post 57's largest fundraiser. This drawing gives the Post funds for the operations all year, besides membership dues, of which out of \$50, the Post only receives \$10. The balance of \$40 is divided between National and Department.

We also have Awards Night coming up

and planning for the Post 57 family picnic is underway. There will be entertainment, games, food and a bouncy house for the kids. The Post 57 picnic is open and free to all members and all groups in the Post. This is a great opportunity to meet other members of our Post. We will be looking for volunteers to cook and serve food. Please consider volunteering so that this picnic will be a day of enjoyment and fellowship.

Just as a quick note, to those who don't know, the current Queen of Hearts is still being played with the original rules. Meaning, if you are not present, you still win the prize as it is stated, so you have an equal chance to win, whether you are present or not.

It looks like the weather is starting to shape up temperature wise. Here's to hoping spring is right around the corner.

At Your Service
Dennis R. Beach
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Vendors Wanted for Our Collectibles, Crafts, and Flea Market



If you have something to sell, or know someone who would be interested in selling, please tell them about our show on April 11

Please remember our active duty servicemen and women who are in harms way all over the world.



From the Senior Vice Commander Carol (Gunny) Fowler



Hello, all. As the Senior Vice Commander, first, I would like to bring to light our current membership information for the Post. Our goal is to bring our total number of members to 460, or better. We are currently at 376, which includes four new members. That

brings our percentage to 81.74 percent. The increase is moving in the right direction, but we need to keep moving it in the right direction. If you know of anyone who might be interested in becoming a member of the American Legion, please encourage them to join the Elgin Post 57 family.

With the weather currently slowing down participation in Legion events, it's understandably discouraging to think of coming by the Post, but please don't let that keep you away. The Post needs your help. Families stick together.

I would also like to remind members that officer elections are coming up soon. I will be stepping down as Senior Vice. Other officers will be looking for replacements, as well. If you are considering getting more involved with Post activities, you might want to think about filling one of these spots. I know there are hidden talents amongst us that could be very useful to our mission. If that applies to you, please let one of us know. Getting more involved could be extremely rewarding for you and the Post.

So, from me to you, as always, Semper Fidelis.

From the Junior Vice Commander Roger Taylor



In the last newsletter, I posted a list of most of the events we have tentatively scheduled for the Post Families. Just to remind everyone, these are activities for the entire Post: members, Auxiliary, Sons, Riders, and Canteen. You are

all invited to attend and participate. For most of them even guests are welcome. Looking forward to seeing more of you coming out especially as the weather will be improving.

We have a lot of events coming up that we need volunteers for as well as participants. For the Easter, Mothers' Day and Fathers' Day breakfasts, Catering Made Simple will be preparing the food with some exceptions, but we need to provide the people to take the orders and run the food out to the tables. If you don't have other plans, think about coming out and helping. When we put up a sign-up sheet by the office, don't

hesitate to put your name down. Or call the office and leave a message with Jason.

On April 11 we are going to have our second Garage Sale/Flea Market/Craft Show. We aren't sure what to call it because we would like to increase the number of vendors both from the Post and people who aren't members. If you have any ideas on how to reach out to vendors, please let me know. Using Facebook and the local radio station didn't seem to get the people we needed. If you know a "crafter" or someone who would like to sell, please pass the word on to them. And, of course, we would like it if everyone showed up on that day to support the event.

I would like to ask members to think about supporting the Post by becoming officers.

We know Gunny is not going to run for any office next year. Personally, I am on the fence about whether I do this for a third year. I would like to have someone interested working with me for the rest of my term so there can be a smooth transition. I am sure the other Family Groups would also like people to step up when an opening occurs.



From the Auxiliary President Fran Jackson



Hello, wonderful Legion members!
Can you feel it?
The days are getting warmer, the sunshine is brighter, and spring is just around the corner! It's the perfect

time to shake off those winter blues and embrace the season of renewal, fresh beginnings, and, of course, lots of fun activities with your Auxiliary Family.

Mark your calendars because March is packed with exciting events! On March 11th, we'll be celebrating with a Trivia Night—test your knowledge and enjoy some friendly competition. Then, our Auxiliary meeting will be held on the 17th—hope to see all of you there as we plan for the months ahead. And don't forget, on March 21st from 5-10pm, we'll be participating in the Pride in Our Post (POP) event. Make sure to get your tickets early so you don't miss out on this fantastic evening of camaraderie, entertainment, and community spirit.

