THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 175

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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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Commander — George Navas

If you wish to keep your Post looking beautiful, won't you volunteer to maintain a 'parking lot island'? Small mower available for your use! Thank you.

Oratorical Contests begin in January for Middle and High Schools. Looking for Judges (and more). Please see me if you are interested.

Junior Shooting Sports Program (JSSP)… We have received the rifles and other gear for our program! We have Coaches and Range Officers currently in training. If you wish to be part of this effort, please contact Jim Oliver, Commander of our SAL Squadron.

Chaplain — Art Aumock

As many already know, Johnny Simmons is in Hanover Rehabilitation.

Rick Hanks is home and improving.

John Pratt is in Our Lady of Hope nursing home.

We have lost a member, who was active with the honor guard, blood drive, ALR, and was past Commander of the SAL. Fred Kuester will be missed by us all please keep his family in your prayers. As of today I am waiting to hear from his son, about funeral arrangements. His son also requested a motorcycle escort and I have been in touch with VFW where he was also an active member, to make this happen. I am sure that between the VFW and American Legion we can show his family how much we all thought of Fred. May God bless his family. Rest in peace brother.

American Legion Riders: — Jack Barbour

Legion riders have been busy this past month with Funeral Escorts in association with both VFW 9808 and the Patriot Guard Riders.

Please keep the family of Comrade Fred Kuester in your thoughts and prayers.

He will be missed by all.

The final amount of donations collected from the Virginia Legacy Run is $43,000. At our post next meeting, Randy Gunn, ISLR Committee will present a plaque to ALR175 for their participation with the Virginia Legacy Run.

We continue to support our Post with Tuesday morning coffee, the Wednesday evening social and the monthly Community

Historian: — Doug Snell

Attached is a list of donors for the 2022 Baseball Program.

BUSINESS NAME	CITY	STATE
Aerial East Gymnastics	Mechanicsville	VA
Colonial Body and Paint Shop	Mechanicsville	VA
George Massey	Mechanicsville	VA
Gilman Heating, Cooling & Plumbing	Ashland	VA
Hill Electrical	Mechanicsville	VA
McCaul, Martin, Evans & Cook, P.C.	Mechanicsville	VA
Mechanicsville Drug Store	Mechanicsville	VA
Phillip C. Zaun General Dentistry	Mechanicsville	VA
The Patron Mexican Restaurant	Mechanicsville	VA
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9808	Mechanicsville	VA
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9808 Aux	Mechanicsville	VA

Sandston Labor Day Parade

Patriots Day Concert

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IN THE SPIRIT OF SERVICE NOT SELF

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

Dear Auxiliary Members,

We are off to a good start for 2021-2022! Attendance is good.

I want to recognize some of our members for their years of service:

21 years: Noreta Guild
25 years: Rosaline Cooke
26 years: Janet Phifer
37 years: Jean Montgomery; Shirley Smith
42 years: Joan Sieg
47 years: Delorise Saller

Thank you for your dedication to this great organization!

If you have not paid your dues for 2021 you have until December 31, 2021. A member failing to pay annual dues by January 21, 2022, will be classified as delinquent. Dues are $35.00/ seniors and $5.00/juniors. Dues may be mailed to Membership Chair Fayth Heath; 3805 Spring Lake Place; Glen Allen, VA 23060.

The American Legion and the Ladies Auxiliary, Post 175, have a Living Memorial Fund (perpetual), established in 2013 in memory of Charles Smith, Jr., for the upkeep and beautification of the post grounds. Donations can be made in memory or in honor of someone.

If you are not getting a newsletter by Email or US Mail, please let me know. This is how you can learn what is going on at the Auxiliary and Post.

For God and Country,
Shirley Smith, President

Chaplain's Thoughts

What a summer we have had and how lucky are we have been to be able to spend our time together again. With the Legion getting back to normal and events coming back online we are again feeling like a Unit. Our Prayer Chain emails are allowing us to feel closer than ever and giving everyone hope and support in the Lord's name. If you wish to be added or have a loved one added to the Prayer Chain Email, please feel free to contact me.

Birthdays

Jordyn Horton	4 Oct
Dianne McCoy	13 Oct
Maria Koenig	15 Oct
Sylvia St. Martin	17 Oct
Sharon Seifert	26 Oct
Jessica Horton	1 Nov
Janet Williamson	3 Nov
Barbara Schatzberg	4 Nov
Christine Hanks	7 Nov
Betty Flippo	10 Nov
Jean Montgomery	14 Nov
Judy Bagget	26 Nov
Shirley O'Donohue	26 Nov

Scripture of the Month

Isaiah 41:10

(10)Do not fear, for I am with you;
Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, surely I will help you, Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.

Raffle Quilt made by Fayth Health for the benefit of the Auxiliary and Wreaths Across America. The drawing will take place on November 23.

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Serving Our Community,
State and Nation

CALENDAR: 2021

SEPTEMBER 2021:

25 Sep, Saturday: Community Breakfast, 7:30 am to 10:00 am
25 Sep, Saturday: ALR and SAL Meetings, 11:00 am
28 Sep, Tuesday: General Membership Meetings, 7:00 pm

OCTOBER 2021:

05 Oct, Tuesday: ExCom Meeting, 7:00 pm
06 Oct, Wednesday: Pot Luck Dinner, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
16 Oct, Saturday: District 13 Meeting (at Post 215), 10:00 am
26 Oct, Tuesday: General Membership Meetings, 7:00 pm
30 Oct, Saturday: Community Breakfast, 7:30 am to 10:00 am
30 Oct, Saturday: ALR and SAL Meetings, 11:00 am

NOVEMBER 2021:

02 Nov, Tuesday: ExCom Meeting, 7:00 pm
03 Nov, Wednesday: Pot Luck Dinner, 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
11 Nov, Thursday: Veterans Day (Ceremony at Memorial on Route 301), 2:00 pm
23 Nov, Tuesday: Membership Dinner (provided by ALR), 6:00 pm
23 Nov, Tuesday: Peace on Earth Quilt Raffle Drawing, 6:30 pm
23 Nov, Tuesday: General Membership Meetings, 7:00 pm
25 Nov, Thursday: Thanksgiving
27 Nov, Saturday: No Community Breakfast