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*From the Staff and Legion Family  
Of Post 21*

### POST EVENTS FOR JANUARY

AUXILIARY E-BOARD MEETING JANUARY 4th

**POST MEETING - JANUARY 5th @ 7:00 PM**  
**AUXILIARY MEETING - JANUARY 5th @ 7:00 PM**  
**SAL MEETING - JANUARY 5th @ 7:00 PM**

**ALR MEETING - JANUARY 19th @ 6:30 PM**

**HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING @ 6:30 PM**

**POST E-BOARD MEETING JANUARY 19th @ 7:00 PM**

**DANCES 4 Dances in January- See Page 3**

**BINGO - Mondays & Tuesdays at 6:30 PM-Doors and  
Snack Bar open 4:00 PM.**



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### POST OFFICERS - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Commander	Mike Feliciano
1st Vice Commander	Ed Murray
2nd Vice Commander	Noel Tyler
3rd Vice Commander	Ed Witthar
Adjutant	Tom Tanner
Finance Officer	Sylvia Tanner
Judge Advocate	Wes Blake
Historian	David Cary
Service Officer	James Harris
Chaplain	Kerry Boardman
Sergeant-at-Arms	Chris Wehr
Past Commander	Phil Greco

### COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Americanism	Chris Wehr
Athletic	Boyd Lighthill
Bingo	Gary Pace
Boy's State	OPEN
Budget & Finance	Robert Cadet Patrol
	Norman D'Angelo
Dance	Wayne Keller
Home Improvement	OPEN
Kitchen	Cynthia Stephenson
Newsletter Editor	Ed Murray
Oratorical	Ralph Buchanan
Patriotic Council	Archie Hughes
R.O.T.C.	Mark Clark
Salvation Army	Tom Tanner
School Awards	OPEN

### HOUSE COMMITTEE

Don Decker Dir. of Bldg. Oper, Bill Nash, Michael Keene, Dennis Mooney, Chuck Wilhelm

### AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President	Gayle Metzinger
Vice President	Suzanne Procter
Secretary	Marsha Mooney
Treasurer	Lana Butler
Historian	Linda Clark
Chaplain	Fran Myer
Sergeant-at-Arms	Linda Vetter

### SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Commander	Daryl Wimmer
Vice Commander	Jim Williams
Adjutant	Keith Constance
Finance Officer	Lee Meyer
Historian	Daryl Wimmer
Chaplain	Kent Groom
Sergeant-at-Arms	Leroy Brugioni

### AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS OFFICERS

Director	Bob Ford
Assistant Director	James Harris
Secretary	Suzanne Procter
Treasurer	Ed Witthar
Judge Advocate	Everett Ellis
Historian	David Cary
Chaplain	Don Leming
Sergeant-at-Arms	Dan Orr

### MINUTES OF POST MONTHLY MEETING

Commander Mike Feliciano called the regular monthly of the Tirey J Ford Post 21 to order at 7:03 PM, 1 Dec. 2016, at the Post Home. Commander Feliciano conducted the opening ritual.

Chaplain Kerry Boardman gave the opening prayer.

1st Vice Ed Murray placed the POW/MIA Flag on the Empty chair.

There were 12 officers and 30 members present.

Finance Officer Sylvia Tanner read the Finance Report for the month of Nov. A motion was made by Mark Clark to accept the Finance Report as read. The motion was 2nd by Everett Ellis . The motion carried. A copy of the last report is posted on the bulletin board in the Lounge.

The Executive Committee meeting minutes from 17 Nov. 16 were read. Noel Tyler made a motion to approve the Executive Committee actions. 2nd by Kerry Boardman. Motion carried.

#### **·Officer Reports:**

Adjutant Tom Tanner gave the member ship report: as of 23 Nov 16, 1224 members have renewed giving the Post a 75.46% of the goal as per Department.

James Harris gave the Riders report.

**Committee Reports:** Gary Pace gave the Bingo report. Gary presented the Post with a \$5000.00 check.

Wes Blake gave the dance report.

New members and transfers were read. A motion was made by Noel Tyler to accept the new members and transfers. 2nd by Kerry Boardman and carried by voice vote to accept the new members.

There were 6 deceased members for the month of Nov.

Adjutant read correspondence.

#### **New Business:**

Gary Pace was selected to be the new Bingo Chairman. A motion to accept Gary Pace as Bingo Chairman was made by Mark Clark. 2nd by Kerry Boardman. Motion carried.

A resolution was submitted by Mark Clark for consideration to be Zone II Vice Commander for the Legion year of 2017-2018. A motion was made by Mike Sweeney to accept Mark Clark's resolution for Zone II Vice Commander. 2nd by Kerry Boardman. Motion carried.