As we head into April, the fun continues! We'll kick off the month with a joyful Easter Brunch on Sunday, April 5th at noon—bring your family and friends to enjoy good food and great company. We're also hosting another Trivia Night on April 8th—so sharpen those wits! Plus, don't miss our Garage Sale on April 11th from 8am to 3pm—it's a wonderful chance to find hidden treasures and support our Auxiliary projects.

Our April Auxiliary meeting will be held on the 21st—your presence and input are always appreciated as we plan more ways to serve and support our community.

Spring is truly a time of renewal, and what better way to celebrate than with our Auxiliary family? Let's enjoy the warm weather, engage in these fun events, and continue making a positive impact together. See you all at the upcoming activities!

And don't forget our Bingo every Sunday except Easter, Mothers' Day and Fathers' Day

Warm regards,

Fran Jackson

From the Director ALR Jim Looney



Hi All,

Spring is just a couple of weeks away, and that means the Riders will start their busy season. Cruise Night will be happening again this year starting the 2nd week in May and goes on until October. If you have a vehicle, bring it on out for all to see. Last year's attendance was the biggest yet. So, bring out that classic and let everyone take a look and enjoy. I am hoping to bring some new events to the Post but I'm not sure exactly what as of yet. If you have any ideas let any of the Riders know so we can discuss it at our next meeting. Also, if you are a member of the Post, Sons, or Auxiliary and own a motorcycle, come check out our group. We are a fun (I like to think) active family.

Reminder: There are still tickets available for the raffle for a 7-day stay in Florida. If you haven't heard, where have you been...LOL We are only selling 1000 tickets. Tickets are \$5 apiece and your travel dates are from May to August 2027. We will pull the winner on April 15th. Someone will have a good Tax Day. Winner need not be present. Look for the Flyer at the Post or in this bulletin.

From the Post Adjutant Jason Shanahan



Greetings to everyone. I hope everyone had good holidays. As we start a new year, I again want to say we need volunteers for events. I also urge those who haven't renewed to do so

soon. I also ask the families of any deceased members if you haven't notified us, please do either by phone or email.

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From the SAL Commander Post 57 Jim Looney



Hi All,

Spring has sprung and I hope everyone has survived the chilly winter we had. Our first major event is coming up on May 2nd. It is our Kentucky Derby Party. We will have Terry's famous Pulled Pork Sandwiches along with all the fixing. The antique wheel will be in action, so come on out and enjoy some fun. We will be having prizes for the best Fascinator (hat) as well. Hope to see you all there.

And on the business side, if you haven't paid your dues, please do so. Thank you.

Asking for help with the picnic!

...if you want raffle prizes, we need someone or several someones to collect them.

...if you want food, we need someone or several someones to cook.

...if we want to make this a family affair for kids and grandkids, we need help with games.



***The more people who volunteer, the less time everyone
has to work.***

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS ARE RAFFLING OFF A 7 DAY STAY IN FLORIDA

BEAUTIFUL 1BR 1B CONDO SLEEPS 4 IN BRADENTON
WALKING DISTANCE TO PALMA SOLA BEACH CAUSEWAY, WHERE YOU CAN ENJOY SUN-BATHING,
HORSEBACK RIDING, JET SKIING AND FISHING 6 MILES FROM ANNA MARIE ISLAND
TAKE A FREE TROLLEY AND HEAD DOWN TO HISTORIC BRIDGESTREET AND ENJOY SHOPPING, FOOD AND
COLD BEVERAGES ALONG WITH LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

RAFFLE ALSO INCLUDES:

\$150 IN FOOD AND BEVERAGE CERTIFICATES
\$100 CERTIFICATE GOOD AT THE BRIDGESTREET BAZAAR
AND
PARASAILING FOR 2
TICKET DETAILS
\$5 A TICKET

ONLY 1000 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

BOOK ANYTIME BETWEEN May 1ST 2026 THROUGH AUGUST 31ST 2027

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM ANY ELGIN AMERICAN LEGION RIDER OR THE BARTENDER

Members Who Have Passed on to Post Everlasting

Chuck McGowan, Marine

Mike Landt, Army

Thongone Vongphakdy, Army

Kenneth Rabe, Army

Joseph DeFrier, Army



"May they rest in peace..."

