



The American Legion

TIREY J FORD POST 21
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JUNE 2021



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CHARTERED MAY 1, 1921

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DUE TO RAIN CANCELAN IN MAY THIS IS THE NEW DATE

Car, Truck & Bike Show Sat. June 5 10am-4pm



**The American Legion – Tirey J. Ford Post 21
Free Admission**

**Cool Cars & Trucks Wicked Bikes
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The American Legion
Tirey J. Ford Post 21

Home Post of President Harry S. Truman
Chartered on May 1, 1921

Thursday, June 17th
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Truman Hall
16701 E. US Hwy 40



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Book your appointment today at [savealifenow.org/group](https://www.savealifenow.org/group), enter Group Code: CBSK or click the above QR code. For additional details contact Thomas Tanner at 816-373-0221 or at tdtanner21@gmail.com

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THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



NO INFORMATION SENT

Daryl Wimmer.....Commander

Dear Members and Patrons of Post 21,

As you may have heard, the City of Independence has lifted the mask mandate and social distance requirements. Effective immediately those that have been fully vaccinated may enter our post without a mask. We ask that out of consideration of those around you if you have not been fully vaccinated that you continue to wear a mask. The pandemic is not over but we have made a lot of progress in mitigating the spread. Please continue to help us on this journey.

Commander Bob Ford

FLY THE FLAG



Flag Day, June 14

Father's Day, third Sunday in June

MINUTES OF POST MONTHLY MEETING

Commander Bob Ford called the regular monthly meeting of the Tirey J Ford Post 21 to order at 7:00 PM, May 6, 2021, at the Post Home.

Commander Ford conducted the opening ritual. 1st Vice Commander Mark Clark placed the POW/MIA Flag on the empty chair.

Chaplain gave the opening prayer.

There were 10 officers, and 18 members present. A quorum was present.

Finance Officer Sylvia Tanner gave the finance report for the month of Mar 2021. A motion was made by Mark Clark to accept the finance report as read. 2nd by Kerry Boardman. Motion carried.

The Executive Committee meeting minutes from April 21, 2021 were read. A motion was made by Randy Bray to accept the minutes as read. 2nd by Larry Harris. Motion carried.

New members and transfers were read. A motion was made to accept the new members and transfers by Mark Clark. 2nd by Kerry Boardman. Motion carried.

There were 5 deceased members since the last Post meeting.

The Adjutant read correspondence.

Officer Report:

Tom Tanner reported on the update of MY Legion. Also discussed renewal of membership online. Please call for information.

Mark Clark discussed the importance of more members getting involved with the Post, both in attending meetings and functions to becoming an officer in the post to aid in its operation.

Committee Reports:

Dance report was given by Wayne Keller.

Don Decker gave the Riders report.

Kerry Boardman gave the Bingo report.

Tom Tanner gave the Food Pantry report.

Mike Sweeney gave a report on the progress of the POW/MIA day celebration in September.

Old Business:

New Business:

Commander Bob Ford presented his slate for the 2022 legion year.

Commander Bob Ford

1st Vice Commander Mark Clark

2nd Vice Commander Regina Slade

3rd Vice Commander Larry Harris

Adjutant Tom Tanner

Financial Officer Sylvia Tanner

Judge Advocate Kerry Boardman

Sgt. At Arms Brian Williams

Service Officer Wayne Keller

Chaplain Doug Vetter

Historian open

Nominations were opened to the floor, Mike Armstead volunteered for the Historian position. A motion was made by Kerry Boardman to accept all nominations by acclamation. 2nd by Randy Bray. Motion carried.

Motion carried.

For the good of the American Legion:

The 1st Vice Commander removed the POW/MIA flag from the empty chair.

The Chaplain gave the closing prayer.

Commander Ford conducted the closing ritual, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

The next regular scheduled meeting is June 3, 2021, at 7PM.

