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POST EVENTS FOR OCTOBER

AUXILIARY E-BOARD MEETING -OCTOBER 4th

POST MEETING - OCTOBER 5th @ 7:00 PM
AUXILIARY MEETING - OCTOBER 5th @ 7:00 PM

SAL MEETING - OCTOBER 4th @ 7:00 PM
ALR MEETING - OCTOBER 12th @ 6:30 PM

HOUSE COMMITTEE MEETING OCTOBER 18th @ 6:30 PM

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

5th DISTRICT MEETING OCTOBER 25th @ 6:00 PM

THURSDAY NIGHT DANCE IN OCTOBER- See Page 7

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCES 4 Dances in OCTOBER - See Page 3

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16701 E 40 HWY
INDEPENDENCE, MO 64055






POST OFFICERS - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Commander	Mike Feliciano
1st Vice Commander	Jim Harris
2nd Vice Commander	Ed Witthar
3rd Vice Commander	Noel Tyler
Adjutant	Tom Tanner
Finance Officer	Sylvia Tanner
Judge Advocate	Wes Blake
Historian	David Cary
Service Officer	Mike Sweeney
Chaplain	Bob Settles
Sergeant-at-Arms	Dan Orr
Past Commander	Phil Greco

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Americanism	Chris Wehr
Athletic	Boyd Lighthill
Bingo	Marge Neal
Boy's State	OPEN
Budget & Finance	Denis Proctor
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, Blake Herdman, Michael Keene, Jim Neece, Chuck Wilhelm

AUXILIARY OFFICERS

President	Gayle Metzinger
Vice President	Suzanne Proctor
Secretary	Ann Orr
Treasurer	Lana Butler
Historian	Linda Clark
Chaplain	Carolyn Blake
Sergeant-at-Arms	Judy Settles

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Commander	Daryl Wimmer
Vice Commander	Jim Neece
Adjutant	Jim Neece
Finance Officer	Walt Seigler
Historian	Open
Chaplain	Kent Groom
Sergeant-at-Arms	Leroy Brugioni

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS OFFICERS

Director	Bob Ford
Assistant Director	John Wessel
Secretary	Suzanne Proctor
Treasurer	Ed Witthar
Judge Advocate	Jim Neece
Historian	David Cary
Chaplain	Mark Clark
Sergeant -At -Arms	Doug Stacer
Road Captains	Doug Vetter-Dennis Mooney
Safety Officer	Mark Clark

MINUTES OF POST MONTHLY MEETING

Commander Mike Feliciano called the regular monthly meeting of the Tirey J Ford Post 21 to order at 7:05 PM, 7 Sep 17, at the Post Home.

Commander Feliciano conducted the opening ritual.

2nd Vice Ed Witthar placed the POW/MIA Flag on the empty chair.

Chaplain Bob Settles gave the opening prayer.

There were 10 officers and 32 members present.

Commander Feliciano recognized the past commanders in attendance: Dennis Mooney, Max Henderson, Mark Clark, Mike Sweeney, and Jim Davis.

The regular business meeting was suspended at 7:08 for the following guest: Marsha Mooney. Marsha briefed us on what the Ladies Auxiliary is doing for the post and community.

Business meeting resumed at 7:18.

Finance Officer Sylvia Tanner read the Finance Report for the month of July. A motion was made by Jim Davis to accept the Finance Report as read. 2nd by Noel Tyler. Motion carried. A copy of the last report is posted on the bulletin board in the Lounge.

The Executive Committee meeting minutes from 17 Aug 17 were read. A motion was made by Mark Clark to approve the amended Executive Committee minutes. 2nd by Everett Ellis. Motion carried.

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

There were 6 deceased members for the month of August. The Adjutant read the correspondence.

Officer Reports:

Service Officer Mike Sweeney reported the Post had 6 requests for assistance. 5 of the 6 were able to be helped.

Tom Tanner discussed the upcoming Salvation Army Bell ringing in December. The dates are 2 and 16 December from 9am-4pm at the Hy-Vee on Noland Rd. There will be sign-up sheets in the lounge. Please come out and help.

Tom Tanner gave the membership report. We have 1001 members renewed for year 2018. That is 68.37% of our goal as determined by Department. Tom asked that all members get involved in either bringing in new members or getting the remaining members to renew their membership.

Committee Reports:

Noel Tyler gave the Bingo report. Noel presented the Post with a \$4000.00 check.

