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Commander's Comments: There is one sure way of avoiding criticism, scrutiny, making mistakes and failure.... DON'T DO ANYTHING! Stepping up and taking responsibility can be scary to some people, to others it is a way of life. I have been blessed by being a person who thrives on challenge and relishes results. I am a doer, always have been. When I was 13, I had 3 daily jobs because I knew even at that early age, I would never have a car if I didn't earn the money to pay for it myself. I went on to build 3 successful businesses of my own and founded a national association in 1982 that is still in existence today.

I am proud and embarrassed at the same time that I did this with only an 8th grade education. I didn't have a lot of exposure to the inner workings of the American Legion when I decided to run for the position of 1st vice commander five years ago, but I knew I could contribute, and I felt I had something to offer to Veterans, so I dedicated myself to learning. I became passionate about making a difference in the Veterans community as well as our local community. The following year I was elected to the Commander position. We have had some setbacks, but overall, I am humbly pleased with my 4 years as commander. If had a fear of failure or of being criticized, I would not be in this position today. I have faced criticism and scrutiny, which is understandable as in any industry, there is always a bullseye on people in authoritative positions.

Motivational Guru Zig Ziglar once said: "F-E-A-R has two meanings: 'Forget Everything and Run' or 'Face Everything and Rise.' The choice is yours". Right now, we are in desperate need of members who are not afraid to step up and take a leadership role. We need a First Vice Commander and a Post Historian. Many American Legion Posts are closing around the country, because they can't find leadership, let's not allow our post to be a statistic.

2nd Vice Commander: The American Legion Post 572 Annual Children's Christmas Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 9th from 2 - 4pm in the Post Hall. Post members in good standing (2019 dues paid), can sign up their children/grandchildren ages 12 and under. Signup sheet will be in the Canteen, behind the bar, and you will be required to show your 2019 Membership card. Deadline for signup is Saturday, December 1st. Santa and other guests will be attending. Please remember to fly your U. S. Flag at half-staff from sunrise to sunset, December 7th for Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. Upcoming events I'm working on: Feb. 16 Annual Chili Cook-off and March 16th Corned Beef Dinner - details coming out in the near future. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you, John Rader contact: 216-470-2579 after 7pm or email: secondvice_alpost572@yahoo.com

Adjutants Desk: Where has the year gone? This year is going by way to fast, I can tell by the number of members who have yet to renew their memberships. The American Legion National By-Laws Article IV, Section 4 says: "A member whose dues for the current year have not been paid by January first shall be classed as delinquent. If his dues are paid on or before February first, he shall be automatically reinstated. If he is still delinquent after February first, he shall be suspended from all privileges. If he is still under such suspension on June thirtieth of such year, his membership in The American Legion shall be forfeited." Membership is still only \$36.00 a year, so how about getting it out of the way now.

On November 19th Olga Ann Jacubic passed away. She was the widow of Post co-founder John Jacubic, Joseph Jacubic's brother. If you ever enter the Post through the main entrance you will see a shadow box (built and donated by the then SAL Commander John Kasperczyk) containing Joseph Jacubic's casket flag, Purple Heart and other memorabilia donated by Olga. She was a living connection to our Post past and will be missed. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all!!!!

Welcome to our Post Membership: **Malcom Brooks, Peter Olejarz, William S Derkin, John Kalal, Wayne L Davis**

Chaplain's Corner: I hope everyone had a very thankful and tasty Thanksgiving!

If you can make it down to the U.S. Cod for the wreath laying on Friday, Dec. 7th., please make every effort to do so. It is a very moving ceremony. Also, please continue to pray for all of our men and women in uniform. God bless you all and God bless America. Thank you.



TAPS: None reported.



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION: It's that time of the year to give thanks and support of the less fortunate. As we go through this holiday season remember our veterans that have served and are now serving. The sacrifice that they are taking for our country and families and wish them safe return for peace on earth. The Riders Mac & Cheese Challenge on November 17th was a great success! Congratulations to the winners and the support of all of the contestant along with joining us for the best comfort food! Look for it again next year. You won't want to miss it.