The 1st Vice removed the POW/Mia Flag from the empty chair.

The Chaplain gave the closing prayer.

Commander Feliciano conducted the closing ritual and the meeting was adjourned at 7:35PM.

The next regular scheduled meeting is 5 January 2017, at 7PM.

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





## AUXILIARY NEWS

Happy New Year! It is a new beginning and time for us to knuckle down and serve our military personnel and their families. Our duty to serve is not just a Christmas concentration but a year-round opportunity to give our best. The Christmas families expressed their utmost thanks for the gifts they received. Food and gifts for the children were the most important items the families asked for. As a soldier would, they asked nothing for themselves but only for the children. After much cajoling the adults added a few things. We are honored to be of assistance.

As I write this, the Chiefs are in first place! How exciting it is to be in Chiefs Kingdom! We will be tailgating through the playoffs or as long as the Chiefs play. Please join us in the lounge for a fun tailgating party. It's warm, there's good food, and you don't have to pay \$40 parking! It's a win-win for everybody. At this time allow me to thank Marsha and Bonnie and those who worked for a season well done. Also, many thanks to those who came in to watch the game week after week. We are evaluating the success of our tailgating for next year so please join us as often as you can.

January is also the time for reports as it is our mid-year point. Auxiliary members please get your committee reports to me. Our reports determine the course of funding from Congressional Committees. You may think that the four hours you spent distributing poppies does not amount to anything, however, there are 240 Units across the state of Missouri. If each Unit reported four hours, then that would equal 960 hours in service to our Veterans. Every hour counts. Every hour matters. See me if you have any questions.

We will begin our executive meetings as of January 4th, weather permitting. We will leave a message on the answering machine for cancellations. Please check if you are unsure. January is the month we recognize Legislation and National Security. We will have a short presentation at our regular meeting.

Fifth District meeting is January 18th at 11:30 at the DAV 8787 Santa Fe Trail (87th and Blue Ridge Cut-off). By being a member of a Unit, you are automatically a member of the Fifth District. Please come to one of our meetings. We have a nice lunch followed by a business meeting. Reservations are required. call Helen Hatz at 361-4374 or 806-5358.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day is January 16. We honor him for his work toward the civil rights of his fellow man. Dr. King gave his life fighting for the rights not only for African Americans but also for all Americans. I remember exactly where I was when he was assassinated. Do you?

Rejoice in this New Year where anything is achievable and may all your dreams come true.

**Gayle Metzinger**  
**Auxiliary Unit 21 President**

## AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



Greetings Fellow Riders, Legionnaires, Auxiliary, and SAL,

Happy New Year! May the New Year bring you all happiness and success.

In spite of me being out of commission most of December our Riders carried the load and continued doing what they do best. Serving our fellow Vets. Several adopted families had a nice Christmas thanks to the Riders with help from SAL, Auxiliary, Legionnaires, and our Wednesday morning pool players. We are stronger when we band together as the family that we are. Thank you all for such great support.

Once again, we along with help from our Legion family were out ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at HyVee. December 4th had Santa and Mrs. Claus helping out for awhile. Lots of pictures were taken and as usual it was just a jolly good time. You really owe it to yourself to try to join us next year and see for yourself how our Legion family brings the joy of the season to the patrons. We had both doors with the buckets overflowing as usual.

The weather did not stop our Chapter from attending the missions for our fallen. If it is dry we ride, if not, we are still there. Caging it (i.e. forced to take a car) is not our preference but safety is always more important. We cannot serve our vets if we make bad decisions.

Thank you all for your help!

**Bob Ford - ALR Chapter 21 Director**



**FREEDOM IS NOT  
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**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION**



Greetings, I hope that you all had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I want to thank everyone in the Post who has supported us so that we could provide assistance to Veterans and families in need. We helped 3 Veteran families that were in need this Christmas season.

As a SAL Commander, I want to thank all the "behind the scenes" people who organize things, help us out, and make things happen, donate toward our causes, support us and never get recognized. In this season of giving, we deeply appreciate all who do this without getting anything in return. Thank you so much for your kind hearts and everything you do!

Here's some of the things we did to wrap up 2016:

- We provided Christmas dinner for 11 homeless Veterans living at Heroes Home Gate.

- We provided \$300 for the Holiday tree families at the Post. Special Thanks to Lelia Brownfield, who helped us out by getting gift cards.