The Dance report was given by Wes Blake.

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Bob Ford gave the ALR report.

New Business:

Past Commander Jim Davis discussed the Home Association and possible sale of the tower lease. Jim Davis made a motion to merge the Home Association with the Post. 2nd by Mike Sweeney. Motion carried.

Mike Feliciano made a motion to accept the following Post members to the Home Association: Jim Davis, Max Henderson, Mark Clark and Doug Vetter. 2nd by Mark Clark. Motion carried.

For the good of the American Legion:

Mike Feliciano read a resolution for Kerry Boardman who is running for Department Commander. Mike Sweeney made a motion to accept the resolution. 2nd by Mark Clark. Motion carried.

The 2nd Vice Commander 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 8:00 PM.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be 5 October 2017 at 7:00 PM.



RECRUIT A NEW MEMBER IN '17 -'18

NEW MEMBERS

Jack Alley, Andrew Andrews, Eugene Border, Delbert Marshall, Brian Morris, Richard Sorensen, Cecil Thompson, Bradley Winter

TRANSFERS:

Joe Cannon, Gary Ficence, Michael Jackson, Dan Kellogg

TAPS



Mark D Hope, Don J Hurst, Robert S Johnson, Edward P Linton, James W Reed, Benjamin D Vinoya

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

THE COMMANDER'S CORNER

HELP WANTED ** HELP WANTED **** HELP WANTED**

American Legion Post 21 membership is the strength of our post. Volunteers are the backbone of our post.

This is a call to action by your Commander, we have many events coming in the months ahead, please step forward and volunteer where you can

Commander Mike Feliciano

Did you know

Ice Cream. Place a piece of plastic wrap directly on top of the ice cream before replacing the lid. By minimizing permeable surfaces, you're making less places for the ice cream to be exposed to air. This won't make your ice cream invincible, but it's enough to keep it fresh for a little bit longer. Also, keep ice cream in the back of the freezer, where it is exposed less to air in general, and temperature fluctuations in particular.

Smoking. Every day you breathe in and out nearly 20,000 times. That's a lot of work for your lungs. Over time your likelihood of having a serious lung problem increases, especially if you smoke.

Medicare Cards. Changes are coming to your Medicare card. By April 2019, your card will be replaced with one that no longer shows your Social Security number. Instead, your card will have a new Medicare Beneficiary Identifier (MBI) that will be used for billing...

OCTOBER 2017 DANCE SCHEDULE

- 7 Dixie Cadillacs
- 14 Reddymen
- 21 Ranger
- 28 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.
Admission to Saturday Dances \$7.00**



AUXILIARY NEWS

Greetings from the Auxiliary! October is going to be a busy month and we need your help to ensure success. Chief's tailgating is always a fun way to support our Auxiliary with a weekly 50/50 pot. Chief's schedule for October is as follows:

October 2nd Home verses Washington 7:30 pm (Monday)

October 8th at Houston 7:30 pm (Sunday)

October 15th Home against Pittsburgh 7:30 pm (Sunday)

October 19th at Oakland 7:30 pm Thursday)

October 30th Home against Denver 7:30 pm (Monday)

Our third annual Indoor/Outdoor Craft Fair will be held on October 21st. There will be many vendors present and we will have food available. The Craft Fair held last spring had a lot of traffic but not many Auxiliary members came. Please support this fund raiser and it is not too early to start your Christmas shopping! Call Linda Clark for information or to volunteer. The Craft sale date is also the date of the American Legion/Auxiliary Fall Conference. Please volunteer to assist with this project as many of us will not be here to help

Our joint District meeting will be Wednesday October 25th. As a member of the Auxiliary you are automatically a member of the Fifth District. Many times I hear criticism because the meetings are usually held during the day. This year the 5th District meeting will take place at Post 189 in Lee's Summit at 6 pm. A meal will be shared and then we will have our District meeting in their Auxiliary room. I do not know the cost or the menu but whatever it may be I promise it will be worth your time and money. Please call the office 816-373-0221 to make your reservation (21 members only).

Department Fall Conference will be October 21st through October 22rd. with a DEC meeting at 3 pm on Friday. Fall Conference is a learning session. This is where your questions and concerns can be addressed. It will be held at the Crown Plaza in Jefferson City. Come join us, you will have a good time!

