AMERICAN LEGION POST 175

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VETERANS SERVING VETERANS

MEMBERSHIP MEETING March 24 & April 28 - 6 pm
AL EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING: 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm

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George Navas

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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS:

There is a very important time coming up this month. Recommendations are needed and should be sent to Sean Davis, Chairman, Nomination Committee, for the new Post Officers for the upcoming year. If you want the Post to continue to grow and prosper, we need some members to step up and help lead us. The four pillars of The American Legion ARE what SUPPORTS all that we do. No one group or function should be our driving force. Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation; National Security; Americanism and Children and Youth are the key to our success. Let's do together what no one of us can do alone.

Jim Legg, Commander

MEMBERSHIP: Colin Williamson, 1st Vice

Membership-

We are in a PUSH to have 100% or 345 membership renewals reported (counting new members) by April 1st. Please "rack your brain" to come up with some names of veterans that are not Legion members that you would be willing to contact about joining with you/us at Post 175. Email me with any suggestions.

VAF (Veterans Assistance Fund)

We have a budget item funded and available to help, with Commander approval, any member that may be unable to renew their dues because of illness or other hardship. Please let me and Chaplain Hawkins and/or Commander Legg know of any un-renewed member that you think may need this assistance.

THANK YOU to all that have contributed to the VAF, and to Steve Montgomery for coming up with the idea.

CHAPLAINS REPORT — Glenn Hawkins

Please keep the following in your prayers

1. Don Mooney
2. John Pratt
3. Freddie Wilt and his family
4. Peligny Camacho
5. David Wheat and his wife
6. Bob Neuman's wife
7. Ed Pleasants
8. Ed Dolan
9. Bob Bain

NOTE: If you have a spiritual need, please call Glenn Hawkins Post chaplain: 335-6728

"Pray without ceasing" -- 1 Thessalonians 5:17

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MARCH MEAL:
The dinner meal for March will be ham with sides and the Auxiliary famous dessert table.

APRIL MEAL:
The dinner meal for April will be meat loaf with sides and the Auxiliary famous dessert table.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST: — Bert Butterfield
March 28 and April 25.

LEGAL SERVICES: John Block, Service Officer

Legal Services tentatively scheduled for April will be rescheduled for the Fall in an effort to fill up the roster for the day with members from Post 175.

If you are in need of updating your Will or Power of Attorney, please contact John Block at (703) 501-2257 or email him at KCBSBL@yahoo.com for more information on Free Legal Services for the post.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LEGION: George Navas

Hanover County Veterans Memorial Committee

Reminder: Meetings of the Hanover County Veterans Committee are open to the public. Meetings are held in the offices of the County Parks and Recreation Department located at 13017 Taylor Complex Lane, Ashland, VA 23005 (Just off Route 54). The next two meeting will be held on Thursday April 09, starting at 3:30 pm.

Honor Flight

After much consideration and debate, the staff at Old Dominion Honor Flight has decided to postpone the April 25, 2020 mission due to the growing concern surrounding the COVID-19 virus. All Veterans and Guardians will be given the option to travel with us on October 10th or another mission at a later date. Please understand the health and safety of our honored Veterans and amazing volunteers were at the forefront of this decision. Continue to watch for updates as we continue to prepare for future missions. Thank you again for your understanding.

POST 175 VETERAN'S HONOR MEMORIAL BRICK PAVER GARDEN: Bob Marsland

April is one of the months we get brick pavers done for the Veteran's Honor/Memorial Paver Garden at the Post. If you wish to add you name to the list of 98 members and/or family members who have been honored or memorialized with an engraved Paver, the price is still just $100, and there are forms in the bin inside the Members Entrance, or you can download the form from the www.post175.org website, at the bottom of the Home Page.

POST 175 BASEBALL FOR 2020: Bob Marsland

Doug Snell, our Finance Officer has stepped up to help lead the Post 175 Baseball Program this year. Now, to make sure we get the funding needed to have this valuable youth program, we need some volunteers to help with fundraising, via ads in the program, that I can help with, at least some. It is really not that hard to get the ads, at least from those we have had ads in the past. We will also need volunteers for the gate, concession stand, and the 50/50, as well as some help with gathering the concession stand food, from either BJ's or Costco, and possibly even the Restaurant Depot.

Please contact me if you wish to help make the 2020 Baseball Season a success. Thanks, Bob Marsland (804) 337-3633 or bob@rbmarsland.com

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS: — Jack Barbour
The Legion Riders now has a Facebook page. Check us out.

We have raffle tickets for $5,000 dollars and also a raffle for a chance of 4 guns to raise money for veterans' children. See any Rider to purchase yours. Drawing for the raffles will be at the Virginia Legacy Ride July 18th.

With spring coming, be alert for grass clippings on the roadways. They can be slippery.

On Friday, March 6th , we escorted a WWII veteran to Amelia Veterans Cemetery.

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IN THE SPIRIT OF SERVICE NOT SELF

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

Dear Auxiliary Members,

Happy Spring!

We need members to run for office, more than one person can run for the same office.

Tuesday, March 24; Reg Members Mgt.

Saturday, March 28; community Breakfast, 7:30 to 10.00

Wednesday, April 1; Post Social, 5:00pm

Saturday, April 25, Community Breakfast

Tuesday, April 28, Reg. Members Meeting. 6:00

Wednesday, May 6, Post Social 5:00pm

Saturday, May 23, Poppy Fund Distribution

Looking forward to seeing all of you on Tuesday Evening March 24th for dinner and our meeting.

Be well and be safe.

For God and Country.
Sincerely,

LaRue Sprouse: President

MARCH BIRTHDAYS:

Happy Birthday to the following:
Kathy Pilkerton, Edith Jones, Faye Smith, La Rue Sprouse, Joyce Wallace

APRIL BIRTHDAYS:

Happy Birthday to the following:
Christa Stark, Patricia B. Heinig, Emily Feltz, Mildred Caswel, Susan Mihalcoe, Elizabeth Jones, Laureen Thomas, Norita Guild

SICK CALL: Chaplain—Carol Blanchard

Please pray for healing:
Jan Bell and Carol Blanchard

Thanks Everyone For Continuous Prayers For Our Families And Veterans

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

"Good nature is worth more than knowledge, more than money, more than honor, to the persons who possess it."

Henry Ward Beecher

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Serving Our Community,
State and Nation

MARCH—APRIL 2020

CALENDAR: 2020

MARCH:
Tuesday—March 24—AL/ALA Membership Meeting—6 pm
Saturday—March 28—Community Breakfast—7:30-10 pm

APRIL:
Wednesday—April 1—Post Social—5 pm
Tuesday—April 7—AL Executive Board Meeting—7 pm
Saturday—April 25—Community Breakfast—7:30-10 pm
Tuesday—April 28—AL/ALA Membership Meeting—6 pm

MAY:
Tuesday—May 5—AL Executive Board Meeting—7 pm
Wednesday—May 6—Post Social—5 pm
Saturday—May 23—Poppy Sales

EDITOR:
I would like pictures we can use in the newsletter showing our people (Post, Auxiliary, Riders and SAL) serving us and our community.
My email is bagman8@comcast.com.