

# "For God and Country" The American Legion – Joseph J. Jacubic Post 572 6483 State Road, Parma Ohio 44134

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#### May 2019

*Commander's Comments:* May is the month we recognize Memorial Day, formerly known as Decoration Day, it originated in the years following the Civil War and became an official U.S. Federal holiday in 1971. The term "Decoration Day" was coined as it became a custom of honoring ancestors by cleaning cemeteries and decorating graves and was later changed to Memorial Day. Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday of May, honoring the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military. Although many use the term "Celebrating" when referring to events on Memorial Day, in my opinion it is not a day of celebration. Memorial Day services are solemn services paying tribute to our fallen comrades and their families. Others argue it is a "celebration of life". Initially official since 1868, it was proclaimed by General John Logan, a general in the Union Army in the American Civil War. Memorial Day, as it is now known, was a holiday in memory of the soldiers who died in the Civil War. After world War I it was expanded to include all armed forces from all wars and all battles. I would like to urge all Post 572 members to take part in our very patriotic services on Memorial Day at the Veterans Memorial Park, on Loya Pkwy off State Rd. Service at the park begins at approx. 11:45am, following this service, we will head off to the post (approx. 12:30) for a service on the front lawn and then lunch (\$5.00). While at Veterans Park, check out our "Hometown Heroes" banners lining the roadway into the park. Earlier services will be held at St. Andrews and at Holy Spirit cemeteries.

**New Post Legionnaire:** Welcome to our newest member who was obligated at the April meeting, **Kenneth Crawford.** 

**2**nd **Vice Commander:** I apologize for not recognizing co-winners in the Chili Cook-Off People's Choice awards: Marsha Greene (co-2nd place) and Patrick Martin (co-3rd place). I have accepted the nomination for 2nd Vice Commander for the upcoming year, thank you all for your support. We had 20 children for the Children's Easter Celebration, everyone had a good time. Thanks goes out to the Easter Bunnies for their visits and the volunteers who assisted. A special thanks goes out to I Web Dynamics LLC, K of C Council 5106, Jackie Bucchioni, Eleanor Meredyk, and Joyce Smith for their generous donations. Memorial Day Ceremony at the Post will follow the Veteran's Memorial Park Ceremony with a dinner afterwards for \$5, all are welcome (members and guests). Thank you, John Rader contact: 216-470-2579 after 7pm or email: secondvice\_alpost572@yahoo

*Chaplain's Corner:* May 27th, the day we remember our fallen comrades, also remember all of our M. I. A.'s and pray for they're return. We should also remember Bob Hope who performed many shows for our troops with the USO. His first show was at March Field Air Base, California, on May 6th, 1941, he continued to perform for the troops for many years afterwards until his death. Thanks, Jim



*TAPS:* The following Legionnaires have transferred to Post Everlasting since May 2018 and now report to the Commander of us all: **Samuel Arlia-Korea, James L Borkowski-Vietnam, Dennis W Cekaitis-Vietnam, Frank Dominik-Korea, Clarence E Fassinger-Vietnam, John A Homola-Vietnam, Otto Klos-Korea, Tary Labyk-WWII, Frank Lopuck-Vietnam, Joseph A Plute-Vietnam, Russell Thorne-Korea, Herman R Wensel-Korea, Theodore A Wisniewski-Vietnam.** 

*Memorial Day Services:* Post 572 Honor Guard will be honoring our dead-on Monday May 27<sup>th</sup> at the following times and locations: Holy Spirit Cemetery 5500 West 54<sup>th</sup> St. at 9:00 AM. Saint Josaphat Eparchial Cemetery also known as Saints Peter & Paul Cemetery 7700 Hoertz Rd. (located behind Saint Andrew Church at 10:30 AM. Veterans Memorial Park 6328 State Road Parkway Blvd at 11:45 AM. Final service on the front lawn of the Post Home at approx. 12:45 PM and concluding with a POW/MIA service inside. The Canteen will remain closed until the conclusion of all services. Everyone is invited to attend and if you wish a luncheon will follow.

**Post Elections:** Only Legionnaires of Post 572 in good standing may participate (2019 dues paid). Voting will occur during the members business meeting on 13 May 2019. Voting shall be by secret ballot, no write-in candidates permitted. The following have been nominated and are unopposed: For Commander-Tony Kessler. For 1st Vice Commander-Mike Burk. For 2nd Vice Commander-John Rader. For Finance Officer-Richard Rysh. For Executive Committee (vote for no more than 2 two): Ken Schnell, Tom Thompson, Brian Tomasch, Nancy Tomasch. Delegates to the 13th District (all are unopposed): Mike Burk, Tom Raab, Brian Tomasch. Delegates to the Department Convention in Toledo (all are unopposed): Mike Burk, Bill Makowski, John Rader.



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION: 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. There is still time to renew for 2019 and maintain your continuous years of service, but time is running out! Dues can be paid in the Canteen by dropping and 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:** We are raffling off a \$500 Cabelas Gift Card, tickets available from ALR Members only. Drawing will be held the day of the 2019 "Torpedo Run" Saturday June 15. All ALR meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month in the Post Hall @ 7:30 pm

**FROM THE CANTEEN:** The staff is looking for event ideas to bring more people into the Canteen during the week. If you have any suggestions please pass them onto a bartender or manager. We currently have a special on Sam Adams Lager and Seasonal draft beer. Happy Hour prices on Well Drinks and Domestic Draft Beer Monday-Friday 12-6pm. The Bucket of the Month is TBA. Get 5 bottles TBA in a Bucket of Ice for \$8 during Happy Hour and 12-9pm on Wednesdays.

### **MEETINGS**

May 6th (Monday) - Post Executive Committee Meeting - 7:00 PM

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

May 13th (Monday) - Post Regular Membership Meeting - 7:30 PM (Elections)

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

May 20th (Monday) - S.A.L. Regular Membership Meeting - 7:00 PM

May 1st (Wednesday) - A.L.R. Membership Meeting - 7:00 PM

#### **EVENTS**

SATURDAY MAY 4TH	CINCO DE DERBY PARTY	3:00 PM
SATURDAY MAY 11TH	BAR OLYMPICS	2:00 PM
MONDAY MAY 27TH	MEMORIAL DAY	SEE ARTICLE

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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** 

Monday - Thursday - Noon - 10:00 PM
Friday & Saturday - Noon - Midnight
Sunday - Noon - 6:00 PM
DAILY LUNCH SPECIALS - FRIDAY FISH FRY'S