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#### **AUGUST 2018**



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## POST EVENTS FOR AUGUST AUXILIARY E-BOARD MEETING

- \*\*POST MEETING AUGUST 2nd @ 7:00 PM\*\*
- \*\*AUXILIARY MEETING AUGUST 2nd @ 7:00 PM\*\*
- \*\* SAL MEETING AUGUST 1ST @ 7:00 PM\*\*
- \*\*ALR MEETING AUGUST 9th @ 6:30 PM\*\*

HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING Every Monday @ 7:00 PM

POST E-BOARD MEETING AUGUST 16TH @ 7:00 PM\*\*

THURSDAY NIGHT DANCE In AUGUST See Page 7

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCES 4 Dances in AUGUST - See Page 3

BINGO - Mondays & Tuesdays at 6:00 - 10:00 PM-Doors and Snack Bar open 4:00 PM.

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Buy-Sell-Trade Historical & Collectable Firearms, Ammunition, Knives, Military Memorabilia and Associated Items

Admission \$7 (ATM on Site)
Open Saturday 8am-5pm Sunday 9am-3pm

Name: We will be raffling off an AR15I Drawing to be held Dec. 21, 2018. Need not be present to win!

Breakfast, Lunch, and Snack Bar open both days.

All Local, State and Federal Firearms Ordinances and Laws strictly enforced.



Security provided by the Independence Police Department



### THE TIREY J. FORD POST 21 NEWS



#### August 2018

#### **POST OFFICERS - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Commander **Fd Witthar** Mark Clark 1st Vice Commander Bob Ford 2nd Vice Commander 3rd Vice Commander John Faelske Adjutant Tom Tanner Finance Officer Svlvia Tanner Judge Advocate **Dennis Mooney** 

Historian Open

Service Officer Mike Sweeney Chaplain **Bob Settles** Sergeant-at-Arms Dan Orr Mike Feliciano Past Commander

#### <u>COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS</u>

Americanism Chris Wehr **OPEN** Athletic Bingo Marge Neal Boy's State **OPEN Budget & Finance Denis Proctor** Cadet Patrol Norman D'Angelo Dance Wayne Keller **OPEN** Home Improvement

Kitchen Cynthia Stephenson Newsletter Editor **Ed Murray** Oratorical Ralph Buchanan

**OPEN** Patriotic Council R.O.T.C. Mark Clark Tom Tanner Salvation Army School Awards **OPEN** 

#### **HOUSE COMMITTEE**

Lelia Brownfield Chairman, Michael Keene, Richard Conrad, Don Decker, James Neece,

#### <u>AUXILIARY OFFICERS</u>

President Marsha Mooney Vice President Suzanne Proctor Secretary Antoinette Denny Treasurer Lana Butler Historian Linda Clark Chaplain Linda Vetter Sergeant-at-Arms Judy Settles

#### **AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS OFFICERS**

Director Don Decker Assistant Director Dan Orr Suzanne Proctor Secretary Treasurer Ed Witthar Judge Advocate Larry Harrison Historian Linda Clark Chaplain Mark Clark Sergeant-At-Arms Doug Stacer Road Captains Open Safety Officer Open

#### MINUTES OF POST MONTHLY MEETING

There was no meeting in July

2019 DUES ARE

> -Tom Tanner, Post 21 Adjutant adjutantpost21@gmail.com

A young Naval Officer was in a terrible car accident, but due to the heroics of the hospital staff the only permanent injury was the loss of one ear. Since he wasn't physically impaired he remained in the military and eventually became an Admiral. However, during his career he was always sensitive about his appearance.

One day the Admiral was interviewing two Navy Master Chiefs and a Marine Sergeant Major for his personal staff

The first Master Chief was a Surface Navy type and it was a great interview. At the end of the interview the Admiral

asked him, "Do you notice anything different about me?" The

Master Chief answered, "Why yes. I couldn't help but notice you are missing your starboard ear, so I don't know whether

this impacts your hearing on that side." The Admiral

got very angry at this lack of tact and threw him out of his office. The next candidate, an Aviation Master Chief, when asked this same question, answered, "Well yes, you seem to be

short one ear." The Admiral threw him out also.

