



# The American Legion

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**AUGUST 2019**



HOME POST OF PRESIDENT HARRY S TRUMAN  
CHARTERED MAY 1, 1921

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**Daryl Wimmer**  
**Acting Kitchen Manager**  
**Looking for kitchen volunteers**

**MONDAY-TUESDAY**  
**SNACK BAR MENU**

**FRIDAY -SATURDAY**  
**SNACK BAR MENU**

**NO DINNER SPECIALS IN AUGUST**

**THE OFFICE MANAGER QUIT AND DOROTHY  
BALLEW IS THE VOLUNTEER MANAGER AT THIS  
POINT**

**BEAR WITH US UNTIL WE GET THIS UNDER  
CONTROL**

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It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit **President Harry S Truman**



## THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



Greetings to all SAL Members.

SAL would like to Welcome the Returning Officers of 2019-2020. Daryl Wimmer - Commander /Adjutant, Vice Commander - Doug Savage, Walt

Seigler - Financial Officer, Kent Groom - Chaplain, Leroy Brugioni - Sergeant at Arms.

SAL are always looking for any ideas for helping raise money for Veterans and other Organizations. Please bring your ideas to the meeting on August 7th at 7 PM.

The New Year is here and its time to pay your dues for 2020. We are updating our data base so if you have moved, change of PHONE NUMBER, or EMAIL address. Please fill out the envelop with correct info or there are envelopes behind the bar in the Lounge. Bartenders can take the payments and if its by Credit Card, need a copy of receipt with all the correct information and \$20 for Age 18 and older. Under age 18 is \$10. Our goal is to have many new members this year. Meeting is the First Wednesday's of the Month at 7 pm in the Hall.

The SAL will be participating in the **Post Early Bird Breakfast September 14th**. Renew the memberships July 1st to September 11th in order to qualify for the Early Bird.

The Sons would like to invite EVERYONE to join us in the Lounge for Sunday Football again this year. We will be providing the Hot Dogs and hopefully you will help us provide the fun again. If you missed out last year, just ask anyone who was here, We all had a great tailgate last football season. We will be starting in September 8th from Noon till when ever. Feel free to bring a side dish, and as Always, Donations are welcome. Hope to see you soon!

**Commander Daryl Wimmer**

## MINUTES OF POST MONTHLY MEETING

THERE WAS  
NO MEETING  
IN JULY

-Tom Tanner, Post 21 Adjutant  
adjutantpost21@gmail.com

### Aphorisms 2

An Aphorism is a statement of truth or opinion expressed in a concise and witty manner. The term is often applied to philosophical, moral and literary principles.

- \* I read that 4,153,237 people got married last year. Not to cause any trouble, but shouldn't that be an even number?
- \* I find it ironic that the colors red, white, and blue stand for freedom until they are flashing behind you.
- \* Relationships are a lot like algebra. Have you ever looked at your X and wondered Y?
- \* America is a country which produces citizens who will cross the ocean to fight for democracy but won't cross the street to vote.
- \* You know that tingly little feeling you get when you love someone? That's your common sense leaving your body.
- \* My therapist says I have a preoccupation with vengeance. We'll see about that.
- \* Denny's has a slogan, "If it's your birthday, the meal is on us." If you're in Denny's and it's your birthday, your life sucks!
- \* The location of your mailbox shows you how far away from your house you can go in a robe before you start looking like a mental patient
- \* The reason Mayberry was so peaceful and quiet was because nobody was married. Andy, Aunt Bea, Barney, Floyd, Howard, Goober, Gomer, Sam, Ernest T. Bass, Helen, Thelma Lou, Clara and, of course, Opie were all single. The only married person was Otis, and he stayed drunk.

# 2020 DUES ARE DUE

## THE COMMANDER'S CORNER

Ready, Set, Go!

The new American Legion year has started, and we are off to the races. The new year has already proven it is going to be fast paced filled with change and opportunities to improve our operations. Change can be a good thing and we think we are making some changes early on that will make us better. For starters we are focusing on bringing back the benefits of being a member at Post 21. We will start by bringing back the ever popular "Early Bird Breakfast" which will be held on Saturday September 14th and will be free to all members who have renewed their dues by the September 11th cutoff. This has historically been a fun event and this year we will celebrate its return with drawings for door prizes. So, get your dues sent in and get ready for a great meal and some family friendly fun. This is just the first "member first" activity we have planned so stay tuned.



