



The American Legion

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JANUARY 2021



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

BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS: MON-WED 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
ADJUTANT OFFICE HOURS: MON - TUE 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Due to COVID-19 office hours will vary.
Club 21: Opens at 2PM (M-F)
Club 21: Opens at 4 PM (Sat)
Check Calendar for Club 21 Hrs.for Sunday Football



Food Pantry Request List

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| Ketchup | Soups |
| Syrup | Boxed Potatoes |
| Paper Towels | Pancake Mix |
| Dried Beans | Salad Dressing |

Please bring all items to the post please. The Post is open Monday and Tuesday from 9 am till 9 pm. Friday and Saturday from 5 pm till 9 pm.

Moved or Moving?

New Address:

Add your new address above. then cut out this page and return it to the Post at the address listed on the upper left side of this page

NOTICE

POST CLOSED

UNTIL FEBRUARY



THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



Hope everyone had a great holiday and looking forward to a New Year.

SAL WILL NOT HAVE A MEETING IN JANUARY. Meeting will resume

February 3rd at 6pm.

If the Post 21 reopens in January, Chiefs Football will resume also.

Dues for the SAL are due and please mail them to the American Legion Post 21. Adults are \$25 and children under 18 are \$15.

Daryl Wimmer.....Commander



For the past 30 plus years, Hank Hommes has rendered valuable services to Post 21. He faithfully worked bingo every Tuesday night. Members and bingo players acknowledged their appreciation of his service on November 10th. They also celebrated his upcoming birthday. (November 12th) Hank is also a Past Commander. Thanks Hank and enjoy retirement!

WWI Gas Mask Improvisation



During World War I there were a number of different gas masks used on the front. Not only was gas mask technology changing throughout the war, but there were times when soldiers had to put together something quick to keep themselves safe during a gas attack. From the time of American involvement in World War I, around 2,000 U.S. troops were harmed by poison attacks, and members of the Allied powers suffered an even bigger hit in numbers.

Gas was initially used on the battlefield by releasing it from canisters and pushing it downwind. Over the course of the war, tear and chlorine gas were released on the Eastern Front and it quickly induced fear in troops from across the world. To keep safe, troops used cloth soaked in their own urine to protect their lungs from the poison. Why urine? They believed the ammonia in their urea would neutralize the chlorine, and chlorine dissolves in water so it had trouble passing through the wet cloth.

[Source:

<https://historydaily.org/unseen-history-photos-that-leave-nothing-to-the-imagination/4> | November 27, 2020 ++]



THE COMMANDER'S CORNER

Seasons Greeting Members and Patrons of Post 21,

I hope this finds everyone well and enjoying the holiday season. I met with my EBoard last night to discuss our future plans. It is difficult to come up with some decisions due to the ever-changing environment that the pandemic has placed us in. That being said we are planning on getting our post back up Running on February 1st 2021. It is our hope that things will have settled down by then and we can start with some sort of normalcy. Time will tell. In the meantime, we hope everyone will stay safe and well so that we can once again be together at our beloved post. We miss seeing all our friends and family.

If you have any questions or suggestions feel free to email me at commanderpost21@gmail.com

Wishing you a Safe and Blessed Holiday

Bob Ford
Commanderpost21@gmail.com

A soldier runs up a hill and around a corner before slamming into an officer.

"Where do you think you're going, son?"

"Sorry, Captain! It's crazy out there and the firefight was so heavy. I got scared and tried to go AWOL."

"Who you calling 'Captain?' I'm a general!"

"Wow!" exclaimed the soldier. "I didn't realize I'd run that far back."

NEW MEMBERS

TRANSFERS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

How the Scam Works

- Out of the blue, you receive an email, text, or social media message that includes Zoom's logo and a message saying something like, "Your Zoom account has been suspended. Click here to reactivate." or "You missed a meeting, click here to see the details and reschedule." You might even receive a message welcoming you to the platform and requesting you click on a link to activate your account.
- Scammers registered more than 2,449 Zoom-related domains from late April to early May this year alone. Con artists use these domain names, which include the word "Zoom," to send you an email that looks like it's coming from the official video conferencing service.
- No matter what kind of phishing message you receive, scammers hope you will click on the link they've included in their email. These links can download malware onto your computer or lead you to a page where you are prompted to enter your login information. Entering your username and password gives scammers access to your account and any other account that uses a similar login and password combination.