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

THE COMMANDER'S CORNER

Greetings Members and Patrons of Post 21,

What a grand month we have at the Post! On May 7th we had our dedication celebration to name our hall Truman Hall. We served Harry Truman's favorite meal of fried Chicken, Mashed potatoes and gravy, corn and chocolate cake or custard pie. The Midwest Poppies joined us to serve the dinners. Music selections from Glenn Miller, Harry James, Tommy Dorsey and more were playing in the background. If you missed this, you missed an exceptionally good time. I want to thank Marsha Mooney our kitchen manager and all the volunteers that helped her put the meal on. It was a great success.

We have more evenings like this planned in the future featuring Mexican Food and a Tropical Night! Stay tuned for more info.

We can always use more help as we always have something going on. The more help we can get we can take some of the pressure off the ones doing a lot of the work. If you would like to volunteer contact me, Dorothy at the office or Marsha Mooney if you want to help in the kitchen.

If you missed last month's post meeting, we had our officer nominations for the upcoming year. I have committed to doing another year as your Commander. Most of last year's officers have agreed to return for another year. Many of us have been serving as a post leader for many years. We need others to consider a position in the coming years. First off new points of view are always a healthy thing for an organization and secondly, we do not want to burn out anyone. Please take some time to consider a leadership position. Attend an eboard meeting (last Thursday of the month) to see what takes place and become involved. We conduct business but we enjoy it, and we have fun doing it. Won't you join us?

Thank you for the privilege and honor of allowing me to be your Commander during this difficult year. The pandemic has presented many challenges for us, but we have persevered and we are back heading in the right direction.

Thank You

Bob Ford
Commanderpost21@gmail.com

JR Baseball 2021

Independence Post 21 AA JR Team (ages 17 & under) Indep

1-Jun 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Lee's Summit Outlaws
Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO

1-Jun 8:00 PM Lee's Summit Outlaws vs. Independence Post 21 -
Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO

3-Jun 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Rockhurst - **Crysler Stadium - Independence, MO**

3-Jun 8:00 PM Rockhurst vs. Independence Post 21 - **Crysler Stadium - Independence, MO**

6-Jun 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. St. Joe - **Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO**

6-Jun 8:00 PM St. Joe vs. Independence Post 21 - **Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO**

14-Jun 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Fike **Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO -**

14-Jun 8:00 PM Fike vs. Independence Post 21 - **Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO**

17-Jun 6:00 PM Oak Grove vs. Independence Post 21 - **Webb Park - Oak Grove, MO**

17-Jun 8:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Oak Grove - **Webb Park - Oak Grove, MO**

20-Jun 4:00 PM Lathrop vs. Independence Post 21- **Lathrop HS - Lathrop, MO**

20-Jun 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Lathrop **Lathrop HS - Lathrop, MO**

21-Jun 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Oak Grove - **Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO**

21-Jun 8:00 PM Oak Grove vs. Independence Post 21 - **Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO**

25-Jun 7:30 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Lathrop Post 467 - **Hidden Valley - Blue Springs, MO**

26-Jun 11:15 AM Independence Post 21 vs. Post 5 Jeff City - **Hidden Valley - Blue Springs, MO**

26-Jun 3:45 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Omaha Spikes - **Hidden Valley - Blue Springs, MO**

27-Jun TBD Independence Post 21 vs. TBD - **Hidden Valley - Blue Springs, MO**

1-Jul 6:00 PM Fike vs. Independence Post 21 - **Hidden Valley - Blue Springs, MO**

1-Jul 8:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Fike - **Hidden Valley - Blue Springs, MO**

6-Jul 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Sedalia - **Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO**

6-Jul 8:00 PM Sedalia vs. Independence Post 21 - **Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO**

8-Jul 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Trenton - **Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO**

8-Jul 8:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Trenton - **Crysler Stadium - Indep, MO**

13-Jul 6:00 PM Lee's Summit Outlaws vs. Independence Post 21 - **Legacy Park - Lee's Summit**

13-Jul 8:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. Lee's Summit Outlaws - **Legacy Park - Lee's Summit**

15-Jul 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. TBD - **Sedalia, MO**

16-Jul 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. TBD **Sedalia, MO**

17-Jul 6:00 PM Independence Post 21 vs. TBD **Sedalia, MO**



AUXILIARY NEWS

April and May have been busy months as things at the Post more toward normalcy. On April 28 we greeted National Auxiliary President Nichole

Clapp at a well-attended dinner. Volunteers from across District 5 filled food boxes for the Veteran's Project tiny home residents and those were distributed the following day. President Clapp also toured the tiny homes in Holden and Camp Valor Outdoors.