Post #57 Welcomes New Members

**We would like to welcome
the newest members of
American Legion Post #57:**

Tyler Sawyer, Army

Paul Pytell, Army

*The Officers and Members
of Post #57
welcome you and
wish you well
in your coming
experience in the
American Legion.*

“FORE!”

Elgin American Legion #57 Golf League



“2026 Marks the League’s 59th Year”

Teeing off their 2026 season, the Post Golf League will meet on April 2nd at 5:00 PM in the Canteen Game Room. The annual meeting affords the members an opportunity to renew old friendships, meet the new members, and discuss the upcoming season. Most importantly to the members is the distribution of their season schedules. Membership is open to all American Legion members. The league plays their matches in Carpentersville at Bonnie Dundee Golf Course. Tee-times begin at 3:00 p.m. & go until 4:00 p.m. This year’s season will run for 20 weeks: from April 16th, ending on August 27th. The annual tournament & banquet will follow on Saturday, August 29th. The league is set up in a way where everyone has an equal opportunity to be competitive. If you have ever given thought to playing in a golf league this is the place to do it. Take your clubs out of the closet, dust them off & give Secretary Earl Donoho a call, 847 802-2748, to see if there is an opening in one of the three league divisions for you. You know the poster, “Uncle Sam Wants You!” right? Well, the American Legion Golf League Wants You! Hope to see you at the American Legion.

Here is a Golf Joke

Golf Balls are like Eggs.

They are white, they come in dozens, and a week later you have to buy more.

Head down to your local course for more!

Remember

“Golf is a game where you yell fore, shoot 6, and write down 5!” - Paul Harvey

2nd Annual “Norm Bellows” Memorial Golf Tournament

Saturday June 27th

Bonnie Dundee Golf Course

Get your 4-Person Scramble Team together,
details coming in the May-June American Legion Post Scripts

Poppy Days

May 14-16, 2026



Be sure to Sign up to Sell



Tuesday, April 28, 2026
7:00 p.m.

Each year Post 57 has been honored to make the plaques for a member of the Elgin Police Department and a member of the Elgin Fire Department who will be presented the Police Officer and Fire Fighter of the Year Awards.

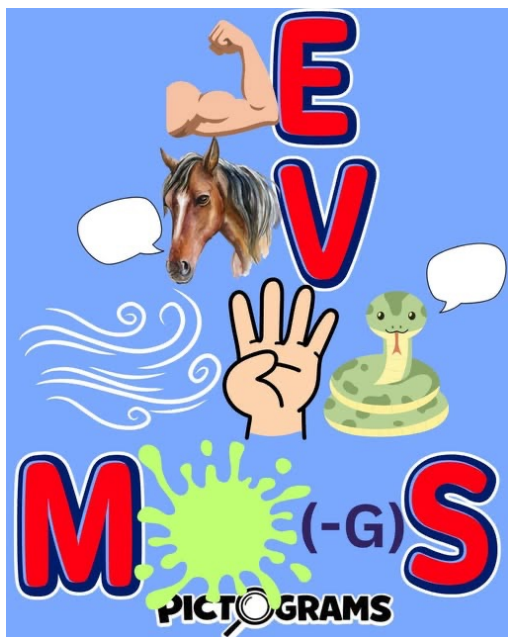
Additionally, a Post 57 member will be receiving a **“Gold Card”** in recognition of the contributions he or she made to the Post.

And members of the Post and Auxiliary will be presented membership pins at five-year increments for their continued membership.

All Post 57, Unit 57 and SAL Squadron 57 members are encouraged to attend and show that we are dedicated to our community and to congratulate those receiving awards.

Cake and coffee will be served following the program.

This is a wonderful night of community involvement and Post 57 Family Pride.



This should be an easy one for all the vets...

To solve a rebus puzzle, follow these instructions:

Analyze Visual Elements: Examine images, symbols, and text. Pictures often represent sounds or syllables.

Identify Word Patterns: Look for patterns in the symbols and text. The relative position of elements can change their meaning. If you can't get the Rebus even though you know the clues. Maybe one of the clues can be interpreted as something else.