Avoid Online Phishing Scams:

- Double check the sender's information. Zoom.com and Zoom.us are the only official domains for Zoom. If an email comes from a similar looking domain that doesn't quite match the official domain name, it's probably a scam.
- Never click on links in unsolicited emails. Phishing scams always involve getting an unsuspecting individual to click on a link or file sent in an email that will download dangerous malware onto their computer. If you get an unsolicited email and you aren't sure who it really came from, never click on any links, files, or images it may contain.
- Resolve issues directly. If you receive an email stating there is a problem with your account and you aren't sure if it is legitimate, contact the company directly. Go to the official website by typing the name in your browser and find the "Contact Support" feature to get help.

For More Information

For more advice on how to protect yourself, see the BBB Tip: Phishing Scams and visit BBB.org/AvoidScams. If you've been a victim of this scam, help out your fellow consumers by filing a scam report at BBB.org/scamTracker.

[Source: BBB Scam Alerts | November 27, 2020 ++]

AUXILIARY NEWS



We held the post food pantry on Saturday, December 19. It was great to see the volunteers. Special thanks to Diane Bray and Kristi Seigler for their work putting the food boxes and Christmas dinner bags together. Having the pre-made boxes ready to go really streamlined the system.

We will be holding a food drive for the pantry on January 16. A needs list will be developed and sent out as soon as it is available. Please donate if you can. Our stores are getting low since we haven't had a food drive in months. Bingo players donated quite often, and without bingo, those donations dried up.

The Post has announced a tentative re-open date of February 1, so there will not be an Auxiliary meeting in January.

I hope everyone is staying healthy. I wish each of you the blessings of the season with prayers that the New Year will bring some normalcy back to our lives.

Lana Butler, President
816-507-3033 or LMLeitner@yahoo.com



FOOD PANTRY READY FOR DISTRIBUTION

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



Happy New Year! More than ever before everyone is looking forward to the promise of 2021, and I know I am as well.

With the Post set to reopen in February we will get back our normal cadence of meetings on the second Thursday starting on February 11th. I am looking forward to seeing everyone and getting things kicked off for a great 2021.

One of the big initiatives is going to be planning for a Camp Valor Ride in October. Tom and I will be putting our heads together and we will be asking for folks to volunteer to be a part of that committee. We want to have a ride that represents us well and generates more money for the CVO mission.

I expect to start Burger Night in February also. I look forward to continuing that mission and helping the Post get back on track after this second long shutdown. I know that you will all rally to support that. More information will be available on that this later in January.



Until we can all be together again I wish you all a very happy and healthy new year. Keep yourselves and all of those close to you safe and please reach out if there is anything I can do for you!

Don Decker - ALR Chapter 21 Director



Auxiliary New Members, Transfers, Deaths

New:

Death: Margaret Lupton, Jessie Kueck, Betty Maginness

Transfer: Linda Rasperger



2021

Out with the old, in with the new.
Wishing you a year filled with happiness.
Hope to open soon. Miss your smiling faces.
Happy New Year!



The calendar is being sold by Midwest Poppies for Patriots.
The cost of the calendar is \$15.00 each with proceeds benefiting Tirey J. Ford Post 21.



MIDWEST POPPIES for PATRIOTS

*Serving those who served our
country so faithfully*



PROCEEDS BENEFIT
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Independence, MO

TAPS



**HERMAN M BASLER, WAYNE L BEAR,
DAVID A CARY, RAYMOND A FLEMING,
JOSEPH A GENRICH, HAROLD E HOLLIGER**

*With reverence, we commit these,
our comrades, to the Post Everlasting*

JANUARY 2021 BIRTHDAYS

"Happy Birthday and Best Wishes"

We have 70 members with January birthdays.