PLEASE USE THIS FEATURE  
IT'S CONVENIENT AND IT ELIMINATES  
A STEP IN THE PROCESSING OF CARDS

You may also have noticed some personnel changes in the front office and some friendly faces from our past who have graciously offered their time to help us strengthen our business operations. On July 9th I accepted the resignation of our business manager Rebecca Wall who is pursuing other interests and thanked her for her hard work this past year. Rebecca is a very talented young lady who put her heart into the post and we wish her great success in her future endeavors. So now what? I would like to officially welcome back Dorothy Ballew to our front office as our business manager. Dorothy served our post in this capacity for many years and she has agreed to jump back in to help us out and we appreciate it. Make sure to stop in and say hello to her and let her know how much we appreciate her time and energy.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Lastly, I want to thank the countless volunteers who made the fireworks tent so successful. A special thanks to Adjutant Tom Tanner, Finance Officer Sylvia Tanner, SAL Commander Daryl Wimmer, SAL Treasurer Walt Seigler and his wife Christie Seigler for their extra dedication to this cause. It was truly a team effort and we will make sure to properly recognize all of our volunteers at the August meeting.

We are off to a good start but there will certainly be more changes in the future. I promise we will always put you the member first in every decision we make. Thanks for sticking with us and for your continued support and commitment to our post home. See you around the Post!



Commander Mark Clark!



## AUXILIARY NEWS

Best Wishes to Marsha Mooney

Congratulations and best wishes to Marsha Mooney as she begins her term as President of the American Legion Department of Missouri. I hope she has a very successful year ahead. Her "Homecoming" will be held the evening of September 20. Make plans to join us as we celebrate her new position within the Legion family. Her President's Project will be the American Legion Legacy Fund.

I have so many emotions about serving as your president this year. I'm excited, nervous, overwhelmed and intimidated by what is ahead. Let's start with the overwhelmed feelings. I have several committees to fill and I don't know where to start other than asking for volunteers. The committees are:

- Children and Youth
- National Security (currently serving military)
- VA & R (veterans)
- Americanism
- Girl's State
- General Fundraising
- Community Service
- Parliamentarian
- Next fall, I will need to appoint a budget committee and an audit committee

If there is a committee you would find of interest, please give me a call or drop me an e-mail.

I would like to see us participate in a Christmas party/food and paper goods drive for the National Guard Armory like the Post did jointly last year. It was wonderful to see the Post families work together toward a common goal...giving those families a memorable Christmas.

What do you want out of our meetings? There is an opening service we need to hold to, but after that...are you interested in working on projects? Having guest speakers? Learning how to research your military ancestors? Putting together Care Packages for service members? I really want your input and suggestions, so please reach out and share your ideas with me.

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816-507-3033  
**Auxiliary 21 President**

### Auxiliary New Members, Transfers, Deaths

**New:**

**Transfer:**

**Death: Lois Burns, Maybelle Mooney, and Wilma C. Flansburg**

## AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



Hello Post 21 Family,

Summer brings the busy season for the ALR and our members are out and about representing the Post in all sorts of activities. Please lookout for motorcyclist of all kinds as we can sometimes be hard to spot.

We are looking forward to the new Legion year.

Burger Night will be coming up on the 21st and we would love to see the whole Post family there. We provide the labor and the Post gets all of the profits, so it's a great night to help contribute to the success of the Post and our programs.

The Post Breakfast is another great opportunity for us all to get together to enjoy some fellowship with the rest of the Post family. This will be a starting point for some of our activities in the coming year so try to come in for a great breakfast and some laughs with your comrades.

I want to thank the Chapter for your commitment to the activities of the Post. We are all members of the Legion, Auxiliary or Sons first and it's important that we support all of the activities of the entire family. A lot of good work was done in the fireworks tent, gun show, and craft fair in particular and I thank you again for all that you do.

