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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View and keep your Legion record up-to-date at "myLegion.org" online. You can pay your dues, print membership cards, and so much more… at: www.myLegion.org.

Please: Don't forget to maintain your parking lot "island" over the summer. Thank you.

Wish to help your community and Post? We can use Committee chairs and members to help us manage our community outreach and programs. Areas in need: Americanism, Children and Youth Programs, Honor Flight Coordinator, Social Events Coordinator, and more. Contact our Post Commander for opportunities and details. It is you, our membership, that are the heart and soul of our Post. Won't you lend a hand? Thank you.

Chaplain — Art Aumock

RICK HANKS is in Hanover Rehabilitation Center hopefully coming home on Wednesday July 21st.

I would like to say that, when Rick comes home, Chris will need some help getting Rick to and from doctors appointments and general things. I will put a signup sheet in the post for anyone who would be interested in helping Chris out.

JOHN PRATT is in Our Lady of Hope nursing home 13700 No. Gayton Rd. Richmond, Virginia 23233. Phone number 804 614 7700.

TOM RUMMEL is home recuperating from knee surgery. I spoke with Tom yesterday (7/14),he is in good spirits.

I will be in and out of town after 24th of July until the 23rd of August. If you need to get in touch with me from the 24th until the 9th, you will be able call or text me at 631 807-2979. The 13th to 23rd you may not be able to reach me, but you may be able to text me and will try to respond. I don't know what the reception will be like where I'm going.

American Legion Riders: — Jack Barbour

For the month of June, the riders travelled a total of 11,157 miles with a total of 786 hours in events. On June 5th, five riders rode to South Boston for the installation of a new Riders Chapter at Post 8. On June 7th, ALR 175 Riders, along with VFW 9808 Riders, escorted the Interment of Richard Bowen to Amelia Veterans Cemetery. He was a Post member for 61 years.

On the 26th of June, five riders assisted with Community Breakfast. Also on June 26th, six riders participated in the 2021 In State Legacy Ride. The cut-off date for donations is August 15th. So far, we have exceeded $40,000.

On June 29th, the Patriot Guard provided the Flag Line for SSG Raymond Blanton's viewing and then on the 30th, they escorted his remains to St. Benedicts Catholic Church followed with Interment at Maury Cemetery.

In June we elected the following individuals to serve as the 2021-2022 Officers: Director - Jack Barbour, Assistant Director - Tom Esker, Adjutant/Treasurer - Dan Ossa, Ride Captain - Jim Oliver, Safety Officer - Richard "Crash" Ryker, and Chaplain - Art Aumock. We continue to support the Post.

Historian: — Doug Snell

Tom Esker (left), Jack Barbour (center) and Daniel Ossa (right) present Richard Bowen's ashes for interment at Amelia Cemetery on June 7, 2021.

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Honor Guard Captain Thomas Rummel presents the flag at Bowen's internment.

Honor Guard Lt. Colin Williamson (on the left), Chaplain Arthur Aumock (center), Finance Officer Douglas Snell (not shown), and Commander George Navas (on the right) read at the interment of Richard Bowen at Amelia National Cemetery on June 7, 2021.

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IN THE SPIRIT OF SERVICE NOT SELF

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS:

Dear Auxiliary Members,

Congratulations to all of the members that stepped up to be officers for 2021-2022:

Shirley Smith	President
Diane Lewter	1st Vice President
JoAnne Meek	2nd Vice President
Fayth Heath	Secretary
Jean Austin	Treasurer
Elizabeth Navas	Chaplain
Carolyn Nicholas	Sergeant-at-Arms
Fayth Heath	Membership Chairman
Betty Flippo	Historian

I'm looking forward to a new year working together and all things are possible. We have a great group of Ladies.

If you have not paid your 2021 membership dues, you have until December 31, 2021. A member failing to pay annual dues by January 31, 2022 shall be classified as delinquent.

You can now start paying your 2022 dues of $35.00 and send to Fayth Heath; 3805 Spring Lake Place; Glen Allen, VA, 23060 (Membership Chairman).

For God and Country,
Shirley Smith, President
The American Legion Ladies Auxiliary (TALA), Unit 175

CHAPLIAN - Elizabeth Navas

Chaplain's Thoughts

Beginning a new year with new leadership is always a little scary but my faith is in the comradery and the friendship of the membership and the expectation of great things to come. Congratulations to all the returning members and the new members to the team. May our mission be blessed, and our time be used wisely.

Birthdays

Marian Wright	1-Jul
Betsy Mayr	8-Jul
Donna Goupil	10-Jul
Lisa Forsyth	14-Jul
Sandra Childress	23-Jul
Barbara Borden	26-Jul
Patricia Lewis	3-Aug
Diane Lewter	8-Aug
Kayla Flippo	15-Aug
Nicole Wickens	15-Aug
Carolyn Tucker	10-Sep
Janet Givens	18-Sep
Dora Sydnor	18-Sep

Scripture of the Month

(12) This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you. (13) Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:12-13

Many thanks to Kim's Nails, Mechanicsville, for allowing us to distribute Poppies on National Poppy Day, coinciding with Memorial Day weekend.

Pictured: Fayth Heath, Secretary and Membership Chair of The American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 175.

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State and Nation

CALENDAR: 2021

JULY:

Tuesday, Jul 27: AL/ALA Membership Meeting - 7 pm
Saturday, Jul 31: Community Breakfast - 7:30 to 10 am

AUGUST:

Tuesday, Aug 03: AL Executive Ctee. Meeting - 7 pm
Wednesday, Aug 04: Pot Luck Dinner - 5 to 8 pm
Tuesday, Aug 24: AL/ALA Membership Meeting - 7 pm
Saturday, Aug 28: Community Breakfast - 7:30 to 10 am

SEPTEMBER:

Tuesday, Sep 07: AL Executive Ctee. Meeting - 7 pm
Wednesday, Sep 08: Pot Luck Dinner, 5 to 8 pm
Saturday, Sep 25: Community Breakfast - 7:30 to 10 am
Tuesday, Sep 28: AL/ALA Membership Meeting - 7 pm

Every Tuesday morning: 9 to 11 am – Coffee and Doughnuts Social

First Wednesday of the Month: Pot Luck Dinner Social – 5 to 8 pm

Last Saturday of the month: ALR/S.A.L. Membership Meeting – 11 am to 12:30 pm (Following the Community Breakfast)

For a full calendar of events, visit the Post web page at: www.post175.org.