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Bingo is back at Post 21!
Starting Monday, June 15th 2020
Doors open at 4pm

Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic and the CDC, County and City guidelines the following will be strictly adhered to. We will relax restrictions as soon as we can.

- Social Distancing of 6' will be enforced
- Please wear a mask in the lobby, Kitchen Line, and Event Tabs for the safety of our volunteers.
- Only 125 players will be allowed to enter at this time.
- No reservation of tables.
- Families must sit in designated areas.
- Temperature will be checked before entering the bingo hall. (Must be below 99.5 degrees).
- If you are feeling sick, please do not enter the building.

Thank you and WELCOME BACK!

Your Bingo Committee

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THE TIREY J. FORD POST 21 NEWS



AUGUST 2020

THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

MINUTES OF POST MONTHLY MEETING



Greetings to all SAL Members. SAL would like to Welcome the Returning Officers and new Officers o 2020-2021. Daryl Wimmer - Commander/Adjutant, Doug Savage- Vice Commander, Walt Seigler - Financial Officer, Mike Lapanne - Chaplain, James Stoneman - Sergeant at Arms.

The New Year is here for the Son's of American Legion. It is time to pay your dues for 2021. We are Updating our data base so if you have moved, change your phone number or email address, please update when renewing your information for 2021 membership. Please fill out the envelop in the office or there are envelopes behind the bar in the Lounge. Bartenders can take credit card payments and need a copy of receipt with all the correct information. Under age of 18 are \$15 and over 18 are \$25. Our goal is to have many new members for 2021.

Next meeting is August 5th at 6PM in the hall. Hope to see you all and plan for new events and ideas for help raise money for Veterans and other Organizations.

Commander Daryl Wimmer

MEETING WAS CANCELED FOR JULY



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THE COMMANDER'S CORNER

Patience Is a Virtue

The old saying "patience is a virtue" would never apply to me because I always want to keep moving forward, no matter what project I am working on. It appears however that COVID-19 is reminding me of a lesson my mom tried to instill in me years ago, and that is we can't always get things done on our preferred timeline. Sometimes you just have to slow down and roll with the punches and the past four months have reminded us all of that fact. Even though we are not fully back to normal the way I had hoped we would be by this time, we are getting closer and that doesn't happen without the dedication of our paid staff, our committee chairpersons, and our committee members.

To get our doors back open our business manager Dorothy Ballew has worked hard behind the scenes to keep our costs down while increasing our profit margins on the business side of the house. Chairman Fred Denny and our House Committee has continued to put work into improving our kitchen efficiency and the quality of the food being produced. John Cuezze continues to volunteer when needed and his contributions to our kitchen operations have been immeasurable.

Our Bingo Chairperson and Sons of The American Legion Commander Daryl Wimmer along with our Post 3rd Vice Commander Regina Slade have our bingo operation back up and running generating some much needed revenue and bringing life back to our post community. Our Dance Chairman and Post Service Officer Wayne Keller is leaning forward and planning a dance schedule that will be ready to execute once the health professionals give us the green light. Post Adjutant Tom Tanner and his group of dedicated volunteers have kept our food pantry up and running despite having no real means of soliciting donations on any large scale. These are just a few examples of the leadership and commitment that has us moving in the right direction during this pandemic slowdown.

I know that many of you long for the days that our lounge will be open regular hours, our dances will be running at full steam, and our lounge entertainment will be back to normal. Believe me, I am rowing that boat with you, but we are doing all we can in light of the restrictions brought on by COVID-19. So, I am asking you to be patient and to stick with us as we work through this troubled time. We have the right team at the right time to get us through this crisis and our Past Post Adjutant and current newsletter editor Ed Murray will make sure updates are included in each newsletter.

Speaking of newsletter, this will be my last article as your commander, and I want to say thank you to each and everyone of you for supporting me this past 12 months. On July 31st we will install Bob Ford as our new commander, and he will need our support. I know I can count on you to not only support him, but to jump in and help when and where needed. Through this entire COVID-19 shutdown and recovery, Bob has been our post community coordinator and has worked exceptionally hard to get us ready to open back up in stages with a goal of normal operations as soon as possible. His love and commitment to Post 21 should never be questioned and I know he will be a great commander.

