



Tirey J. Ford
 American Legion Post 21
 16701 E. 40 Highway
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 Chartered May 1st, 1921
 Veterans Strengthening America



JUNE 2022

Home Post of President Harry S. Truman

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- Commander:** Bob Ford
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- 1st Vice Commander:** Mark Clark
- 2nd Vice Commander:** Regina Slade
- 3rd Vice Commander:** Larry Harris
- Adjutant:** Tom Tanner
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- Judge Advocate:** Kerry Boardman
- Service Officer:** Wayne Keller
- Finance Officer:** Sylvia Tanner
- Sergeant-at-Arms:** Brian Williams
- Chaplain:** Doug Vetter
- Historian:** Open

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Office Hours:

Mon-Tue, 9:00am-3:00pm

Adjutant Office Hours:

Mon-Tue, 10:30am-3:00pm

Closed Saturday and Sunday

Club 21 Hours:

Mon-Tue: 2:00pm-9:00pm

Fri: 2:00-Varies per event.

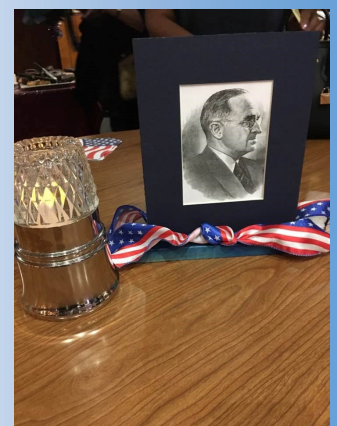
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Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/alpost21/>

Interested in Joining the American Legion? If you are a Veteran, son, grandson, daughter or granddaughter of a veteran you are eligible to join. Call our office for details.



Tirey J Ford American Legion Post 21 Hosts 48th Annual Truman Days after a 2 Year absence.



TIREY J. FORD POST 21 NEWS

Chapter 21 American Legion Riders help deliver lap blankets to the Veterans Home in



Post 21 American Legion Family members led by Linda Clark and Sylvia Tanner worked together to make and deliver 100 lap blankets to veterans of the Warrensburg Missouri Veterans Home. The blankets were delivered by members of Unit 21 Auxiliary and American Legion Riders Chapter 21.

June 2022 Birthdays

“Happy Birthday and Best Wishes”

106-1, 101-1, 90-7, 89-27, 70+-32, 60+-15,
50+-3, 40+-4, 30+-1



June 2022 Dance Schedule

June 4th: Selle Brothers

June 11th: Reddymen

June 18th: Dixie Cadillacs

June 25th: Reddymen

Doors open at 5:30pm

Dance Time is 7:00pm—10:30pm

Admission is \$10

Pool Tournament Results

Our belated quarterly pool tournament took place today, the 10th of May. Here are the results of the pool tournament. Pizza was supplied by Tim's pizza. Pat Hillen reporting.



Ernie Crews 1st Place
Pat Hillen

Text



Gary Cordell

Big Bob
2nd Place

Text



Boyd Williams

3rd Place
Rick Graff

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Commanders Call



Greeting members and Patrons of Post 21,

We have so much going on at the "Post". Hopefully you have been able to attend some of the events and meals that we have been doing. May 7th and 8th we had the privilege of hosting the 48th annual Truman Days. Saturday evening, we hosted a dinner with many dignitaries attending. The National Senior Vice Commander, as well as Legionnaires from Missouri, Illinois, Nebraska, and Kansas were in attendance. Sunday morning, we help the wreath laying ceremony. Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate and we had to move the event inside to Truman Hall, which was an appropriate venue for this. A special thank you to Dorothy Ballew, Truman Days Chairperson for the outstanding work she put in to insure this event was successful.

Your Post Officers for the next Legion year have been selected and will be installed into their office in late July. Congratulations and thank you all for stepping up to help lead your post. They are:

Commander: Bob Ford
1st Vice Commander: Larry Harris
2nd Vice Commander: Steve Williams
3rd Vice Commander: Jerry Miller
Adjutant: Tom Tanner
Finance Officer: Sylvia Tanner
Judge Advocate: Kerry Boardman
Chaplain: Doug Vetter
Sgt. At Arms: Brian Williams
Historian: Gina Slade
Past Commander: Mark Clark

By the time you read this we will be in full swing of our bathroom renovations. The contract was awarded to PACT, the same contractor that did our front doors after our break-in late last year. I hope you will enjoy these crucial upgrades. Thank you to all who donated to the Building Fund to help make these improvements possible.