The third interview was with the Marine Sergeant Major. He was

articulate, extremely sharp, and seemed to know

more than the two Master Chiefs put together. The Admiral wanted this guy, but went ahead with the same question.

"Do you notice anything different about me?" To his surprise the Sergeant Major said, "Yes. You wear contact lenses."

The Admiral was impressed and thought to himself, what an incredibly tactful Marine. "And how do you know that?" the Admiral asked.

The Sergeant Major replied, "Well sir, it's pretty hard to wear glasses with only \*&#@% one ear."

#### JUNE 2018 POOL TOURNAMENT



1st Place: Floyd Richardson - Bob Long



2nd Place: Pat Hillen - Jimmy Williams



3rd Place: Bob Lane - Jerry Tinsley



4th Place: Bill Spotts - Boyd Williams

Thanks to Post 21 for providing beer for the event. Anyone who plays pool is invited. We hold a tournament every quarter and meet for pool on Monday at 1 pm and Wednesday at 8 am.

Pat Hillen

**NEW MEMBERS** 

**TRANSFERS:** 

#### **AUGUST 2018 BIRTHDAYS**

"Happy Birthday and Best Wishes"
We have 106 members with August birthdays.
We hope you enjoy your special day!
2@98, 2@96, 2@94, 1@93, 3@92, 1@91, 3@90
The youngest will turn 36 this month.

#### THE COMMANDER'S CORNER

As we begin our new Legion year with new leadership in place, I'm looking forward to working with all of you! We must work together to achieve our goals, we are stronger together than we are as individual groups! As stated at the installation, this year is "One Voice, One Family." With that, we need the voice of the membership to step up and be heard. There is a suggestion box by the lounge door I encourage everyone to use this, they will be answered.

Coming on the 100th Anniversary of the American Legion, we will have many events in the future that YOUR post will need your help. When the time comes, please step up and assist to ensure the 100th year celebrations go off with a success! Yes, I said YOUR post, because without YOU, there is no US, and without US, there is no POST!

There are still numerous positions that need to be filled! Out of all the members we have, and we're going into our 100th year, it's difficult for me to believe that the Historian position is going to be vacant! Anyone interested please contact me so that the 100th year is not a forgotten year!

#### **Committees that need a Chair Person**

Americanism

**Boys State** 

**Budget & Finance** 

Home Improvements

School Awards

#### **Committees that need an Assistant**

Athletic

Bingo

Cadet Patrol

Newsletter

Oratorical

**Patriot Council** 

R.O.T.C

Salvation Army

Semper Fi!

CommanderEd Witthar

#### **TAPS**



With reverence, we commit these, our comrades, to the Post Evelasting

#### **AUXILIARY NEWS**

The new Auxiliary year is here, and I am looking forward to working with all our wonderful members. I would like to thank

Gayle for being President the last 2 years and all our other officers who have served.

When this newsletter comes out in August the State Convention will be over and we will be starting on our Committee work for the year. If you are interested in volunteering for a committee let me know.

August 19th is the start of the American Legion Legacy Ride that supports the American Legion Scholarship Fund for children of Post 9/11 veterans who gave their lives or who are disabled. The Legacy Rides first stop this year is our Post. We will be serving them lunch and dinner. We have been asked to donate desserts for dinner that night. If you can contribute, please bring your baked goods to the Post August 18th or early August 19th.

Looking forward to working with you all this year.

Marsha Mooney Auxiliary 21 President

#### **Auxiliary New Members, Transfers, Deaths**

New: Patricia Dalzell, Linda Gerke, Patricia Read,

Brenda Sprague

Transfer: Kathryn Oden, Kamilla Rodriquez

Death: None



#### **AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS**

AIR

Greetings Fellow Riders, Legionnaires, Auxiliary, and SAL,

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS This will be my final report as Director of the best American Legion Riders Chapter in the state of Missouri. It has been a privilege to serve you over the last 2 years. Thank you to all the Riders as well as others for your support. Without you, we would not have been as successful as we were.

