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## **Commander's Report**

Greetings Post 10 members, As this is my last article as Commander I must say that the last 3 years have been satisfying although challenging at times.

I certainly appreciate all the support I've received from the Post 10 family. I remain grateful to each volunteer that has made our Post a great place to socialize while conducting important American Legion business. From the bingo crew, to the grill masters, volunteers at our fundraising functions and volunteers who set-up, serve and clean-up at all the rental functions we host throughout the year. I salute you for your dedication to our Post.

In addition, I appreciate the cooperation I've received from each Post 10 unit, namely Unit 10 Auxiliary (Kendra Cole), SAL (Nathan Semler, Keith Cameron), Legion Riders (Brad Rohrer), Honor Guard (George Harting) and the Commanders meeting participants including the Family Fund. I am grateful to our Adjutant, Joe Layos, for his continued

support in maintaining our membership and coordinating Friday night bingo.

I recognize that members and guests are not always satisfied with the performance of our staff and the quality of product we provide, but that being said the majority of comments I've received are very positive. For that I thank each of our bar, kitchen and maintenance staff for their efforts. Visitors, guests and other Posts are extremely complimentary about our Post and for that you can be proud.

Thank you to Summer Moore (bar), Paula Stull, Rex Young and Greg Bishop (kitchen), Chubby Saunders and Jeff Reeder (maintenance) who I credit for their guidance and attention to their department supervisory duties during my tenure as Commander.

A special thank you to Bud Price, Micki Price, and Curt Conway for their unwavering support. Each of them have given a great amount of time and effort assisting me with

the numerous projects, etc. we conduct each year. I am eternally grateful.

Remember that as of July 1st you may renew your dues to maintain consecutive years of service. Do so by the end of the year to achieve early bird status.

The first quarter of the new Legion year is relatively quiet with scheduled activities, so I will close with a request that all members provide the same support given to me the past 3 years to our new Post Officers for the 2023-2024 Legion year. Those serving their first term as officers are:

Commander: Dave Drawbaugh 3rd Vice Cmdr: Patrick (Chase) Burnett Historian: Dave Leever Board Members: Terry Walsh and Ronda Poffenberger

Once again, thank you for your support. Yours in Fellowship, Ron Moats, Commander roromo@comcast.net

## Squadron #10 SAL News

Summer is upon us as we're getting done with a nice spring so on to the heat and vacation weather. Congratulations to all of the BHS graduates. We hope you do great things moving into adulthood and congratulations to all of the kids moving up to the next levels of schooling. Freshman and 6th graders have a whole new challenge ahead of them as well as those going to college so good luck.

The SAL has been continuing the Queen of hearts drawings and would love our members to come check it out and try your luck. Drawings are on Tuesday nights at 7pm with tickets being sold until 630pm. We had great turnout and support on our June Gun bonanza and our wear and carry raffle, we want to say thank you for your efforts to support the S.A.L.

We have our July 15th Texas hold-em bonanza coming up and we hope to see you there. Don't forget about our October 1st Gun Bonanza. Berkley Springs trading Post is supplying the firearms and they never disappoint. SAL members will have the tickets for sale so reach out to us to get yours because they go fast. We can always use volunteers for our events so please show up and give us a hand. Just give an officer a heads up, so we know you're coming. I would like to thank those that helped at the last Bonanza its much appreciated, we get SAL

Auxiliary and Legionnaires all together helping, it's great to see how we can come together and help as a unit.

The SAL has some upcoming events coming so look at our event calendar and watch Facebook, The SAL has plans to do weekly gun raffles if we can work out the details so make sure you come by the bar and check out the display case. The SAL has a very informative Facebook group going so if you're not a member please look us up and join (American Legion Post-10 SAL), we give reminders to our events as well as just general events at our post.

