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“Together we can make a difference”

May 2023

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Hello Everyone, The American Legion year is almost over and an election is coming up. So, mark your calendars for **May 25**. The Post will open at 5:00 pm and voting will take place between 5:00 pm and 6:30 pm. If you plan to vote, you must show your 2023 membership card. If you do not have one, please let us know. **This is important!**

Members who are running for office are:
Commander: Jim Lovain

Senior Vice Commander: John Wilson, Lee Oliver and Beth Wingfield (Vote for one)

Junior Vice Commanders: Dewey Moss, Harrison Parker, Don Gray, Jim Stafford, Ed Shiver, Paul Peel, John Czerneski, Tim Hackel, David Malone, and Junior Hammontree. (Vote for your top five candidates).

Finance Officer: Bob Oxford

As you can see, we have many candidates running for office this year. This is good because it is a critical year for your post. Come out and vote for the officers you believe will be the best to oversee this post.

The American Legion's commitment to "preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in all wars" is without question. There are two events that are important this month. Armed Forces Day, May 20, is set aside not just to honor those who served in war, but the men and women who comprise the greatest military on the planet.

Memorial Day, May 29, is when we commemorate our veterans who paid the ultimate price and gave their lives for our freedom. There are Memorial Day activities held here and across our great nation.

For God and Country,

John Wilson
Commander

Law Cadet 2023, June 12 - 17

We need Post 112 Veterans to assist each day during the week of June 12-17.

Veterans will not have a job per se, just be available to answer any questions the Law Cadet participants may have regarding your service time in the military.

Please let Lee Oliver (706-260-7294) know if you are available, even if it's just one hour per day. Graduation ceremony and cookout will be on Saturday, **June 17** (we need help cooking hotdogs and hamburgers at the post). Flag retirement ceremony will be held before the graduation ceremony begins at 10:00 a.m. on **June 17**.

-Court rules that VA must reimburse veterans for emergency care at non-VA facilities

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit invalidated a Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) regulation prohibiting VA from reimbursing veterans with health insurance for certain out-of-pocket expenses for emergency medical care at non-VA facilities.

The court determined that VA is required to reimburse veterans for insurance copays where the veteran would be responsible under their private insurance policies for emergency care. The ruling also dictated that VA must expedite the process of issuing a new rule, setting a deadline of Feb. 22, 2023.

The American Legion supports this change through [Resolution No. 182](#): Non-Department of Veterans Affairs Emergency Care. Resolution No. 182 stipulates that The American Legion support legislation urging VA to promptly pay non-VA providers for emergency care furnished and that VA conduct outreach to veterans regarding the effect of delayed payments of claims for emergency medical care furnished by non-VA medical providers.

<https://www.legion.org/veteranshealthcare/257398/court-rules-va-must-reimburse-veterans-emergency-care-non-va-facilities%C2%A0>

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- May 18, 6:00 pm, Regular meeting SAL; May 20, Armed Forces Day
- May 22 –28, SAL - helping with parking for Spring Fair
- May 25, 6:00 pm, Regular meeting American Legion and Ladies Auxiliary (Voting Night for new officers)
- May 28, Pentecost; May 29, Memorial Day
- June 8, 5:30 pm, Executive Meeting American Legion; 6:00 pm Ladies Auxiliary

Office hours are Monday to Thursday, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Bingo - Fridays, 6:30 pm; Coffee Cafe - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8:00 am - 11:00 am



The Ladies Auxiliary has six girls that will be going to Girl’s State this year. A bus will be rented to take them. We are having a Tea for these fine young ladies at our May 25 meeting. Come join us!

We will be voting for new officers for the Ladies Auxiliary in June. If you are interested in a position, please let us know.

Harrison and I took food to the VA Clinic in Chattanooga for homeless veterans. We do this on a regular basis. If you would like to contribute, please let us know.

Don’t forget to pay your dues before June 30. You will be saving some money.

Anyone not receiving the newsletter and has had an email address change or physical address change, please let Wanda Tibbs know (706-694-8018).

Our best days are before us,

Wanda Parker, Auxiliary President



“Howdy Ya’ll!”

BREAKING NEWS: ‘Shocking’, ‘Amazing’, ‘Mind-bending’, ‘Horrific’, ‘Unbelievable’, ‘Awesome’, ‘Gruesome’, ‘Astonishing’, ‘Startling’, ‘Alarming’, ‘Mortifying’, ‘Offensive’, ‘Disgusting’, ‘Bewildering’ –Notice how these headlines grab your attention.

So, how are all you balloonatics holding out? What is this big hul-labaloo developing into? Maybe just a lot of hot air, a fire balloon, barrage balloon, weather balloon, airship, dirigible, Zeppelin, Montgolfier, envelope, or gasbag (I know one or two). We spend \$800 Billion a year on Defense to pop a balloon... “Goodness Gracious, Great Balls of Fire”... Pilots have reported seeing foo-fighters + orbs of light, since WWII.

Come to our next SAL meeting for less drama and some down-to-earth brotherhood. Let’s discuss how we can improve our country, local community, and the lives of our beloved Veterans.

Sing-cerely,

Anthony J. Robertson, SAL Commander

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