On May 19, Unit 21 member and current Missouri Department President Marsha Mooney was honored at the District 5 monthly luncheon. There was a nice turn out, and Unit 21 had 12 members and guests in attendance.

At our May meeting, we discussed naming the tiny home we funded in Holden for Catherine Anthony. That suggestion received unanimous approval from the members in attendance. At the District meeting on May 19, I had to opportunity to meet Mrs. Anthony, congratulate her on her upcoming 100th birthday (May 28) and as for her permission to name our tiny home the Catherine Anthony House. She seemed thrilled with the suggestion and gave us her permission to do that.

The nominating committee met on May 19 and will present a slate of officers to be voted on at the June meeting. Please attend that meeting, if at all possible, to vote for your new officers.

Bingo is going well. We have had over 100 players for the last few weeks. As long as we have at least 100 players, we make money. YAY!

It has been my honor to serve as your president for the last two years. It has also been very strange serving during a pandemic, not holding meetings, trying to keep as many members as possible up to date on unit events. Thank you.

Lana Butler, President

816-507-3033 or LMLeitner@yahoo.com



**Catherine Anthony House
in Holden**



Auxiliary New Members, Transfers, Deaths

New:

Death: *Geraldine Owen*

Transfer:



AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS

Legion Family,

I am excited that the Riders have selected their new officers for the 2021-22 legion year.

Director - Mark Clark

Assistant Director - Randy Bray

Secretary - Marsha Mooney

Treasurer - Betty Ford

Sgt at Arms - Doug Stacer

Judge Advocate - Ed Hazen

Historian - Diane Bray

It's been a crazy three years and I am looking forward to seeing where these new leaders will take this Chapter.

In the meantime we have a lot of things going on. Mostly we are doing what we can to support the Post. In the kitchen, at bingo and in the food pantry you will see a heavy influence of the Riders. The Riders supported the Post mission to place flags on the graves of veterans in Mound Grove Cemetery as well.

We continue to support the monthly Burger Night and we continue to receive great reviews for the work there. If you have not been in for a burger lately mark your calendar now for June 16th!

For fun we have a couple of multi day trips planned in July and we will be supporting a couple of veterans focused charity rides in the coming months as well. Look for information on our Tenderloin Hunt as we search far and wide for the best of tenderloins the area has to offer. As I write this we have just returned from a ride to Clinton to sample one down there.,

Please enjoy your summer and support your Post. She needs you!

Don Decker - ALR Chapter 21 Director







**2021
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JUNE

American Legion Post 21 816-373-0221

2021

Club 21 opens @ 2PM except on Saturday @ 4PM
 Food Served 5PM - 7PM (Carryout's Available)
 Bingo starts @ 6:30 PM Doors open @ 4:30 PM

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 OPEN Taco Night Bingo 	2 SAL Meeting - 6PM	3 OPEN Post & ALA Meeting 7PM	4 OPEN Dinner Menu Mexican Cuisine	5 OPEN Car, Truck, Bike Show 10AM - 4PM Dance - 7PM
6	7 OPEN Bingo	8 OPEN Taco Night Bingo 	9	10 ALR Meeting 6:30 PM	11 OPEN Fried Catfish, Shrimp, Grilled Chicken Music by Mike 7-9PM	12 OPEN Karaoke with Dee 7:30 - 11:30 PM
13	14 OPEN Bingo	15 OPEN Taco Night Bingo 	16 OPEN Burger Night 	17 Blood Drive Truman Hall 9AM - 2PM	18 OPEN Spaghetti/Meatballs Karaoke with Dee 7PM - 11PM	19 OPEN Dance - 7PM
20	21 OPEN Bingo	22 OPEN Taco Nigt Bingo 	23	24	25 OPEN Tenderloin Dinner Songs by Jaime 7PM - 9PM	26 OPEN Pantry 8:30 - 10:30 AM Dance - 7PM Karaoke with Dee - 7:30 P
27	28 OPEN Bingo	29 OPEN Taco Night Bingo 	30			

TAPS



**ROGER A BOMAR, C C FRANKLIN,
WALTER E FULPS, STEVE P HOPKINS,
JOSEPH I SOPCICH**

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

JUNE 2021 BIRTHDAYS

"Happy Birthday and Best Wishes"

We have 81 members with June birthdays.