So, the moral to the story is that patience is truly a virtue and at times like these we must embrace it whether we like it or not. God bless, be safe, and I hope to see you around the Post.

Commander Mark Clark!



Help desperately needed for Tuesday night bingo. We need volunteers to work as callers. Two years membership in the Post is required to work bingo. Bingo helps support the Post, members of the Post need to help support bingo.

2021

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AUXILIARY NEWS

The August Auxiliary meeting will be held as scheduled on Thursday, August 6 at 7:00 p.m. We will conduct our annual memorial service and discuss our 2020-2021 budget. I included the budget in the e-mail sent to members on July 1. If you haven't reviewed it, please do and let me know your thoughts.

We have seen a very small increase in bingo participants, but haven't broken the 100 player mark yet. With social distancing the hall can accommodate 120 so we have room for about 35 more players every week. That would be nice, but I don't expect it to happen overnight.

The August food pantry date is August 29 from 9 to 12. The children's clothing give-away will be held on August 12-13. We will need several volunteers to help set up the clothing by size and assist our guests. On August 12, the hours will be 6-8 p.m. Hours on August 13 will be 10-3. Open to all military families, active duty, veterans, National Guard too. Please pass the word along and plan to come help if you possibly can. We will also have men's clothing available. The children's clothing will help families get ready for the new school year.

REMINDER: Auxiliary dues are due now.

Our dues are \$30.00/year.

Lana Butler, Unit 21 President
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Auxiliary New Members, Transfers, Deaths

New:

Betty Tilliston, Edna Lotts

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



My Fellow Riders and Legionnaires,

We continue to travel down this crazy road of 2020 and the future seems a little uncertain at times. I am thankful to have my friends at Post 21 and especially those of ALR Chapter 21. I have enjoyed spending some time back at the Post recently and look forward to things beginning to look a bit more like normal for all of us.

Breakfast is Back! We have put on the Breakfast Buffet the past two months and look forward to the next one on August 8th. Please plan to come out and enjoy breakfast in the Hall and see some old friends. This is an important part of the Post calendar and we look forward to seeing you there.

The Riders will be presenting Burger Night on the third Wednesday each month. This is another opportunity for you to enjoy a bit of fellowship with the rest of the Legion family. It's also a great night for the Post. With the ALR providing the labor we can give the Post a financial boost with your help.

The ALR will be resuming our Monthly Dinner rides and we have some other fun rides planned to get everyone together. No better way to Social Distance than chasing each other out on the open road.

I do look forward to seeing you all again very soon and I'm hopeful for a future full of fun and fellowship.

Don Decker - ALR Chapter 21 Director

Definitions

ADULT - A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.

BEAUTY PARLOR - A place where women curl up and dye.

CHICKENS - The only animal you eat before they are born and after they are dead.

COMMITTEE - A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

DUST - Mud with the juice squeezed out.

EGOTIST - Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.

HANDKERCHIEF - Cold Storage.

INFLATION - Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

MOSQUITO - An insect that makes you like flies better.

POLITICAL CORRECTNESS - A doctrine fostered by a delusional, illogical minority.

RAISIN - A grape with a sunburn.

SECRET - A story you tell to one person at a time.

SKELETON - A bunch of bones with the person scraped off.

TOOTHACHE - The pain that drives you to extraction.

TOMORROW - One of the greatest labor saving devices of today.

YAWN - An honest opinion openly expressed.

WRINKLES - Something other people have....similar to my character lines.

OLD - I very quietly confided to my friend that I was having an Affair. She turned to me and asked, "Are you having it catered?" . . . and that, my friend, is the definition of 'OLD'!!!

Wearing a mask in public is annoying enough — but an irritating side effect makes the practice even worse for those who wear eyeglasses or sunglasses. As anyone who dons spectacles quickly realizes, wearing a mask can cause your lenses to fog. Every time you breathe, the warm air you exhale travels into the mask, then up and over your lenses. Because the lenses are cooler, fog forms. Fortunately, the following fixes can prevent this annoyance.

