



"For God and Country"

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Commander's Comments: I am sure that the 1st vice will have more to say on this subject in his article this month, but I do want to mention that now the eligibility restrictions for joining the American Legion have been lifted, the door has been opened wide for 6 million veterans who served from Dec 7, 1941 until present, to join the American Legion that were previously not eligible. But it's like having a silver tray full of gold nuggets that are being offered for free to anyone who wants them. If people don't know they are available, they will go untouched. It is all our responsibility to reach out to those you know who are veterans who may not have been eligible to join and invite them to visit our post. We need new members and you are the catalyst to getting them.

Canteen Rumbings.... I keep getting asked, "why is business so slow in the canteen?" "where are all the people?" Not to panic...This is very typical for this time of year. Summertime is traditionally a very slow time for canteen business. The Riders are out taking advantage of the few months of good weather to ride, there are many feasts, festivals, sporting events, vacations etc. We have more events throughout the year than any post in the district, but even we back off in the summer months.... The broken TV in the canteen will be replaced before the start of the regular football season. Canteen manager Amy is working on a "football special"For those who may not have visited the canteen recently, we now have a poker table for your use in the canteen, a showcase with merchandise, a book lending library, an events tv monitor, daily lunch specials, monthly drink specials, bingo pull-tab dispenser, video machines and of course lottery and Keno. And don't forget our daily, weekly and bi-weekly drawings. Stop in, check us out and bring a vet with you.

1st Vice Commander: For those of you who have sent in your membership renewals to the Post and are waiting for your ID cards, I ask you to be patient. I am in the process of catching up due to receiving the roster and 2020 cards late from Department. You will get your Early Bird! The President signed the Legion Act into law on July 30th changing The American Legion's Congressional Charter under Title 36 of the US Code amending eligibility for membership from 6 different dates to just 2. All other requirements for joining remain the same. This change also applies to the Auxiliary, Sons of The American Legion and American Legion Riders. These new potential members may be a hard sale, especially those who wanted to join many years ago and did not meet eligibility dates. You are our best recruiters and ambassadors to our Post. Bring them to the Post as your guest, show them around and introduce them to other members. Let them know the advantages of being a member (working on a pamphlet). Remember we cannot force them to join, but we can and should encourage them to join.

2nd Vice Commander: Many thanks to all of the volunteers that help with the Annual Post Family Picnic. I can't thank you enough. I couldn't have pulled it off without your help, THANK YOU. I would also like to thank all that attended, and hope you all had a good time. I'm going to be planning another Halloween event for children/grandchildren ages 12 and under. Look for more information to be posted in the canteen. If you have any questions please contact me at: 216-470-2579 after 7pm or email: secondvice_alpost572@yahoo.com - Thank you, John Rader

Picnic Raffle Winners: 1st Prize **David Novak**, 2nd **Mark Lynch**, 3rd **Carl Flanik**, 4th **Gayle Franks**

Adjutants Report: I have been asked by the Commander to restate the financial needs of our Post of which I did many months ago. We are not the Government and cannot print our own money (would be nice). Owning and maintaining a brick and mortar Post is expensive. We have put off necessary repairs and replacement of vital equipment and facilities and we need your help. We now have a donate button on the website's homepage. Large or small any amount would be helpful.

Some veterans do not join the Post because they don't want to go through initiation. There is no initiation requirement at our Post other than an obligation ceremony at the membership meeting and that is done as a way to introduce new members of our Post and is not mandatory. Some do not wish to attend the monthly members meetings. This too is not mandatory, but we do appreciate if members attend and become involved. We need future officers and committee members to lead our Post. We do understand if you would rather not.

Chaplain's Corner: Welcome to September! Some dates to remember this month, the 11th is Patriot Day, fly the Flag at half-staff from sunrise to sunset. The 21st is POW/MIA Recognition Day, please remember to say a special prayer for them. The 17th is Constitution Day and U.S. Citizenship Day, and on Sept. 18th. 1947 the U.S. Air Force was established, Happy Birthday!

And just a thought for the month from writer Philip K. Dick, "everything in life is just for a while".



TAPS: The Adjutant reports that Legionnaire **Frank M Vitale** has transferred to Post Everlasting and now reports to the Commander of us all.



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION: It's clambake season and we are putting the final touches on which will be a succulent event with the same menu as last year. Details will be available soon about times and prices. Membership cards are in! get your 2020 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.

FROM THE CANTEEN: Miller High Life draft for \$1.50 a glass. The September Bucket of the Month is Labatt Blue. Get 5 bottles of Labatt Blue in a Bucket of Ice for \$8 during Happy Hour and 12-9pm on Wednesdays. Happy Hour prices on Well Drinks and Domestic Draft Beer Monday-Friday 12-6pm. Lunch Specials 12-3pm Daily for \$3 to \$4.

Sunday September 29th, a Canteen Tailgate Party! Stay tuned for more details on the events page! We will be running food and drink specials in the Canteen during all televised Browns Games!

MEETINGS

September 3rd (Tuesday) - Post Executive Committee Meeting - 7:00 PM

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

September 9th (Monday) - Post Regular Membership Meeting - 7:30 PM

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

September 16th (Monday) - S.A.L. Regular Membership Meeting - 7:00 PM

September 4th (Wednesday) - A.L.R. Membership Meeting - 7:30 PM

EVENTS

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND.....	LABOR DAY CANTEEN OPEN.....	NOON TO 6:00 PM
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH.....	PATROIT DAY-FLAGS HALF-STAFF.....	POST OPEN
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH.....	TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT.....	6:00 PM
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29TH.....	BROWNS CANTEEN TAILGATE.....	TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED
SATURDAY OCTOBER 12TH.....	SAL/ALR CLAMBAKE.....	TIME TO BE ANNOUNCED
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2ND.....	AUXILIARY NIGHT AT THE RACES.....	DOORS OPEN AT 5:30 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

CANTEEN & LOG CABIN GRILL HOURS

Monday - Thursday - Noon - 10:00 PM

Friday & Saturday - Noon - Midnight

Sunday - Noon - 6:00 PM

DAILY LUNCH SPECIALS - FRIDAY FISH FRY'S