We are still looking for help in some areas. Check out our help wanted page to see if you can find a fit for your talents.

Thank you for the privilege of serving as your Commander

FROM THE ADJUTANTS DESK

As of May 15, 2022, we have 1009 members renewed. As this Legion year is coming to an end, it is time to start thinking about the 2023 Legion year. The 2023 dues will be due on July 1, 2022, so be on the lookout for renewal notices from National. 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.

Do you have neighbors near you flying an American flag? Would you like to receive a membership recruiting pin from the National Commander? Stop by the Post and pick up a packet of door hangers, hang one on the door of someone flying a flag. Make sure that you put your name in the recruiter spot on the membership application on the door hanger. It's that simple. If you get 3 members to sign up, you will receive a pin.

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 Annual American Legion Convention is going to be held in St. Louis this year. If you are interested in being a delegate to the Convention, please let me know as soon as possible. I have to submit a delegate roster to Department in June 2022.

The e-mail address for Post is adjutantpost21@gmail.com.

Tom Tanner
Adjutant

New Members: Salvatore Levota,
Frank Knoll, Brian Daughtery,
Charles Demaree, Woodrow Howell

Transfers: Don Neese, Richard
Lentz

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Minutes from the May 2022 Monthly Post Business Meeting

Commander Bob Ford called the regular monthly of the Tirey J Ford Post 21 to order at 7:00 PM, May 5, 2022, at the Post Home.

Commander Ford conducted the opening ritual.

3rd Vice Commander Regina Slade placed the POW/MIA Flag on the empty chair.

Chaplain gave the opening prayer.

There were 9 officers, and 20 members present. A quorum was present.

The minutes of the last Post meeting were approved as published in the March newsletter.

Finance Officer gave the finance report for the month of March 2022. A motion was made to accept the finance report as read. The motion was 2nd. Motion carried.

The Executive Committee meeting minutes from April 2022 were read. A motion was to accept the minutes as read. Motion was 2nd. Motion carried.

New members and transfers were read. A motion was made to accept the new members and transfers. There are 5 new member and 2 transfer to the post. The motion was 2nd. Motion carried.

There were 0 deceased members since the last Post meeting.

The Adjutant read the correspondence.

Officer Reports:

Commander Ford gave a report on the results of the Gun Show. The Post made \$8277.00.

2nd Vice Commander Larry Harris reported on the upcoming Car Show.

Committee Reports:

Dance report was given by Wayne Keller.

ALR report was given by Randy Bray.



Minutes from the May 2022 Monthly Post Business Mtg. Continued

New Business:

Commander Ford presented the slate of officers for Legion year 2023.

The slate is as follows:

Commander Bob Ford

1st Vice Commander Larry Harris

2nd Vice Commander Steve Williams

3rd Vice Commander Jerry Miller

Adjutant Tom Tanner

Finance Officer Sylvia Tanner

Service Officer Wayne Keller

Historian Regina Slade

Chaplain Doug Vetter

Judge Advocate Kerry Boardman

Sergeant-at-Arms Brian Williams

A motion was made by Don Decker to accept the nominations and elect them by acclamation. Motion was 2nd by Ed Hazen. Motion carried.

Tom Tanner reminded everyone that we will be placing flags on the graves of the Veterans at Mound Grove Cemetery on May 27, 2022 at 9 am.

The 3rd 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 7:25 pm.

The next regular scheduled meeting is June 2, 2022, at 7PM.

The American Legion was founded on four pillars:

**Americanism, Children and Youth,
National Security,
and Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation**

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American Legion Riders Chapter 21

Old man winter has finally headed north for the summer so riding activity is picking up around Post 21. We have already held our annual group riding seminar and ALR Riders helped to deliver lap blankets made by Post 21 family members to the Warrensburg Veterans Home. Patriot Guard missions are ongoing, and our chapter is always well represented there. On June 24-25 Post 21 will host the beginning of the Missouri Legacy Scholarship Run which is a terrific honor for our Post.

