AMERICAN LEGION POST 175

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VETERANS SERVING VETERANS

MEMBERSHIP MEETING August 25 - 5 pm
AL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm

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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS:

Good News Ahead

We are getting ready to Welcome Home all our members. **August 25th, at 5:00 pm** we will have our first membership meeting since the Convid-19 outbreak. This will be an important meeting as we will be nominating new officers for the 20-21 year. We will be meeting in the bouquet room, not the member room, following the Governor's Phase three guidelines. The AUX will meet on the smaller side and the Legionnaires will be on the other side. No food or drinks will be served. You will need to wear a mask, observe social distancing, hand sanitizers will be available. I know it's been a long time since we have seen a lot of you all, but we must restrain ourselves from hugging and hand shaking. A great big smile and "we have missed you" will have to do. One BIG REQUEST: if you have any symptoms of Covid-19, please stay home. We will miss you, but the majority of our members are in the at-risk category.

We will also be open for the Legion Post breakfast will start again on the **August 29th**.

We will open for other activities beginning in September with our Tuesday morning coffee and donuts, membership meetings and rentals. These will all take place in the banquet room following the Phase three guidelines. This is a small step forward, but it is forward.

We have received the following awards from The American Legion state headquarters, The Americanism Award (second year in a row) for our work in our community by our Post, SAL, AUX and Riders. We were awarded a 3rd place Membership Medal, North area, District 13. Also, the Top New Member Recruiter in the North, District 13, Post 175, Mechanicsville was won by our own Colin Williamson. Congratulations to all.

Although not a member of our Post, Hanover County Sheriff David Hines received the Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award.

Please join me in honoring two of our members who are stepping down from years of service to our Post. Shirley Smith who has served us in many ways, especially dinners, over the past 35 years and Colin Williamson who has served as Adjutant, Chaplain, member of the Honor Guard and most recently as 1st Vice Commander.

With Colin leaving the position of 1st Vice Commander, I have asked George Navas, with the approval of the Executive Board, to fill this position until which time we will hold our election and installation of officers. Thank you, George, for accepting this position.

These last three months have not been easy on us and it's not over yet. Please keep in touch with friends and members of the Post. The American Legion has called these "Buddy Checks". They work everywhere, with our neighbors, church friends, social groups, and even new friends we haven meet yet. Hope to see you soon.

Jim Legg, Commander

Dues are due:

AL—$40.00. Send to Post, Attn: George Navas.

ALA—$35.00. Send to Christine Hanks or to Post, Attn: Christine Hanks .

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PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

Dear Auxiliary Members,

On July 20, 2020, TALA met at the Post, Our Commander, Jim Legg and George Navas, Graciously accepted our invitation.

Elizabeth Jones, and Carol Blanchard have stepped down for personal reasons.
Both these ladies have served efficiently and compassionately while holding their Offices, and I'm sure they will continue to do so. Thank you.

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Shirley Smith has also resigned from preparing for our Dinner Meetings. I am sure Shirley will continue to assist us while we accept this responsibility.To say Thank you Shirley, sounds so very trite.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

AUGUST 25, 2020 at 5:00 pm OUR REGULAR MEETING (in large room)

AUGUST 29, 2020 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 Commander Coffee, Tea and Doughnuts (in large room)

ALL MUST WEAR MASKS WHILE AT POST, ANYONE NOT WEARING A MASK WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE.

BE SAFE BE WELL GOD BLESS

For God and Country.
Sincerely,

LaRue Sprouse: President

Tom and Jeannie Rummel want to thank everyone for their cards for Tom's mother's 100th Birthday. God called her home one week later.

God also called Myrtle Boulden home on June 25th. Keep Charles in your prayers.

Johnny Simmons is recovering at home from a hospital visit.

Keep Charles Sprouse and Dick Bowen in your prayers, their isolation is worse than most of us are experiencing.

AUGUST:

Tuesday—August 25—AL/ALA Membership Meeting—5 pm
Saturday—August 29—Community Breakfast—7:30-10 pm

SEPTEMBER:

Tuesday— September 1—AL Executive Board Meeting—7 am