This year we only had one new nomination for officers which was Michael Carter for 3rd Vice. At the June meeting he was voted in with no opposition so he will take office during the intake of officers on July 20th which will be at the post. Here's a list of the officers that will be moving forward, Commander Keith Cameron, First Vice Curt Conway, Second Vice Nathan Semler, Third Vice Michael Carter, Finance Officer Howard Long, Sgt at Arms Brad Rohrer, Adjutant Dave Berry, Membership Wayne Lowery, Secretary Dave Gilroy, Chaplin Skip Kauffman, Historian Loren Norris.

Don't forget your dues for your 2024 membership should be paid prior to the end of

the year and can start being paid after August 1st. The discount runs through Dec 31st which is \$25 and if it's paid after the 31st of December, it will be \$30. Come on by the post and get some Queen of hearts tickets and a good meal and pay those dues to make sure you get your new 2024 membership card.

I want to remind you that the SAL meetings are in the post on the 2nd Tuesday of the month typically in the dining room at 7pm but come early for dinner then the meeting. If you want to be a part of the SAL come join us for our meeting and let your voice be heard. We focus on helping Veterans and the children of our community so please come and show your support.

Travel safe over the summer and enjoy the weather.

Respectfully, Keith Cameron, SAL Commander keithc@wmaelectric.com

## Calendar of Events Jul - Sep 2023

#### <u>July</u>

- 3 Board Meeting 6:00
- 7 Post Bingo 7:00
- 10 Blood Drive 12:00 6:00
- 14 Post Bingo 7:00
- 15 SAL Poker Bonanza doors open at 11:00
- 17 Board Meeting 6:00
- 17 Free Identity Theft and Scam Seminar 6:30
- 20 Installation of Officers
- 5:30 Social Hour ~ 6:00 Meal ~ 7:00 Installation Ceremony 21 Post Bingo 7:00
- 22 Horseshoe Tournament 12:00
- 22 Live Music (Bobby D and the Truckstop Burritos) 8:00 11:00
- 25 Legion Riders Meeting 7:00
- 28 Live Music (Brian Nichols in the Bar) 8:00 11:00
- 28 Post Bingo 7:00
- 29 Honor Guard Car Show

#### August

- 1 National Night Out at Shaffer Park
- 4 Post Bingo 7:00
- 5 Legion Baseball Crab Feed doors open at noon
- 7 Board Meeting 6:00
- 8 Post Meetings 7:00
- 11 Post Bingo 7:00
- 12 ALR Cash Bonanza 12:00
- 18 Post Bingo 7:00
- 19 Horseshoe Tournament 12:00
- 19 Live Music (The Howlers) 8:00 11:00
- 21 Board Meeting 6:00
- 22 Legion Riders Meeting 7:00
- 25 Post Bingo 7:00
- 26 Live Music (Bobby D and the Truckstop Burritos) 8:00 11:00

#### **September**

- 1 Post Bingo 7:00
- 4 Board Meeting 6:00
- 8 Post Bingo 7:00
- 11 Blood Drive 12:00 6:00
- 12 Post Meetings
- 15 Post Bingo 7:00
- 16 Live Music (Bobby D and the Truckstop Burritos) 8:00 11:00
- 18 Board Meeting 6:00
- 22 Post Bingo 7:00
- 23 ALR Car and Bike Show
- 23 Horseshoe Tournament 12:00
- 26 Legion Riders Meeting 7:00
- 29 Post Bingo 7:00

1 - SAL Gun Bonanza - Doors open at 11:00

#### Free Identity Theft and Scam Seminar

Scams and Identity theft are on the rise. Learn about the different scams and how you can protect your identity and money by joining Howie Conway of M&T Bank here on Monday, July 17th at 6:30pm in the community room. She will discuss best practices to lower your risk and what you should do if you do fall victim. All are welcome. Pre- registration is not required, but appreciated. To pre-register, call Howie at 301-432-2273.