We hope you enjoy your special day!

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The youngest will turn 33 this month.

Use WD 40 in Your Bathroom Faucets

For most people they deal with hard water which over time can make cause things to become harder to d For example, your shower or bath faucets, as hard water build-up, turning the hot water knob can becom increasingly more difficult. Or the same can happen with the shower/bath diverter spout (that little thingyou pull that will make the water come out of the faucet or showerhead). Instead of taking apart your fauceor paying a plumber to come to fix it, you can use WD40. Just take a can of WD40 (preferably one with along flexible hose) and spray it inside of your faucet. The WD40 will loosen up the hard water and makthe diverter work as smoothly as day 1. The same goes for a hard to turn shower knob, a spritz of WD4and it will work like brand new.

**THE POST BUSINESS OFFICE SELLS OUTDOOR FLAGS
ONLY \$20.00 FOR A 3X5 U.S. MADE FLAG
OTHER SIZES CAN BE ORDERED.
SUPPORT YOUR FREEDOM... FLY A FLAG**

FROM THE ADJUTANT'S DESK

Food Pantry Food Drive

The food pantry is hosting a food drive on January 16, 2021 at the post from 10 am until 2 pm.

The following items are needed for the food pantry:

**Chili
Beef Stew
Canned Sloppy Joe
Canned Potatoes**

**Corn Muffin Mix
Boxed Potatoes
Boxed Pasta Meals
Salad Dressing**

Thanks

Food Pantry Staff

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

Dish Soap Used In the Toilet

With endless products claiming they can make your toilet look brand new, it can be hard to sift through them all and figure out which one to buy. Rather than spending money and time wasted, there's something in your house already that you can use. And it's not what you might think. Dish soap is the answer you've been looking for. And it couldn't be any more simple to use. Take 1/4 cup of dish soap + 1/4 cup of baking soda + 1/4 cup of water. Mix them together, then pour them into the toilet. Stir the solution, then let it sit overnight. The next morning, do a light scrub and your toilet will look brand new! You can also use dish soap to unclog a toilet without a plunger. Simply put 1 cup of soap into your toilet, let it sit for 30 mins. Then take hot water and pour it into the bowl. The clog will be gone.

Helping Onions and Garlic Last Longer

You don't have to be a top chef to know the flavorful benefits of cooking and sautéing with onions and garlic. By simply adding these two staples, you can totally change the game when it comes to the taste of some of your favorite foods or dishes. Although such veggies as onions, garlic, and even shallots last much longer than their counterparts, such as bananas, apples and oranges, there is a simple hack to further their longevity by as many as three more months. Just take a paper bag, such as a lunch bag, and using a paper punch and punch holes all in the bag. Once you have that done, fold the bag top down a couple of turns and secure it with a paper clip.

Pour Salt Down Your Sink Drain To Fix Clogs

Salt is one of the most commonly found minerals on earth. And while most people associate it with cooking, it actually has tons of uses all around the house. One of the more helpful alternatives uses for salt is to help fix clogged drains. Here's what you need to do. First, clear as much of the blockage as you can by hand. Then take 1/2 a cup of salt and 1/2 a cup of baking soda and pour it into the drain. Then take vinegar and pour it down the hole. It will bubble up fast, then by the time the bubbles stop, the clog should be gone. Salt can also be used for things like putting out a dangerous grease fire. You can also use it as an abrasive to help clean a very dirty pot or pan. There are literally ended uses for salt around the house, that's why it pays to always keep extra in your pantry.



**Every end marks a new beginning.
Keep your spirits unshaken with
courage and faith.
We wish you a superb 2021!
Post 21 E-board**



MASK

REQUIRED

NO DANCES FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

7
9
16
23
30

Doors open at 5:00 P.M.
Dance Time - 7:00 P.M.-10:30 P.M.
Admission to Saturday Dances \$10.00



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