SAL Members – Membership cards are in! get your 2019 dues in! Come to the meetings! The third Monday of every month @7:00 and learn more and be a part of the group! Remember why you joined the SAL Squadron and became a member of Post 572. Be an active member and honor the service and sacrifice of our fathers and grandfathers and join in on the post events. Dues can be paid in the Canteen by dropping an envelope into the SAL mailbox with your name, membership number, Phone number, email and your payment by cash or check. Your dues can also be mailed with the same information to American Legion Post 572, 6483 State Rd. Parma Ohio 44134. Dues are \$20 Regular Member, \$15 Jr. and Dual Membership. This year I would like to further promote the Units of post 572 working together on all events and activities that the post has to offer. Be a part, volunteer when you can to help make each event as successful and fun as possible! If you ever need to contact me please don't hesitate to call! Thank you, Dan Carter; SAL Commander (440)773-0863.



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS: No article submitted this month.

FROM THE CANTEEN: Take advantage of our **Lunch Specials for \$3-4 Monday-Friday** 12-3pm. Log Cabin Grill is also open if you prefer something off the menu. Happy Hour continues Monday-Friday 12-6pm with Well Drinks and Domestic Draft Beers for \$1.75. The December Bucket of the Month is Miller Genuine Draft. Get 5 bottles of Miller Genuine Draft in a Bucket of Ice for \$8 during Happy Hour and 12-9pm on Wednesdays. 3 piece Fish Dinner for only \$7 every Friday. Canteen opens every day at 12 noon!

Dec 2 - Browns vs Texans - Pulled Pork Dec 8 - Army-Navy Game - Potluck

Dec 9 - Browns vs Panthers - (Children's Christmas Party, no feature)

Dec 15 - Browns vs Broncos - Sat 8:20pm Game (Q of H earlier, no feature)

Dec 23 - Browns vs Bengals - Sloppy Joes Dec 30 - Browns vs Ravens - Pulled Chicken

Dec 31 - New Year's Eve Party - Food, Drink Specials and Live Band for \$20 admission. Get tickets from Canteen.

MEETINGS

December 3rd (Monday) - Post Executive Committee Meeting - 7:00 PM

(Meetings are held the first Monday of every month except holidays.)

December 10th (Monday) – Post Regular Membership Meeting - 7: 30 PM

(Wear your Legion Cover at the meeting; refreshments will be served after the meeting)

December 17th (Monday) - S.A.L. Regular Membership Meeting – 7:00 PM

December 5th (Wednesday) – A.L.R. Membership Meeting – 7:00 PM (Nominations)

EVENTS

SATURDAY DEC 8TH-----ARMY/NAVY FOOTBALL GAME POTLUCK-----2:00 PM

SUNDAY DEC 9TH.....CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY.....2 TO 4:00 PM

MONDAY DEC 31ST.....NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY.....7:00 PM

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Tickets to All Events are sold in the Canteen.

EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT - WEEKLY DRAWING

EVERY OTHER FRIDAY NIGHT DRAWING

QUEEN OF HEARTS DRAWING EVERY SATURDAY – MONTHLY PROGRESSIVE 50/50 DAILY DRAWINGS

CANTEEN & LOG CABIN GRILL FALL/WINTER HOURS

CANTEEN WILL
CLOSE AT 6 pm
CHRISTMAS EVE
CLOSED CHRISTMAS
& NEW YEAR'S DAY

Monday – Thursday – Noon – 10:00 PM

Friday & Saturday – Noon – Midnight

Sunday – Noon – 6:00 PM

EVERY TUESDAY IS SANDY'S TACO NIGHT IN THE CANTEEN

DAILY LUNCH SPECIALS - FRIDAY FISH FRY'S

BROWNS MEAL SPECIALS DURING TELEVISED GAMES/SOMETHING DIFFERANT EVERY WEEK