**Mark your calendars. We are moving our meeting in February to the 16th instead of the first week in the month. We are going to try this so we can get more Members to come to our meetings and have them in the big hall. We have quite a few dual members that have asked us about switching so they can come to our meetings.**

SAL wants to welcome a new Member John Cuezze. Welcome Aboard.

Lastly, watch for our new SAL fundraisers coming soon. Have a great year in 2017.

.....Daryl Wimmer, SAL Commander



**FOOD SERVICE MENU FOR DECEMBER**

**Monday 5:00 till 7:00 P. M.**

<b>1/2</b> Three Chicken Tenders, Fries & Slaw	<b>\$8.50</b>
<b>1/9</b> Cheeseburger, Fries & Slaw Plus 16 Oz Drink	<b>\$5.75</b>
<b>1/16</b> Brisket, Roasted Potatoes, Mixed Veggies	<b>\$8.50</b>
<b>1/23</b> Open Faced Hot Beef Sandwich, Mashed Potatoes	<b>\$8.50</b>
<b>1/30</b> Ham & Potato Casserole	<b>\$7.50</b>

**Tuesday 5:00 till 7: P.M.**

<b>1/3 TACO TUESDAY PLUS</b>	
Post Tacos	<b>\$1.50 ea.</b>
21 Burrito	<b>\$ 4.00</b>
<b>1/10 TACO TUESDAY PLUS</b>	
Post Tacos	<b>\$1.50 ea.</b>
21 Burrito	<b>\$4.00</b>
<b>1/17 TACO TUESDAY PLUS</b>	
Post Tacos	<b>\$1.50 ea.</b>
21 Burrito	<b>\$4.00</b>
<b>1/24 TACO TUESDAY PLUS</b>	
Post Tacos	<b>\$1.50 ea.</b>
21 Burrito	<b>\$4.00</b>
<b>1/31 TACO TUESDAY PLUS</b>	
Post Tacos	<b>\$1.50 ea.</b>
21 Burrito	<b>\$4.00</b>

**Wednesday 5:00 till 7:00 P.M.**

<b>1/4</b> Meatloaf, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Roll	<b>\$8.50</b>
<b>1/11</b> Pot Roast, Potatoes & Carrots	<b>\$8.50</b>
<b>1/18 ALR COOKS:</b>	
Tenderloin, Fish, or Chicken Sandwich, Fries, Tater Tots, or Onion Rings	<b>\$5.50</b>
<b>1/25</b> Chicken Pot Pie, Salad Bar	<b>\$7.50</b>

**Thursday 5:00 till 7:00 P.M.**

<b>1/5</b> Fellowship Meal (varied menu) <b>Free Members Only</b>	
<b>1/12</b> Chili With The Works	<b>\$5.50</b>
<b>1/19</b> Broccoli Cheddar Soup, Hot Wings	<b>\$8.50</b>
<b>1/26</b> Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes,	<b>\$8.50</b>
<b><u>Friday 5:00 till 7:00 P.M.</u></b>	
<b>1/6 Chef John Presents</b>	
Hot Spiced Shrimp and More	<b>\$15.00</b>
<b>1/13 Chef John Presents</b>	
Pasta & Meatballs	<b>\$11.00</b>
<b>1/20</b> Hamburger Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Corn	<b>\$8.50</b>
<b>1/27 Chef John Presents</b>	
Southern Fried Chicken Dinner Plus	<b>\$11.00</b>

## USMC 3-D Printer Additive Manufacturing in the Field

The future of Marine Corps logistics took shape last month in the form of a plastic Humvee door handle printed in an Arizona desert. Marines with Marine Wing Support Squadron 372 successfully generated the replacement part using a 3-D printer under austere field conditions during the Weapons and Tactics Instructor course, a seven-week training school for advanced air and ground tactics aboard Marine Corps Air Station Yuma. "I'm nerdy, so to me this is pretty awesome," Capt. Marc Blair, combat engineer officer with the unit, said in a statement. "Imagine what the battlefield could be like in 15 years."

MWSS-372 became one of the first units in the Marine Corps to experiment with 3-D printing — also known as "additive manufacturing" — after Commandant Gen. Robert Neller put out a call to action in September for Marines to begin exploring the new technology that allows a user to design and fabricate parts on the spot. Marine administrative message 489/16 lays out policy guidance on using 3-D printers to fix or replace worn and broken parts, redesign existing parts and conjure up entirely new parts which might do the job better. "Furthermore, [additive manufacturing] can 'print' prosthetics, electronic components, large scale decoys, unmanned aerial vehicles and expeditionary shelters," the MARADMIN states. "The uses and limits of [3-D printing] have only just begun to be discovered."