Use Context Clues: Context clues can help interpret difficult parts. Common phrase, idioms, or puns often lead to the solution.

Observe All Elements: Take a close look at all components of the puzzle, including words, pictures, numbers, and symbols, and consider how they relate to each other.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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8 AUX. BINGO 12PM	9 KARAOKE 7PM QUEEN OF HEARTS 8PM BAR BITES 5PM-8PM	10 POST MTG 7PM TACO NIGHT 5-7PM	11 PASTA NIGHT 5-7PM TRIVIA NIGHT 7-9PM	12 HAMBURGER NIGHT 4:30-7PM LIGHTNING 6:30PM	13 FISH FRY LUNCH 11:30AM – 1PM DINNER 4PM-7PM ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE 10AM	14
15 AUX. BINGO 12PM	16 KARAOKE 7PM QUEEN OF HEARTS 8PM BAR BITES 5PM-8PM St. Patrick's Day Party	17 LIONS CLUB MTG 6:15PM AUX MTG 7PM-9PM TACO NIGHT 5-7PM	18 PASTA NIGHT 5-7PM SAL MTG 7PM-9PM	19 HAMBURGER NIGHT 4:30-7PM LIGHTNING 6:30PM	20 FISH FRY LUNCH 11:30AM – 1PM DINNER 4PM-7PM	21 EUCA MTG 12PM P.O.P. 5PM-10PM
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 April 2026 KITCHEN PHONE: 847-741-8143 — CARRYOUTS AVAILABLE FOR MENU ITEMS LISTED ON THE CALENDAR.			1	2	3	4
5 EASTER BRUNCH 9AM-12PM AMVETS MORNING MTG EASTER	6 KARAOKE 7PM QUEEN OF HEARTS 8PM BAR BITES 5PM-8PM	7 HOME ASSN MTG 7PM LIONS CLUB DINNER 6:15PM METRO ENGINEERS MTG 7PM TACO NIGHT 5-7PM	8 PASTA NIGHT 5-7:00PM GAME NIGHT	9 HAMBURGER NIGHT 4:30-7PM LIGHTNING 6:30PM	10 ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE MTG 10AM FISH FRY LUNCH 11:30AM – 1PM DINNER 4PM-7PM	11 GARAGE SALE SET UP 7-9AM OPEN FOR SALES 9AM-3PM
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Queen of RAFFLE

See Posters in Canteen, our Website or our Facebook Page for current Jackpots

Drawings: Mondays at 8:00pm

6 Tickets for \$5.00

IN-HOUSE SPECIAL

Mondays and Wednesdays

18 Tickets for \$10.00

Final Ticket Purchase at 7:45pm

Ticket holder does not have to be present to Win!



Beer Sausage & **100** Plus Club

Gordon Steinway & Bob Cashmore

March 29, April 26 and May 31 are the dates for the next three monthly Beer Sausage (10am to 12pm) and 100 Plus drawings (11:30am) in the bar. Because these are the last three monthly drawings before the summer break (June, July and August), please think about what you would like to do with the money remaining in the 100 Plus fund after the May drawing. Don't forget, if the Legion is closed on any of these dates, Beer Sausage and 100 Plus will be moved to the following Sunday. As usual, if your number is drawn and you are present for the drawing you win \$100, otherwise you win \$50. Also, we will continue to drawing numbers to give a beer chips to 5 members who are present for the drawing. See you for beer sausage and the 100 Plus drawings!

REMINDER: MARCH 8TH

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS

Don't forget to set clocks
ahead one hour
at 2 a.m. Sunday.



If you move, please let the Post know your new address. The number of PostScripts being returned is costly. Thank you



Don't Forget. Every Sunday starting at noon Post 57 is open to the public for a day of Raffles and Bingo. However, Bingo will not be held on Easter, Mothers' Day or Fathers' Day.

Answer to Rebus

Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines

FROM PAST POST MEETING MINUTES

75 Years Ago, March and April 1951

Earl Donoho Post Historian

On January 27, 1951, I celebrated my 3rd birthday! On that day, the United States tested a 1-Kiloton Nuclear Bomb in the newly established Nevada Proving Grounds. The test, code named "ABLE," was the first atmospheric test in a series of 16 tests named "Operation Ranger". The purpose was to improve weapon design and study the effects of the blast. The tests lead to significant health concerns for the "downwinders" in southern Utah and Nevada. The Atomic Energy Commission even placed U.S. Army soldiers as close as 2,500 yards from ground zero. I think I would have preferred to have been fighting in Korea against the North Koreans and Chinese.