Until next month,

**Don Decker - ALR Chapter 21 Director**

### NEW MEMBERS

### TRANSFERS:

**NO CALENDAR THIS MONTH**

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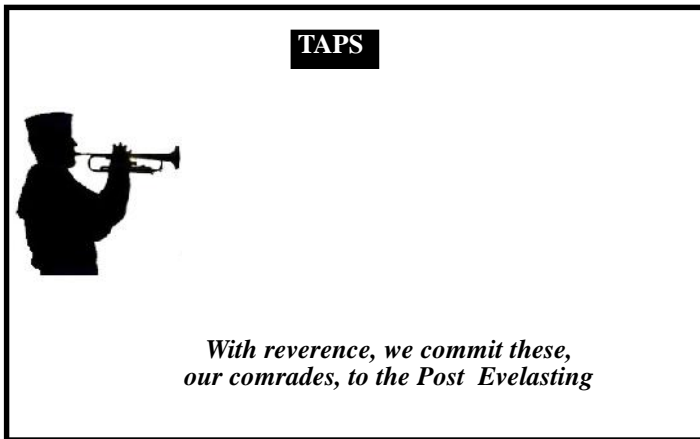
**MENU-DANCES ETC.**

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**1. E-MAIL (Contact your adjutant or secretary which ever applies)**

**2. WEB PAGE (<http://moalpost21.org>)**

**3. PICK ONE UP AT THE POST (limited number)**



### **AUGUST 2019 BIRTHDAYS**

"Happy Birthday and Best Wishes"  
We have 97 members with August birthdays.  
We hope you enjoy your special day!  
1@101, 2@92, 1@91, 2@90  
The youngest will turn 37 this month.

## **FROM THE ADJUTANT'S DESK**

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Post membership ended the year at 1275 members.

The new Legion year is upon us. Renewal notices will be mailed sometime in July so watch for them. There are several ways to renew your dues, first is to pay on line at <https://www.legion.org/> second is to mail them to the post, or visit the post and pay them in person.

**The post will host an early bird breakfast on September 14, 2019. The breakfast is free to all members that have renewed their membership for the 2020 membership year. To receive an early bird stamp you must renew your dues NLT September 11, 2019.**

Some Emails are still a problem. I will publish another list soon of the emails that are bouncing back. Starting July 1, a lot of the correspondence that comes out of the post will be via email or the web page.

Effective July 1 the post will no longer be mailing out newsletters. The newsletter will be available on the web site, <http://moalpost21.org> or via email. There will be limited number of printed copies of the newsletter available at the post.

If you have moved recently please let the post know your new address.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all that volunteered to work the fireworks stand. It was another successful venture. Without the help of all the volunteers we could not have made this work. Again a big THANKS to all that helped.

If you have anything you would like to be included on the Post web site, feel free to contact me or Bob Ford. The monthly newsletter is now available on the web site. You can also print it directly from the web site.

The e-mail address for Post is [adjutantpost21@gmail.com](mailto:adjutantpost21@gmail.com).

**-Tom Tanner, Post 21 Adjutant  
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**AUGUST 2019 FRIDAY ROCK & ROLL DANCE SCHEDULE**

**AUGUST 2: TRIO**  
**AUGUST 9: SUPERMATICS**  
**AUGUST 16: SOULED OUT**  
**AUGUST 23: OASIS**  
**AUGUST 30: ROUTE 66**  
**\$7.00 Admission**  
**Doors Open 5:30 PM**  
**Beverage & Snack Bars Open 5:30 PM**  
**Dance Time 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM**  
**Join Us & Have a Blast!**

**Wes Blake**



<b><u>AUGUST 2019 DANCE SCHEDULE</u></b>	
<b>3</b>	<b>Route 66</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>Reddymen</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Sweetwater</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>Reddymen</b>

**Doors open at 5:30 P.M.**  
**Beverage & Snack Bars Open at 5:30 P.M.**  
**Dance Time - 7:00 P.M.-10:30 P.M.**  
**Admission to Saturday Dances \$7.00**

**Our Nation's Debt**

Our Nation is in Deep Debt. We're spending money we don't have—we're borrowing from our kids; how will they pay it back. Here's an example: There's the overpriced, over budget and overdue F-35 Joint Strike Fighter, "including eight additional planes for the Air Force, six for the Navy, and two for the Marine Corps. In development for nearly 18 years and eight years behind schedule, total acquisition costs now exceed \$428 billion; nearly double the initial estimate of \$233 billion. A 2019 DOD Selected Acquisition Report noted that the F-35's lifetime operation and maintenance costs will total approximately \$1.2 trillion, the most expensive weapon system in US history."

This is the Pentagon's equivalent of California's ludicrous \$77 billion high-speed rail project, which at least has been sharply cut back. Unfortunately, when it comes to federal spending, failure is never a sufficient reason to stop.

**FLY THE FLAG**



**August 10th 1821 Missouri became the 24th state**

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