The potential impact on the Corps is enormous, especially downrange. While high-end items tend to be generally well-stocked, smaller, cheap plastic parts — like Humvee handles — are all-too-often harder to come by. Blair chanced upon a 3-D printer demonstration while attending an emerging technologies roadshow held by Marine Corps Systems Command to scope new engineering gear. He recognized its potential, and spearheaded efforts to procure funding for a 3-D printer for MWSS-372 through Installations and Logistics' Next Log Innovation Cell. "It's a really basic model," said Capt. Kristina Warren, motor transport company commander with MWSS-372, in the release. "It's actually meant for K-12 students in order to get the basics of 3-D printing down." Setting the machine up took three hours the first time, Warren said, but she is confident it would take less than an hour now that they're familiar with it. The print time for the new handle: 45 minutes. "Being able to quick[ly] print a part instead of having to wait for the field supply system could give us some huge capabilities in the long run," she said. [Source: Defense News | Matthew L. Schehl | November 21, 2016 ++]

## FROM THE ADJUTANT'S DESK

Membership renewals are still coming in however the renewal pace has slowed. The Post is at 75.65% of the goal as set by National. That gives us approx. 1227 members renewed for the New Year. We have a long way to go to reach 100% of our goal before the end of the Legion year. If you have not renewed your membership yet please do so. I have also started sending out letters to all of the Post 1000 members in an effort to transfer them to the post. If you know anyone that has not paid their dues please get them to come and pay their dues. We will be doing a Post revitalization sometime in Jan. We would like to have as many of you come out and help make phone calls to all members that have not renewed for this year. As soon as the date is set we will get the word out.

**We have been sending out email notices for some of the events happening here at the post but we have been getting a lot of the emails returned. I ask that if you feel you are not receiving email messages please check your spam settings to ensure correct delivery of the emails. If you have changed your email address or have not provided the post with an email address, please send it to me.**

If you would like to receive your monthly newsletter by email please let me know. **We would like to increase the number of newsletters sent out by email rather than by regular mail. The post sends out over 1700 newsletters a month which is very costly.**

**If you have moved within the last 6 months would you please provide me with your new address.**

If you have anything you would like to submit to be included on the Post web site, please email either myself or Ed Murray with the details. 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  
[adjutantpost21@gmail.com](mailto:adjutantpost21@gmail.com)**



### **RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER IN '16 -'17**

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

Daniel L. Anderson, Dennis L. Carlson, Lyndell L. Johnson  
Steven A. McCaslin, Richard S. Slavens

#### **TRANSFERS**

Timothy C Green, Vernon Kimm



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

"Happy Birthday and Best Wishes"  
 We have 100 members with January birthdays.  
 We hope you enjoy your special day!  
 .1 @96, 2@95, 2@94, 2@93, 3@92, 1@91 and 2@90  
 The youngest will turn 52 this month.

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## Uniform Disposal What Should You Do With Old Uniforms

You might cherish your old military uniforms given all the memories they hold. Or maybe you — or your spouse — are tired of them taking up space in the closet. When the time comes to unclutter, what should you do with those uniforms?

### Dispose

The easiest way to get rid of any uniforms is to dispose of them, and there are a handful of ways to do this. The first is to simply throw them in the trash. It is cautioned that if you decide to trash the uniforms, you should remove any insignia and names on them. Some individuals even go as far as cutting or ripping the uniforms to avoid any reuse.

Others have found it best to burn their old uniforms to avoid any possible stolen valor. Another option is to check with a local base, as some military installations have shredding programs for old uniforms.

### Donate

If you aren't comfortable with trashing a uniform, consider donating it. As with disposal, you should remove any insignia and names when donating. One of the more convenient places to donate uniforms is at a thrift store. Though thousands of uniforms end up in thrift stores every year, it might be best to donate them to a military thrift store or one close to a base. If you're looking for your donation to go a little further, you can give your uniforms to organizations that help veterans, such as Bands4Courage or your local Airman's Attic. Other options include school drama departments, local museums, or VFW or American Legion posts.











### Repurpose

Maybe you'll want to put the old uniforms to use. Some individuals prefer to keep their uniforms intact and put them on display in a shadow box along with their awards. Others repurpose their uniforms to craft a wide array of projects, including turning the uniforms into bags, aprons, and even wreaths for the holidays. But others choose to get an active use out of them. You can wear them when doing household work such as working on the car or cleaning out the attic or when going paintballing, mudding, or hunting. Be aware some services have stringent restrictions on when you should and should not wear a uniform, so even if your service is in your past, it might be best to consider those rules.

[Source: MOAA News Exchange | Joseph Eisenmann | November 23, 2016 ++]

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