We hope you enjoy your special day!

1 @105, 2 @100, 1 @98, 1 @97, 1 @94, 1 @92,

The youngest will turn 44 this month.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

With the new leadership of the Post in place for the next year, it is time to discuss your involvement in the Post. Over the last several years the Post leadership has essentially been the same people. For a Post with over 1000 members that breaks down to about 1 or 2 %. In order to ensure that YOUR Post will be here for many years to come, it is imperative that all members become involved with the Post. This can be done in a couple of ways, 1) support the various activities held at the Post, 2) become an Officer and assist in the operation of the Post. Without your support the Post will continue to become smaller and smaller until it is unable to support itself. Please consider helping in any way you can. For more information or if you have any questions contact a Post officer.

Thanks

FROM THE ADJUTANT'S DESK

With the beginning of the new Legion year upon us, here are a few things you need to be aware of. If you have paid your membership dues online you will need to resign up for My Legion due to the major change to the website. If you have selected auto renewal you will need to go to My Legion and verify that function is still working. I would also request that if you renew on line PLEASE let me know. As of now I have no other way of getting that information and without knowing it could delay receiving your membership card. If you need help with My Legion contact me at the Post.

As of March 26, 2021, we have 1037 members renewed. There are several ways to renew your dues, first is to pay online at <https://www.legion.org/> second is to mail them to the post or visit the post and pay them in person. We are still working on getting members renewed from 2019 and 2020, so if you know of someone that has not renewed, please have them contact me.

The roll out of the new My Legion has begun. If you are not registered yet, you need to do so. If you need help getting registered, contact me and I will help you get started.

The new Legion year is almost upon us. July 1, 2021 is the start of the new legion year. At the May meeting we will be taking nominations for officers for the new Legion year. If you are interested in being an officer contact the Commander or Adjutant.

The reopening of the Post has gone very well. There has been a good turnout for the dinners, Bingo and the dance. Please pass the word that the Post is now open and back for all our members. If you have any ideas on events or activities, you would like to see the post have feel free to let us know.

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.

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

NEW MEMBERS

Dean Yoder

TRANSFERS

Thomas Moss

Jerald Thomas

Auxiliary volunteers busy packing food items



What's New?

Did you know on most Saturdays from 8AM - 3PM there is a flea market in the Post parking lot? If you want to be a vendor, just come up with your treasures and set-up shop. Cost is \$10.



Do you know a veteran or service member who could use a hand? Our food pantry is open to them on the last Saturday of each month.

From 8:30- 10:30

WEB SITE
TO OBTAIN DD-214
www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/

Post 21 Website: www.moalpost21.org

VA AL Service Officer @ VA Medical Center, Ron McBee, (816) 922-2883 Phone or Fax (816) 922-3381 Hours of operation 9:00 - 3:00 PM M-F

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YOU HAVEN'T
VACCINATED

*****JUNE 2021 DANCE SCHEDULE*****

5	STEEL COUNTRY
12	NO DANCE
19	SOUTHBOUND
26	REDDYMEN

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

The business below donates to and supports our Legion programs

 <p>Stoned Syllly Bead Weaving, Bead Art & Bead Jewelry</p> <p>Sylvia Tanner cell # 816 305-0283 stonedsyllly@juno.com</p> <p>Legion Member</p>	<p>TIM'S PIZZA 816-478-0777 17201 E 40 HIGHWAY WE SUPPORT OUR VETERANS</p>	<p>ADVANTAGE PLUS OVERHEAD DOOR With 40 Plus Years Experience "THE ADVANTAGE IS YOURS!" 18161 836-0893</p> <p>Bruce Watkins Repair or Replacement of Doors & Openers</p>
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