We have scheduled a Halloween party for October 27th. Faye Zacchaeus, Judy Nash and Judy Roberts will need your help in planning the party. She will give us more information at the regular meeting on October 5th. We hope to have a cake walk, face painting and treats for the children. There will be soup and/or chili to eat so come hungry.

We will have an E-Board meeting every Wednesday before our regularly scheduled Thursday meetings unless otherwise noted.

Take time to enjoy this time of year. The leaves turning colors, fresh apple cider, everything with pumpkin added, even Starbucks coffee! The air smells different with the promise of colder weather to come. Enjoy God's bounty all month long.

God Bless America, our service personnel and their families.

Gayle Metzinger Auxiliary 21 President

Auxiliary New Members, Transfers, Deaths

New: Paula Born, Loretta LaRose

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS



Greetings Fellow Riders,
Legionnaires, Auxiliary, and SAL,

Fall is upon us and I for one welcome the arrival of cooler weather. Even though we will stand for those who can't in any weather it's nice when we can be comfortable as far as the temperature is concerned.

Our Road Captain Doug Vetter and I just completed a year together organizing the missions for the Riders. I want to thank Doug for his dedication. All of us Officers hold titles and do administration of the chapter but the Road Captain does all of the real work. Doug has worked tirelessly setting routes and leading rides. He is responsible for a lot of our success. Thank you Doug for all of your hard work!

We kicked off the month with a fun activity. On September 1st we were invited to Raytown High School to deliver the game ball.

At the August Riders meeting I introduced what I called the "V" word to our membership. it stands for VOLUNTEER! It seems I am constantly asking for help and it's easy for us to ignore, assuming that someone else will do it. That has not been the case so I am flashing a "V" to all members to volunteer. Your Post needs you!

Thank you Riders for all that you do. You make me look good.

Bob Ford - ALR Chapter 21 Director

Armed Forces Locator is an offline computer-based search system. It was developed to help veterans, active duty, servicemembers, Reservists, National Guard members and ROTC members locate old friends, current colleagues, and family members who serve or have served in the armed forces. Their mission is to provide an opportunity for those who served to reconnect again with war buddies. Also, locate many topics that are of interest to veterans, active duty servicemembers, and veterans organizations. [Source: <http://www.armedforceslocator.com> | August 31, 2017 ++]

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION



Greetings Fellow SAL, Riders, Legionnaires and Auxiliary.

It's Officially Autumn when we all start winding down from a busy summer and start thinking about pumpkins, family dinners, and football.

Some of the Sons know from the September meeting that there are several Positions to be filled. I {Daryl Wimmer} have stepped down from the Commanders Position and we are looking for a New Commander to fulfill this Position quickly. The Historian and the Adjutant positions are also needing to be fulfilled. Jim Neece is the Adjutant and Vice Commander and he has asked to look for another Adjutant. Positions are critical because the Sons have over 90 members and don't want to see them fold. Please step up and help the Sons continue to do great things for Post 21 and the community.

The Sons are always looking for other great Organizations to help out and if anyone knows of any, please let an SAL member know.

Daryl Wimmer ...Past Commander

The Chief goes fishing

The rain had stopped and there was a big puddle in front of the bar just outside the American Legion Post.

A rumbled old Navy Chief was standing near the edge with a fishing line in the puddle.

A curious young Marine fighter pilot came over to him and asked what he was doing.

"Fishing," the old Chief simply said.

"Poor old chief," the Marine officer thought to himself and invited the old Navy Chief into the bar for a drink.

As he felt he should start a conversation while they were sipping their spirits, the young jet pilot winked at another pilot and asked the Chief, "How many have you caught today?"

"You're number 14," the old Chief answered, taking another sip from his double shot of 12-year-old Scotch, "2 Air Force, 3 Navy and 9 Marines.