On that note, U.N. forces recaptured Seoul for the second time on March 14th. It is terrible to have to fight for the same ground twice. And on April 11th, President Truman relieved General Douglas MacArthur from his eastern commands.

A lot was happening in the world for legion members to discuss at the bar in early 1951. Legion Commander Dudley W. Nish presided over the four meetings in March & April 1951. At the beginning of March, the Senior Vice-Commander reported 1077 Post members. By the end of the second meeting in April, he reported a membership of 1170. He introduced the brand-new members Otto Meglin, Walter Phillips, Robert Donlevy at the meetings. Today the Post is lucky to count our membership as half of 75 years ago. Members voted to appoint William Lorange to take charge of the 4th of July celebration event rides. The car raffle committee received the automobile for the event, and raffle tickets would soon be available. The Post purchased tickets for the officers to attend the high school athletic banquet. Members approved a \$25 donation to the American Red Cross. The members appointed a committee to

procure cigarettes for servicemen at the Elgin State Hospital. 222 individuals attended the annual American Legion Birthday Party dinner and dance. The previous year the event profited \$70.64, almost \$1,000 in today's money. The Post was ready to cancel a First Aid class since only two people had signed up to take it. Sounds familiar to the level of participation in some of our current events at the Post. Bingo had become successful at the Post in the early days of 1951. Called "Bingo Parties," raising over \$1,000, the chairman announced the resumption of Bingo soon. Comrade Bob Allanson spoke to the members about the newly-formed baseball league for 9-to-13-year-olds. While Comrade Herman Fisher moved to donate \$75 to the baseball league, and \$25 more in the future if needed. Comrade Lamphere moved to display a new American Legion poster in the club rooms if there is space available. The chairman reported the "House Committee" installed a new fan in the game room. A request from the floor requested a letter received from the local Marine Corps recruiter be placed on file. Post #1020 announced they are hosting a Square Dance on April 6th. Members approved the audit committee's report of the General Fund covering the period of September 1950 to February 28, 1951. The members approved a "Poppy" Committee consisting of five volunteers. Comrade Landis moved to ban "crap" games in the Post club rooms. Members approved a motion to invite a representative of the Elgin Council of Churches to speak at a Post meeting on the objectives of their organization. The Post members also made a motion instructing the Post Service Officer to research the benefits of Social Security for Veterans and report back to the members at a future meeting. The Drum and Bugle

Corps announced the sponsorship of a Gay Nineties party was going to be held in May. A “standing” vote approved a \$15 donation to the Cancer Fund. Members also approved the Post participation on May 1st in the Loyalty Day parade. And finally, Comrade Gregor moved to form a committee for the purpose of screening donation requests, and then to make recommendations to the members. The four meetings in March and April averaged an attendance of 8 officers and 26 members.

In 1951, Watch manufacturers began feeling the effects of foreign intrusion on their market shares. Elgin Watch Company was still recovering from their

switch from War production to peace time manufacturing. Computing was becoming all the rage in 1951. On March 31, 1951, Remington Rand delivered the first UNIVAC computer to the United States Census Bureau. The cartoon strip “Dennis the Menace” began appearing in the countries’ newspapers. And the first NBA All-Star game was held in Boston Garden. We all know idiomatic warning “Beware the Ides of March”! right? The day in 44 BCE 55-year-old Julius Caesar met his Waterloo. I will leave you with that thought since the “day” is coming on a Sunday in mid-March, “Beware the Ides of March”!

**American Legion Post 57 Birthday Dinner
& Pride in Our Post (POP) Raffle
March 21, 2026**



5:30 pm	Cocktails
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:00 pm	Raffle
8:30 pm	Conversation Music

Dinner Menu: \$25 per person

Corned Beef and Cabbage
Fried Chicken
Parsley Potatoes & Vegetable
Salad & Rolls
Post 57 Birthday Cake Dessert

Get your tickets soon.