1. Soap and water

A 2011 study published in the journal Annals of the Royal College of Surgeons of England found that a little soap and water goes a long way toward eliminating unwanted fogging. According to the study authors: "*Immediately before wearing a face mask, wash the spectacles with soapy water and shake off the excess. Then, let the spectacles air dry or gently dry off the lenses with a soft tissue before putting them back on. Now the spectacle lenses should not mist up when the face mask is worn.*" One caveat: Although dish soap typically is recommended for this technique, it's important to choose a brand that does not use lotion, which can harm the lenses. Lukewarm water also is recommended, as hot water can damage lenses too.

2. Anti-fog spray

Sprays also are available to keep your lenses mist-free. You can find anti-fog sprays at Amazon. Just note that these can cause irritation of the eyes in some people, so they may not work for everyone.

3. Tuck a small tissue into the mask

Newsweek says attaching a small tissue to the inside of the mask will absorb moisture that otherwise would find its way to the lenses. The publication recommends placing a folded tissue at the top of your mask and taping it there. The tissue should absorb some of the air making it less likely for your glasses to get foggy.

4. Slide your glasses further down your nose

By sliding your spectacles a little lower down your nose, you can keep them out of the way of the moist air escaping from the top of the mask. This is probably not an ideal long-term solution, but it works in a pinch.

5. Fold down your face mask

For masks without flexible metal noses, one method to try is folding down the top quarter of the face mask to allow more room for the air to escape before it meets your glasses. However, be aware that folding down the mask reduces the area of your face that is covered.

6. Modify the mask to better fit your face

Finally, Glamour says a mask that fits your face more snugly is less likely to produce fogging. So, if the mask has a wire inside the top edge, pinch it to your nose. If your mask doesn't have a wire, Glamour recommends a tutorial that can help you create a mask with a "flexible nose."

Note: Remember, do not touch the mask while wearing it. If you do touch the mask clean your hands.

[Source: New York Times | Jason Gutierrez | June 3, 2020 ++]

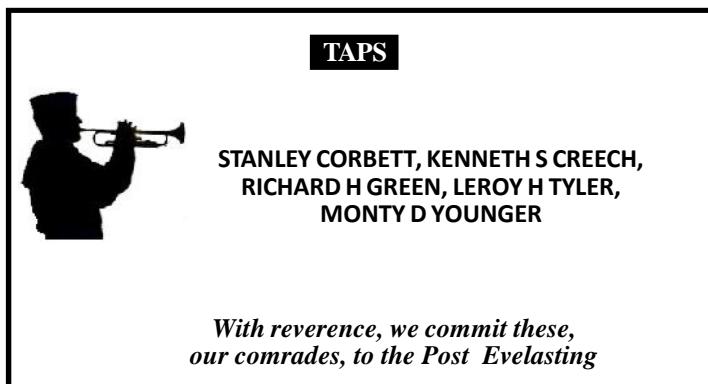
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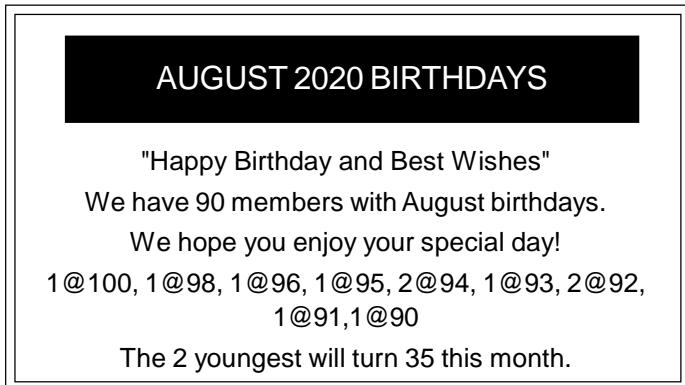


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NO DANCES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

AUGUST 2020 DANCE SCHEDULE

8 Reddymen
15 Sweetwater
22 Reddymen
29 Reddymen

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.

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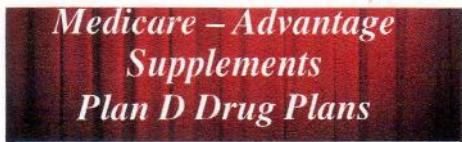
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