Missions are still slow, again that is a good thing. The weather has been terrible for riding. Riding in this heat coupled with the Flag Lines for the funeral missions are exhausting. Hydration is the key. Thank you to all who make the sacrifice to make sure our veterans are represented during their final good-byes.

Our new Director, Don Decker will be taking over from here. I'm sure you will give him as much support as you did for me. I will be there with you helping him. Stay tuned for some fresh new ideas for the direction of our chapter!

Thank you All!

Bob Ford - ALR Chapter 21 Director



National ALR Legacy ride stopping at the Post 8-19-2018

#### Quick list of Flag Etiquette Don'ts:

- \* Don't dip the U.S. Flag for any person, flag, or vessel.
- \* Don't let the flag touch the ground.
- \* Don't fly flag upside down unless there is an emergency.
- \* Don't carry the flag flat, or carry things in it.
- \* Don't use the flag as clothing.
- \* Don't store the flag where it can get dirty.
- \* Don't use it as a cover.
- \* Don't fasten it or tie it back. Always allow it to fall free.
- \* Don't draw on, or otherwise mark the flag.
- \* Don't use the flag for decoration. Use bunting with the blue on top, then white, then red.

[Source: Military.com | June 15, 2018 ++]

#### SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Congratulations to our new officers who are already getting engaged in the day to day activities of the Legion.

Commander: Daryl Wimmer

Vice Commander: Doug Savage

Adjutant: Keith Constance

Finance Officer: Walt Seigler

Chaplain: Kent Groom

Sgt at Arms: Leroy Brugioni

Starting in Late July, the SAL will be collecting School Supplies for the needy children in the Independence School District. We are looking for Backpacks, Pads, Pencils, Lunchboxes, and of course anything else a student may need.

Our Next meeting is on Wednesday, August 1st in the Main hall at the Post.

This will be the first meeting with our new (again) Commander Daryl Wimmer, If at all possible please plan to attend as there are a lot of things we need to discuss.

I am anticipating the new membership cards for 2019 will be available soon. As soon as they arrive we will start processing renewals. This year I will need additional information from each member, simple stuff like DOB, Email, Cell #, etc.

Hope you all have a great summer!

**Keith Constance - Adjutant** 



#### FOOD SERVICE MENU FOR AUGUST

#### Monday from 5pm to 7pm

8/6 Snack Bar Menu

8/13 Snack Bar Menu

8/20 Snack Bar Menu

8/27 Snack Bar Menu

#### Tuesday from 5pm to 7pm

8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 8/28

Tacos Tuesday \$1.50 each or 4 for \$5.00 Pork Burrito \$5.00 Taco Salad \$5.00

Wednesday from 5pm to 7pm	
8/1 Baked potato & salad bar	\$7.50
8/8 BBQ Chicken & salad bar	\$8.50
<b>8/15</b> ALR Burger Night	
Bacon Cheese/Mushroom Swiss burger night, fries,	
tots or onion rings	\$7.00
8/22 Reuben Sandwich & salad bar	\$9.00
<b>8/29</b> Open Face Turkey Sandwich, mashed potatoes	
gravy & salad bar	\$8.50

#### **Thursday**

#### NO MEALS ON THURSDAY NIGHTS

#### Friday from 5pm to 7pm

<b>8/3</b> Fried Chicken Dinner, mashed potatoes/gravy	
veggie and roll	\$13.00
8/10 Beef tips w/noodles & salad bar	\$8.50
8/17 Chicken Cordon bleu, pasta salad, corn on cob	\$9.00
8/24 Chicken Fried Chicken Dinner	\$8.50
<b>8/31</b> Liver & onions or roast beef mashed potatoes	
gravy & carrots w/salad	\$9.00