**Dinner & Extra Raffle Tickets
Available in the Canteen**



John Swiech



Acoustic Classic and Alternative Rock

Friday, March 27, 2026 at 7:00 pm



**AMERICAN LEGION
POST 57**

American Legion
Elgin Post 57
820 N. Liberty Street
Elgin, IL. 60120

American Legion Post 57 Elgin, IL

2026

LEGION CRUISE NIGHTS

**Wednesdays: May 13, June 10, July 8,
August 12 and September 9
5-8pm**



Come out and enjoy a great evening of Cars, Food & Music
Hot-Dogs, Bratwurst, Nachos, Chips, and Drinks for purchase

Motorcycles, Cars, Trucks, Military Vehicles, all are welcome!

Adult beverages available at the Legion Bar

50/50 Raffles, Door Prizes

Sponsored by the American Legion Riders, Post 57

820 N. Liberty St. Elgin, IL 60120



Lightning

Thursdays

6:30 pm

\$3000 Jackpot

\$1 per card

6 cards for \$5



POST 57 RED FRIDAY PROMOTION

Wear Post 57 Red T-Shirt or Sweatshirt

BUY YOUR FIRST DRINK AND GET ONE FREE

(FIRST DRINK ONLY)



Front

T-SHIRT: \$20.00



Back

SWEATSHIRT: \$25.00

See the Adjutant or Bartender to purchase your Shirt.

2026 Registration to American Legion Premier Illinois Boys State is now open to high school juniors of the 2025–2026 school year!

American Legion Illinois Premier Boys State is a participatory program in which participants learn the rights, privileges, and responsibilities of citizenship *by doing*, by becoming part of the operation of a city, a county, or a state government. If you have a son or grandson who is a junior in the 2025-2026 school year, he may be eligible to attend the 2026 session of Illinois Boys State from June 13th to June 19th, hosted at Eastern Illinois University. For more detailed information go to **illinoisboysstate.org**. If, after he reads the information on the website, he meets the eligibility requirements and is interested in attending Boys State, he should contact Gordon Steinway at our Post.



Join us at American Legion Post 57

For more nights of Trivia Fun

Wednesday, March 11 and

Wednesday April 8

From 7-9pm

Public Invited



Want to keep informed of Post 57 news and events???

Please go to our website at:

<https://alelginpost57.com/post-57-home>

Our website is updated regularly, and you can see what is happening with our post. You can also go to the section that lets you subscribe to our mailing list and receive email updates.

Also visit us on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/ALElginPost57/>



Post 57 Webpage



Post 57 Facebook page



DATES TO REMEMBER

MARCH

- 11 Trivia Night, 7-9pm**
- 21 POP, 5:30pm drinks**
Dinner, 6pm
Raffles, 7:30pm

APRIL

- 5 Easter Breakfast 9am-noon**
- 11 Garage & Craft Show**
Set up: 7-9am
Opens 9am-3pm
- 18 AID Party**
- 28 Awards Night, 7pm**

MAY

- 2 SAL Kentucky Derby Party**
- 13 Cruise Night 5-8pm**
- 14-16 Poppy Days**

American Legion Post 57

Invites you and your family to
Easter Breakfast

April 5, 2026

9am to 12:00 noon



Breakfast Buffet with all the trimmings to include

omelets made to order
waffles and scrambled eggs
and other culinary delights.

Adults: \$15.00

Children: \$ 6.00 (4yrs of age to 9yrs of age)

Children: 3 yrs of age and under are free



*Come and join the fun and
enjoy the wonderful food—
An Easter breakfast the
whole family can Enjoy!!!!!!*

American Legion Post #57

Presents

Its Annual Collectibles & Crafts Flea Market



Saturday, April 11, 2026

Time: Booth Set Up 7-9am

Opens to the public 9am-3pm

Vendors Needed

**Cost: inside tables.....\$15 each; 2 for \$25
(includes 8' table; 2 chairs on main floor)**

**outside areas (on blacktop) ...\$10 each
(bring your own table, chairs, canopy, etc.**

No Electric Available

Food and beverages available on site for purchase

For more information, please see our website:

[American Legion Elgin Post 57](http://AmericanLegionElginPost57.com)

**820 N. Liberty Street
Elgin**

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