## **News from the Auxiliary**

I hope everyone has been enjoying the warm weather and the many functions that have been held by the various Post Units. As the Legion year comes to an end, I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered at the many functions at the Post and everyone who has supported the Auxiliary this past year. As we move forward to the 2024 fiscal year, the Auxiliary Officer's will remain the same except Dawn Lowery will fill the 2nd Vice position and Melody Lescalleet will take over one of the Honor Guard positions. I look forward to working with everyone in the coming year.

The Unit's 2023 Americanism Essay Contest Winners were listed in the last newsletter. In addition to winning at the Unit level, Zoey Eiring won 1st place at the District & Department level; Keira Deckhut won 2nd place at the District level; Lana Marie Brown won 3rd place at the District level; and Dylan Painter won 1st place at the District level and 2nd place at the Department level. Congratulations again to all the winners.

Our 2023 Scholarship Recipients are: Anna Katharine Davis who will attend Westminster College pursuing a degree as a Physician Assistant; Camryn Row who will attend Shepherd University pursuing a degree in nursing; and Erika Davidson who will attend Eastern University pursuing a degree in nursing and music. Thanks to all the applicants for your interest in our scholarships.

The Auxiliary has been very busy recently helping with the various Post functions, attending the May Mayor & Council meeting, attending District meetings, preparing annual reports, providing food at the Wagon Train event, helping put/take flags off Veterans graves for Memorial Day, and buying items to support the Martinsburg VA. Thanks to everyone who continues to donate/contribute to the VA.

One major project that we accomplished recently was working with the Boonsboro Schools & feeder schools to pay off outstanding lunch debts. The High School had a couple Seniors who may not have graduated if the debt had not been paid. In all, we paid over \$2,100 to cover the lunch debts at six schools. Thanks to Dawn Lowery for coordinating this effort & to Dawn & Cindy Kauffman for delivering the checks to the schools. The Principals were very appreciative.

Thank you to our beautiful Miss Poppies, Eliana Deckhut, and Ella Stride for their participation in both the Sharpsburg & Boonsboro Memorial Day parades and for distributing Poppies at various functions over the past several months. Thank you to Carol Long for organizing the Boonsboro parade and to all the Units/Organizations who participated.

The American Red Cross will hold blood drives at the Post on July 10, September 11, and November 13. Please stop in and donate. You may be giving someone a second chance with your donation.

Upcoming events include ALA convention in Ocean City in July; Bake sale at the Honor Guard car show on July 29th; Vendor & Craft show Nov. 4, 2022 – details to come out shortly on these events as well as various raffles. Check out our Facebook page: American Legion Post 10 Auxiliary for news & updates.

The 2023-24 Auxiliary membership dues will increase to \$35.00 for seniors and \$5.00 for juniors. Pay as early as July for an Early Bird stamp! Our membership continues to grow & we welcome everyone to attend our meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Post Home. Please watch for flyers/bulletins about upcoming events & chances to volunteer to help support our Veterans and Community.

Please remember to say Thank You to our Veterans for their service and continue praying for our Military, their families, First Responders, and Healthcare workers.

Kendra Cole, Auxiliary President (301-465-0239)



## **Post #10 Honor Guard**



## Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show

Saturday, July 29th Registration 9:00 -  $12:00 \sim \text{Awards}$  at 3:00 Benefits Honor Guard & Veterans Programs

Baked Goods to be provided by Auxiliary Unit #10

## **Legion Riders Report**

The summer is upon us and the Legion riders are already off to a great riding season. We have been able to participate in a few rides and have already held some great events with more events planned for the summer!

In March, the Legion Riders held their 2nd Annual Daddy/Daughter Dance themed An Enchanted Evening. This event has been a very successful event for the riders with over 200 dads and daughters in attendance.

In May, the riders were able to participate in both the Sharpsburg and Boonsboro Memorial Day parades. This has been a tradition for the riders to participate in these parades and we look forward to them every year.