As you can see from above, ALR Chapter 21 is still representing our Post 21 family well and helping to recruit new members to our Post 21 family. In May our Riders once again chose Don Decker to be our Chapter Director and I will hand over the gavel to Don after the June meeting. Don is an outstanding leader and I congratulate him and his slate of officers who will no doubt take Chapter 21 to new heights in the coming year.

I will now turn my attention to serving the American Legion Department of Missouri as Sr Vice Commander if given the opportunity to serve at the July Convention and continue to serve as the National Chairman of The American Legion Riders.

The one constant you can always count on from your Riders is that we will be there when you need us. The spirit of volunteerism in our ALR Chapter is what has allowed us to keep our Post open the past few years. This is something that I am very proud of, and I pass on a sincere thank you to all of our dedicated volunteers.

I will see you all around the Post and on the road. Ride safe, God bless, and thank you for all that you do!

Mark "Top" Clark

Director, ALR Chapter 21



**PRAY FOR
AMERICA**



THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 21

New Members:

Transfers:

Deaths: Doris Murphy, Marjorie Pettit

OUR MISSION

In the spirit of Service, Not Self, the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary is to support The American Legion and to honor the sacrifice of those who serve by enhancing the lives of our veterans, military, and their families, both at home and abroad. For God and Country, we advocate for veterans, educate our citizens, mentor youth, and promote patriotism, good citizenship, peace and security.

TAPS

Randy Bray

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



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p style="text-align: center;"> JUNE American Legion Post 21 816-373-0221 </p>						
<p style="text-align: center;"> Note: Food Served 5PM – 7PM (Carryout's Available) Club 21 opens @ 2PM (Mon, Tues, Fri & 3rd Wed) </p>						
2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Colin Show Closed	Bingo Snack Bar Menu	Taco Tuesday Snack Bar Menu		ALR Meeting 6:30pm	Boiled & Fried Shrimp Grilled Chicken Breast Music by Mike: 7-9	Dance – 7pm
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Closed	Bingo Snack Bar Menu	Taco Tuesday Snack Bar Menu	BURGER NIGHT		Fried Catfish or Grilled Chicken Breast Songs with Jamie 7pm – 9pm	Dance – 7pm
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Closed	Bingo Snack Bar Menu	Taco Tuesday Snack Bar Menu			Spaghetti & Meatballs Karaoke with Dee 7:30pm-11:30pm	Vet's Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:30 am Dance – 7pm
26	27	28	29	30		
Closed	Bingo Snack Bar Menu	Taco Tuesday Snack Bar Menu	5 th District Mtg. 7pm	Post Executive Board Mtg. 6pm		

TIREY J. FORD POST 21 Want Ads

Help Wanted

All positions are voluntary Unless otherwise noted.

If you are interested in any of these positions contact post personnel any of the following ways:

Office: (816)373-0221,
ALPost21Manager@gmail.com or
CommanderPost21@gmail.com

Webmaster: In search of someone to maintain the Post website. Responsibilities include updating the calendar as well as upload current newsletters and flyers. Updating the look of the website is also desired.



Time required: Average time spent on the website not counting design changes should only require 3-4 hours per month.

Qualifications: Computer skills are essential. Previous webpage design helpful but not required. Basic training is provided.

Dance Committee: Needing multiple people or couples interested in helping host the Saturday Night Country Dance. Responsibilities include greeting guest, maintaining order and assisting in securing the building after the dance. Having 4 people/couples in this position would mean you would only host 1 dance per month.



Time required: Approximately 6 hours per dance.

Reporters: Looking for candidates interested in attending post functions, taking pictures and writing articles about the event. No special requirements for this position beyond basic computer/email skills and a desire to help communicate what is going on at Post 21.



Time Required: Varies

Assistant Newsletter Editor: Needing someone to assist the Newsletter Editor in collecting and laying out information for the monthly newsletter.



Requirements: Computer Skills. Knowledge of Microsoft WORD and Microsoft PUBLISHER are required.

Time Required: 4-5 hours per month

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ!

Do you have a special skill that you can use to help out your post? Due to the tragic loss of our maintenance member we are in need of help in HVAC, Plumbing, Electrical, Refrigeration, and all forms of building maintenance.

If you would like to help in any of these areas or one not listed contact Dorothy in the office (816) 373-0221 to have your name put on a list. Let her know what area of expertise you are willing to help with.

We greatly appreciate any help that you can give to help maintain our post.

Thank you, Bob Ford, Commander



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