THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 175

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November – December 2021

VETERANS SERVING VETERANS

MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Fourth Tuesday of the Month, 7:00 pm
Executive Committee Meeting: First Tuesday of the Month, 7:00 pm

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General Announcements

Christmas Parade

Remember the Mechanicsville Christmas Parade on Sunday, December 5th. Parade starts at 2:00 pm. To be a participant, contact Jim Legg. Participants will meet at the Post at 12 noon, and ride in military vehicles.

Game Watch

Come root for your favorite team ! Post is hosting an ARMY-NAVY Game Watch on Saturday, December 11th. Doors open at 2:00 pm, with a 3:00 pm game start. Stop on by!

Essay Competition

Middle School Essay Contest deadline is Friday, December 17th. Public, private, parochial and home schooled students may participate in the contest. For details, contact the Post Commander.

Wreaths Across America

Saturday, December 18th, will be our “Wreaths Across America” event at Cold Harbor Cemetery. Volunteers placing wreaths arrive by 11:30 am. For more information, contact a Post Legion Rider.

Christmas Social / Mixer

Celebrate the season the evening of Saturday, December 18th, with a catered dinner and live music in the main hall. Doors open at 5:00 pm, with dinner at 6:00 pm. Music starts at 7:00 pm until 9:00 pm. Tickets are required, and are $15 per person. Contact Elizabeth Navas, ALA Chaplain, for ticket information.

Chaplain - Art Aumock

Debbie Livsie is doing well and has reached the end of her quarantine.

John Pratt is in need of a lawyer to help, with some legal issues with the apartment he and wife have been evicted from. I have left him a message, with the social service phone number for Henrico County. He's very hard to reach, by phone. If you know of a lawyer, please contact John directly at 804 615 8398.

After speaking with Chris Hanks, Rick is doing well but, he is in need of encouragement. If you want to visit with him, please give Chris a call set up a time, to visit. Chris 's phone number is 716 812 4040, their address is 7310 Habeas Ct. off AMF road.

Let’s not forget December 7th Pearl Harbor Day.

American Legion Riders: — Jack Barbour

Hello from ALR Chapter 175. Hope everyone is doing well.

Your riders have been busy with several funeral escorts, supporting different events here at the Post.

November 13th, we sent riders to Suffolk to help install ALR 88 riders.

Also some of us remained in the area to raise donations for Liberation Veteran Services, Tech for Troops and the American Legion Families at The Ville.

The Veterans Day Service at Wayside Memorial Park was attended by folks from around the area.

We continue to support the Post and will be providing dinner for the November monthly meeting.

Come on by your Post home and visit with us.

Don't forget Wreaths Across America on December 18th at Cold Harbor National Cemetery.

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2021 Christmas Mother is ready for the challenge

Jim Ridolphi/The Local

JEANNIE RUMMEL
2021 Christmas Mother

Member Update: ALA Unit 175 10-18-2021

Abigail L. Forsyth was a busy girl during the pandemic! She received her Bachelor of Science (BS) Degree in Athletic Training from James Madison University in 2020.

In 2021, Abigail received her Master of Arts (MA) in Interdisciplinary Studies from Liberty University while working as a graduate assistant.

Presently she has an internship at the University of Richmond as a certified Athletic Trainer with the Women's Field Hockey team.

Mother – Lisa Forsyth

Grandmother – Sylvia St. Martin

All members of ALA Unit 175

Birthday cake

Charles Farnsworth (Left) 90th Birthday

Bob Meek (Right) 80th Birthday

(with Joanne Meek)

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IN THE SPIRIT OF SERVICE NOT SELF

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

Dear Auxiliary Members

The American Legion Auxiliary Mission Statement: In the spirit of Service, Not Self, the mission of The American Legion Auxiliary is to support the American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship and peace and security.

The Quilt Raffle made by Fayth Heath has gone very well, thanks to Fayth. The drawing will take place at our November 23 meeting night. If you have not gotten your ticket, please do so. Tickets are only $5.00. The money raised will go towards Wreaths Across America and the Auxiliary Unit 175. Please contact any Auxiliary member for tickets. We want to thank Fayth for all her hard work on this project.

The Post's Christmas Party will be Saturday, December 18. Door open at 5:00 PM; dinner served at 6:00 PM and live entertainment 7:00-9:00 PM. The dinner will be catered by Cracker Barrel. Tickets are $15.00/per person. Please see Elizabeth Navas for tickets.

We will have a social gathering for New Year's Day … Lunch on Saturday, January 1, 2022, with traditional New Year's food items. Please plan to bring a covered dish.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

For God and Country,

Shirley Smith, President

AUXILIARY:

Chaplain's Thoughts

Birthdays - November:

Jessica Horton
Janet Williamson
Barbara Schatzberg
Christine Hanks
Betty Flippo
Jean Montgomery
Judy Baggett
Shirley O'Donovan

Birthdays - December:

Patsy Arnett
Ruby Donovan
Joanne Meek
Carol Blanchard

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Scripture of the Month

Galatians 6:2

(2)Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

"Peace on Earth" quilt handmade by Fayth Heath. Drawing will be held at 6:30 pm at the November 23rd Post dinner, before the general membership meetings.

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Serving Our Community,
State and Nation

CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS: (Calendar details at: www.Post175.org)

November 2021

11 - Thursday: 2:00 pm, Veterans Day Ceremony at Hanover County Veterans Memorial (on Route 301)

23 - Tuesday: 6:00 pm, Membership Dinner (Provided by The American Legion Riders (ALR) of Post 175)

23 - Tuesday: 6:30 pm, "Peace on Earth" Quilt - Raffle Drawing (Benefits our Auxiliary and 'Wreaths Across America')

23 - Tuesday: 7:00 pm, General Membership Meetings

25 - Thursday: Thanksgiving Day

27 - Saturday: No Community Breakfast

December 2021

01 - Wednesday: 5:00 pm, Pot Luck Dinner (Member Lounge)

05 - Sunday: 2:00 pm, Mechanicsville Christmas Parade (Participants meet at Post at 12:00 noon.)

11 - Saturday: 2:00 pm, Army-Navy Game (Game Watch) (Member Lounge)

18 - Saturday: 11:30 am to 2:00 pm, Wreaths Across America (Cold Harbor Cemetery) [In conjunction with VFW 9808]

18 - Saturday, 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm, Christmas Social / Mixer (Catered dinner and live musical entertainment)

25 - Saturday: No Community Breakfast

28 - Tuesday: No membership meetings

January 2022

01 - Saturday: 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm, New Year Pot Luck Lunch and Game Watch (Member Lounge)

08 - Saturday: 1:00 pm, Legion Post-Level Oratorical Contest (Held at Fairmount Church, Mechanicsville)