#### Saturday from 7:30am to 9am

**POST BREAKFAST** \$8.00

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**PLEASE GO TO:** 

www.moalpost21.org To see the new kids snackbar menu

## **SAVE THE DATE!**

## veterans savute 2018.

Honoring the Signing of the Armistice of 1918
That Ended Fighting During World War I

#### A Free Event for the Whole Family!

## Saturday, September 22

#### at Midwest Genealogy Center

3440 S. Lee's Summit Road Independence, MO 64055 (One mile north of I-70/Lee's Summit Road Exit)

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Matthew Naylor, Ph.D.
President & CEO,
National WWI Museum and Memorial

Visit mymcpl.org/veterans-salute this summer for more information.







#### Old Goat Quiz For Those Over 60

Great mental exercise for the over-60 crowd. Which of the following names are you familiar with?

- 1. Monica Lewinsky
- 2. Spiro Agnew
- 3. Benito Mussolini
- 4. Adolf Hitler
- 5. Jorge Bergoglio
- 6. Alfonse Capone
- 7. Vladimir Putin
- 8. Linda Lovelace
- 9. Saddam Hussein
- 10. Tiger Woods

You had trouble with #5, didn't you?

You know all the liars, criminals, adulterers, murderers, thieves, and cheaters, but you don't know the Pope?? Lovely, just lovely...

#### FROM THE ADJUTANT'S DESK

The 2019 membership year is here, I would ask that all members renew your dues as soon as possible. This is the 100th Anniversary of both the American Legion and the Post. What better way to help celebrate both by renewing your membership and achieving 100% membership renewal.

I am also going to ask that if anyone is interested in volunteering to help in the post to please contact me and let me know when and where you can volunteer. We are in need of volunteers for BINGO, the kitchen, the office and other positions. PLEASE HELP!!!!!

In order to have a complete data base I ask that every member send me the name of your spouse, emergency contact information, email address, date of birth, correct phone number, branch of service and war era. If you have moved within the last 6 months would you please provide me with your new address.

Emails are still a problem. I have been getting a lot of emails bounce back to me for whatever reason. If you feel that you are not receiving emails from the Post, PLEASE check your spam settings to ensure correct delivery of the emails. If your spam settings are correct, please ensure I DO have your correct email address. If you have changed your email address or have not provided the post with an email address, please send it to me.

If you have anything you would like to be included on the Post web site, feel free to contact me or Bob Ford . The monthly newsletter is now available on the web site. You can also print it directly from the web site.

The e-mail address for Post is adjutantpost21@gmail.com.

-Tom Tanner, Post 21 Adjutant adjutantpost21@gmail.com



RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER IN '18 -'19



Have you attended one of the Jam Sessions yet?

If not, why not?

Come out and listen to some very talented musicians sharing their talents with you.



RICH CATES IN THE LOUNGE AUGUST 3, 10, 17, 24,31,



AUGUST 1st 7-10PM Mike Perez AUGUST 8th 7-10PM Mike Perez AUGUST 15th 7-10PM Mike Perez AUGUST 22nd 7-10PM Mike Perez AUGUST 29th 7-10PM Mike Perez

## WEB SITE TO OBTAIN DD-214

www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/

VA AL Service Officer @ VA Medical Center, Ron McBee, (816) 922-2883 Phone or Fax (816) 922-3381 Hours of operation 9:00 - 3:00 PM M-F



August 30

Band: Oasis with Bonnie

Rock & roll & country

\$6.00 Admission

Beverage & Snack Bar Open at 6:00 PM

Dance Time 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Join Us & Have a Blast!

Wes Blake



#### JULY 2018 DANCE SCHEDULE

4 Country Oasis

11 Reddymen

18 Sweetwater

25 Reddymen

Doors open at 5:30 P.M.

Beverage & Snack Bars Open at 5:30 P.M.

Dance Time - 7:00 P.M.-10:30 P.M.

**Admission to Saturday Dances \$7.00** 

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