



"For God and Country"

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Commander's Comments: Winston Churchill once said; "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

The American Legion volunteers are "givers" they are those who through selfless hours of dedication ensures the longevity of the organization. The American Legion at one point had reached over 3 million members and remains the largest Veterans Organization in the World despite membership slipping to 2.4 million. With all the post activities, events, canteen etc....Legion members sometimes take things for granted and forget the real purpose of the American Legion and that the officers and executive board members are not getting paid for their many-many hours of sacrifice. Voicing your opinions on post matters is not only acceptable, but highly encouraged. We get better through criticism and suggestion, however there is a right place and time to voice your opinions. Complaining to a bartender in the canteen, or another member sitting at the bar usually will do no more than create a rumor that can get blown out of proportion and end up being very detrimental to the post, or worse an argument will ensue.

Bring your grievances or suggestion to the general member meeting or drop them in the suggestion box, so you can be heard at an E-Board meeting and your concern can be addressed. Be more involved in the American Legion community step up and volunteer, get on the inside of the post operation.

"Whatever community organization, whether it's a women's organization, or fighting for racial justice ... you will get satisfaction out of doing something to give back to the community that you never get in any other way." — Ruth Bader Ginsburg

1st Vice Commander: I wish to say Happy birthday to all airmen; September 14th will be the 70th birthday of the United States Air Force.

This month our Post had a table at the Veteran Resource Center event at Tri- C. I want to thank Mike Burke and Jim Leggott on attending those 3 days and introducing hundreds of our fellow veterans to the American Legion.

I also want to wish all of you a great Labor Day, may you spend it with family. We at the American legion are like a family. As a veteran services organization we support each other. As of this time, half of our post's members have renewed this membership for 2019. Please support your Veteran family by paying your dues now. When you pay your dues, your Legion and Local Post 572 can continue to support your fellow Veterans, and the community.

You can renew and pay online at: <https://www.legion.org/renew/> or mail remittance of \$36 in Cash or Check to the Post in the envelope provided with the renewal notice sent by The American Legion or drop off at the Post addressed ATTN: Legion Membership Renewal.

If you have any friends who are Veterans, encourage them to Join by going

to <https://www.ohiolegion.com/forms/new-member-sign-up/> and choosing Post 572 as the desired post to join. Or grab a **Why You Should Belong Booklet** we have at the post - it has an application in the back. Please email erwin@swisscc.com or call me at 440-290-6221 if you have any questions.

I also want to welcome our seven new members of our post: **Richard Cintron, Devin Brown, Anthony Ramos, John Eykyn, John Newcomer, Dennis O'Brien, Joseph Giampeitro.**

2nd Vice Commander: I would like to thank all of you that attended our Annual Post Family Picnic at St. Sava Picnic Grove. I hope everyone had a great time I would especially like to thank all of the volunteers that assisted with the picnic. I couldn't have done this event without your support and help, again THANK YOU!

Reminder the SAL / ALR Clambake is September 22. Tickets are available in the Canteen, with sales ending Sunday September 16 - NO SALES AT THE DOOR. Flyers are posted in the Canteen.

Thank you, John Rader contact: 216-470-2579 after 7pm or email: secondvice_alpost572@yahoo.com

Picnic Raffle Winners: Barbara Sekerak - \$300.00, Richard Kruzer - \$200.00, Theodore Majewski - \$100.00
Mike Vovos - \$50.00.

Adjutants Desk: Fall is soon upon us and that means that kids have returned to school so be careful how you drive. As the Post Adjutant I serve you and the Officers and members of the Executive Committee. My job is to record minutes and to make sure that members are kept informed about the Post. This is done by publishing a newsletter and updating the website. The other source of information comes from people who say "I heard", they may be well meaning but oft times incorrect or incomplete. Now I don't wish at this time to try and dispel all the rumors going around because by the time I hear them they may have changed completely.

This month I want to talk about Instant Bingo (Pull Tab) at one time the only legal gambling we had and we are constantly audited by the State of Ohio. Please do not call it a rip-off game. In July \$21,462.00 was paid out in prizes. \$1,413.94 donated to charity. Over the years we have donated hundreds of thousands of dollars to charity. We were the largest donor to Gifts for the Yanks for 6 straight years averaging \$20,000.00 a year. Thousands have gone to the Parma Fire, Police and CERT. From Hunger Centers to Children charities, relief funds and the USO and countless others we have donated thanks to the Instant Bingo games. Thanks to those who have played and to you who play today, I hope you win, either way we all win.



TAPS: The Adjutant reports that no Legionnaires have transferred to Post Everlasting.



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION: It was great to see everyone at our American Legion Annual Family Picnic! It was a great showing of members and their families. A big thank you to John Rader and all the volunteers that help pull this off!

Clambake season is upon us! Don't forget to get up to the Canteen and purchase your tickets for our Annual SAL & ALR Clambake on September 22nd 4:00-6:00pm. Final ticket sale is Sunday Sept. 16. Come and join us for a great event and great food prepared by our Sons and Riders. Sorry but tickets are not available at the door.

SAL Members - Membership cards are in! Be an "Early Bird" and 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!

Welcome our new officers. Dan Carter: Commander, Kevin Litvak; 1st and 2nd Vice, Wally Koenig; Finance Officer/Historian, John Greene; Adjutant, Bob "PaPa" Howe; Sargent of Arms. Thanks for volunteering guys.

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. Go to www.alr572parma.org for upcoming events and news.

FROM THE CANTEEN: Happy Hour Monday-Friday 3-6pm. Well Drinks and Domestic Draft Beers are only \$1.75. The September Bucket of the Month is Budweiser. Get 5 bottles of Budweiser in a Bucket of Ice for \$8 during Happy Hour and 3-9pm on Wednesdays. Tuesday: After 6pm, Tacos for \$2 and Margaritas for \$3. Wednesday: 3-9pm Bucket of the Month (5 Budweisers) for \$8.00. Friday: Dollar Dog Night during Baseball Season. Sundays: Browns Games begin September 9th. The Canteen will be closed on Labor Day September 3rd.

MEETINGS

September 4th (Tuesday) - Post Executive Committee Meeting - 7:00 PM

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

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

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

September 17th (Monday) - S.A.L. Regular Membership Meeting - 7:30 PM

September 17th (Monday) - A.L.R. Regular Meeting - After S.A.L. Meeting

EVENTS

SUNDAY SEPT 9TH.....CANTEEN FOOTBAL SUNDAY POTLUCK.....12:30 PM

THURSDAY SEPT 20TH...AUXILIARY NIGHT AT CHIPOTLE.....5:00 PM

SATURDAY SEPT 22ND...SAL/ALR CLAMBAKE.....4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

FRIDAY SEPT 28TH.....CANTEEN HOEDOWN.....7:30 PM

SATURDAY OCT 20TH...1ST RESPONDERS APPRICIATION NIGHT5:00 PM

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<https://www.facebook.com/AmericanLegionOhioPost572>)

Tickets to All Events are sold in the Canteen.

EVERY THURSDAY NIGHT - WEEKLY DRAWING

EVERY OTHER FRIDAY NIGHT DRAWING

SPLIT THE POT DRAWING - ON FOLLOWING THURSDAY AFTER 100 TICKTES ARE SOLD

CANTEEN & LOG CABIN GRILL HOURS

Monday - Thursday - 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Friday - 3:00 PM - 1:00 AM

Saturday - Noon - Midnight

Sunday - Noon - 6:00 PM

EVERY TUESDAY IS SANDY'S TACO NIGHT IN THE CANTEEN