On June 10th, The Legion Riders were honored that the MD Gold Star Legacy Ride made a stop at our Post. The ride had approximately 100 motorcycles and the ALR along with Post 10 was able to provide riders with breakfast sandwiches and drinks. We are also very proud to announce that we were able to make our biggest donation to date, a donation of \$10,000 to this amazing scholarship fund. Several of our members were able to participate in part or all of the ride that started in Frederick and made stops at the Flight 93 Memorial, Cumberland as well as many other stops in Southern Maryland. The MD Gold Star Legacy Run is a charity ride to raise money for the American Legion Legacy Scholarship fund. This fund provides scholarships to the children of soldiers killed since 9/11 and to the children of disabled soldiers since 9/11.

The ALR is busy planning a Cash Bonanza scheduled for August 12th in the ballroom. Tickets will be \$50 and includes pulled pork, pit beef, green beans, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw and dessert for two as well as Legion Milk.

Like to ride and wish to show support for our veterans? The ALR chapter meets at the Post on the 4th Tuesday of each month, except during the winter. We are welcoming new members that meet the Chapter's eligibility requirements. The core conditions are as follows:

- Must be a member in good standing with The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion.
- 2) Must own a legally registered motorcycle or be the legally registered owner's spouse within the state of registration. The motorcycle must be at least 650ccs.
- All operators must be properly licensed and insured per state laws.
- 4) Cannot be a member of another ALR group.
- 5) Pay \$15 dues.

If you don't own a motorcycle, the Chapter also welcomes supporting, non-voting members and junior members. The essential requirements mirror numbers 1, 4 and 5 above.

Brad Rohrer, ALR Director 301-964-0079

#### **Clopper-Michael Post 10 Family Fund**

Summer is here!! It's time to get outside and soak up some sunshine. The Family Fund held a Low-Ball Tournament, on April 20, 2023. Approximately 10 two member teams participated. The group was smaller than we anticipated BUT everyone had fun! After receiving feedback from the players and our own critiquing, we may have another low-ball tournament in the future.

Donations have been made to The Family Fund by Legion members, corn hole participants, and community members. We thank everyone for your generosity and thoughtfulness. We are asking for suggestions for fundraising. Think about it and contact dawnrlowery@gmail.com with your ideas.

We appreciate everything given to The Family Fund so that we, as a Legion Family, may help our veterans and community.

#### Kitchen News

#### **Sunday Breakfast**

8:00a.m. - 11:30a.m. Full Breakfast Menu available

#### Sunday:

Large Thin Crust Pizza - Half Price AYCE Wings \$13.00 Noon - 7:30p.m.

#### **Monday**

AYCE Wings \$13.00 Domestic Draft Beers \$2.00

#### Tuesday

Taco Tuesday

### Thursday

Steak Night

#### Friday - Sunday

Weekly Bartender's featured drink specials

#### Friday Specials

07/07 - General Tso's Chicken

07/14 - Prime Rib

07/21 - Bacon Wrapped Scallops

07/28 - Pan Fried Pork Chops

08/04 - Chicken Saltimbocca

08/11 - Sirloin Pot Roast

08/18 - Stuffed Flounder

08/25 - BBO Ribs

09/01 - Herb Roasted 1/2 Chicken

09/08 - Homemade Meatloaf

09/15 - Parmesan Trout

09/22 - Stuffed Pork Loin

09/29 - 1/2 BBQ Chicken



## **Legion Baseball Crab Feed**

Saturday, August 5th ~ Cost: \$50 per person

Doors open at Noon

Food served at 1 pm, Crabs from 2-5 pm Includes: Crabs, crab soup, hot dogs, corn on the cob and hush puppies, legion milk and sodas

\*\*\* AYCE on premises, no takeout. \*\*\*



Legacy Run Stop at Post 10 where we received a certificate for a Platinum Star Donation of over \$5000 as well as Certificates of Appreciation for the Legion Riders and Post 10 for hosting a stop on the Legacy Ride this year.

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