FOOD SERVICE MENU FOR OCTOBER

Monday from 5pm to 7pm

10/2 Brats & tots	\$5.50
10/9 Tenderloin & fries or tots	\$8.50
10/16 Chicken tenders w/fries	\$7.00
10/23 Fish sandwich w/fries	\$6.00
10/30 Pulled pork w/fries	\$6.50

Tuesday from 4pm to 7pm

10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24, 10/31	
Taco Tuesday \$1.50 each	
or 4 for \$5.00	
Post 21 Burrito	\$5.00
Taco Salad	\$5.00

Wednesday from 5pm to 7pm

10/4 Grilled ham & cheese w/ potato soup	\$7.50
10/11 BLT w/fries	\$7.50
10/18 ALR COOKS	
Cheese Burger or Mushroom Swiss Cheese Burger, fries, tots or onion rings	\$7.00
10/25 Chicken tenders w/mac & cheese	\$7.50

Friday from 4pm to 8pm

10/6 Fried chicken dinner	??.??
10/13 Shrimp, clams w/fries	\$9.50
10/20 Whole catfish, slaw w/hushpuppies	\$12.00
10/27 Chili w/all the fixins	\$6.50

Saturday from 7:30am to 9:30am

10/14 Post Breakfast	
Biscuits & Gravy, Sausage, eggs & Fried Potatoes	\$8.00

Sunday from 10:00am-6:00pm

10/8 Spaghetti Dinner	\$10.00
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AUXILIARY FOOD COLLECTION

For St Michaels Veteran Residence

We will be collecting food the month of October

Any non-perishable food products especially protein and cereal/breakfast items

Marsha Mooney



1st Place
Gary Cordell and Bob Long



2nd Place
Jerry Tinsley and Bill Spotts



3rd Place
Bruce Reed and Ernie Crews



4th Place
Bob Long and Pat Hillen

Another quarterly pool tournament in the can...Pizza and beer were served and we had some happy winners...



HALLOWEEN PARTY
Friday October 27th
6:00pm-9:00pm
Chili, Soup, Hot Dogs \$6.00
Costume Contest
Cake Walk, Games



OCTOBER 2017 BIRTHDAYS

"Happy Birthday and Best Wishes"
We have 102 members with October birthdays.
We hope you enjoy your special day!
1@99, 1@96, 2@95, 1@94, 1@92, 2@91
The youngest will turn 43 this month.

FROM THE ADJUTANT'S DESK

The 2018 membership year is here. Please renew your dues as soon as possible. As of 6 Sep we have had 1001 members renew their dues for 2018.

On October 14th the Post will be holding a post revitalization. We need help in calling prospective members for the post. We will begin at 8:30 am and run thru 3:00 pm. Please bring your cell phone and charger. Coffee, donuts and lunch will be supplied. Please come out and help even if for only a couple of hours.

I am also going to ask that if anyone is interested in volunteering to help in the post, please contact me and let me know when and where you can volunteer. We are in need of volunteers for BINGO, the kitchen, the office and other positions. PLEASE HELP!!!!

In order to have a complete data base, I ask that every member send me the name of your spouse, emergency contact information, email address, date of birth, correct phone number, branch of service and war era. If you have moved within the last 6 months would you please provide me with your new address.

Emails are still a problem. I have been getting a lot of emails bounce back to me for whatever reason. If you feel that you are not receiving emails from the Post, PLEASE check your spam settings to ensure correct delivery of the emails. If your spam settings are correct please ensure I DO have your correct email address. If you have changed your email address or have not provided the post with an email address, please send it to me.

Effective 1 Jul 17 all members that have an email address will be receiving the monthly newsletter via email only. The post sends out over 1700 newsletters a month which is very costly. The post has 1431 members and I only have email addresses on 513 members. If you have not already done so please send me your email 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.

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



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DUES

ONLINE



CHIEFS FANS – LET’S TAILGATE

Football Schedule For 2017

ALL GAMES MEMBERS BRING POTLUCK

Mon, Oct 2 vs Redskins 7:30 PM
Sun, Oct 8 @ Texans 7:30 PM
Sun, Oct 15 vs Steelers 3:25 PM
Thu, Oct 19 @ Raiders 7:25 PM
Mon, Oct 30 vs Broncos 7:30 PM



**SUNDAY OCTOBER 8th 10:00 am-6:00pm
COST \$10.00**

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3381 Hours of operation 9:00 - 3:00 PM M-F**



As you may or may not know, Wednesday night dance is no more and has changed to the last Thursday night of the month. So mark your calendar for October 26th for dance. October 26th Oasis will be performing Classic Rock and Country so come on out and show your support.

3rd Vice Commander Noel Tyler

RICH CATES in the Lounge every Friday in October



***FREEDOM IS NOT
FREE***



**Jam Session
Thursday, October 26th
6PM – 9PM**










**Have you attended one of the Jam Sessions yet?
If not, why not?
Come out and listen to some very talented musicians
sharing their talents with you.
Enjoy the music and fun!**

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