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POST #10

BOONSBORO, MD 21713

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## Commander's Report

With summer coming to an end and fall beginning the post will be very active with upcoming events.

First, I would like to thank Ron Moats for his dedication to the Post and accepting the role of Chairman of the Board of Directors. Your leadership and experience is greatly appreciated.

Congratulations goes out to Dave Leever, Post and District Historian, who received the Department of Maryland award for outstanding Department Pictorial Yearbook for the Post and for District 7. Great job, Dave!

Our September BBQ was a great success, with the majority of our items selling out completely. We received numerous compliments on the ribs, chicken, and pit beef. Thank you for participating and a big thank you to all our volunteers that made the event successful.

The Post will be having a Pig Roast on Sunday, October 26, 2025 in the pavilion starting at 1:00 p.m. Ralph Kenzer, along with fellow volunteers, will be preparing the pig. Guests can also enjoy fresh-cut fries, baked beans, coleslaw, and draft beer for just two dollars. The event will feature tip jars, a 50/50 raffle, and live entertainment by Kevin Booth presenting Conway Twitty all for just \$25 per person. Come out and enjoy some great BBQ and camaraderie.

Lottery calendars are now available to purchase. These calendars make great gifts as you have 365 chances to win cash up to and including \$500. Please consider buying and/or selling them as it is a significant fundraiser for the Post.

We have been asked what it takes to keep our Post operating month to month? The answer is a lot of dedication and about \$100,000 in expenses. From food and beverages to payroll, gaming, and facility maintenance (including roof and HVAC repairs, inspections, equipment upkeep, and snow removal). Unfortunately, our monthly income falls short by roughly \$11,500, which is why fundraisers and our lottery account are critical to closing the gap. Another question I have been asked about is membership dues. Of the \$40 annual fee, \$23.50 goes to the National office and \$13.50 goes to the Department office leaving just \$3.00 for the Post to cover administrative costs.

We will be placing flags on veterans' graves on Saturday, November 8, 2025 and removing the flags on Saturday, November 15, 2025. If you are available to help, we will be meeting at the cemetery at 8:00 a.m. both days. Volunteers are needed for placement of the flags and removal of the flags.

The annual Veterans Day program will be held at the Boonsboro High School on November 10, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. I encourage all our veterans to attend this program to honor our men and women who have served their country.

Post 10 Honor Guard will be participating in the Sharpsburg Veteran's Day ceremony in the square at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 11, 2025. Thank you to the Honor Guard in representing Post 10 all year long. Semper Fi.

Unit 10 and Squadron 10 will once again sponsor a free meal for veterans on Tuesday, November 11, 2025. Thank you to Unit 10 and Squadron 10 for their continued support of our veterans.

Post 10 will provide Christmas baskets to persons in need. Requests are due by Monday, December 15, 2025 the request forms are available at the bar. Baskets will be delivered on Saturday, December 20, 2025. Volunteers are needed to assist with the delivery of the baskets.

Join us for some holiday cheer at the Post 10 Christmas Party on Sunday, December 21, 2025, starting at 5:00 p.m. in the ballroom. Tickets are just \$5 and can be purchased at the bar. Members will receive a refund at the event, so do not miss out. The front bar will close once we transition to the ballroom for the festivities. Come celebrate the season with great company, good cheer, and plenty of holiday spirit.

The Post will also host a New Year's Eve party with a meal, snacks, and music. More details to follow. As a reminder, you can find details about this information and other Post events on our website at [boonsborolegion.org](http://boonsborolegion.org), as well as, on the informational boards located in the lounge and ballroom.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable holiday season.

Respectfully,

Kevin Holtz, Commander  
[commander@boonsborolegion.org](mailto:commander@boonsborolegion.org)

## Squadron #10 SAL News

Fall is upon us as we're finishing up with another successful SAL year. Thanks to Keith Cameron and his leadership Squadron 10 has grown significantly to over 742 members under his three-year leadership, so on to the fall weather and Pumpkin spice lattes. Good luck to all the kids heading back to school and fall sports, we wish you luck in this upcoming season. We would like to remind all SAL parents that we have Jr memberships for the kids, and young men. The SAL has been continuing the Queen of hearts drawings and would love our members to come check it out and try your luck. The jackpot was \$27,000 and only 9 tickets are left, when writing this letter and don't forget drawings are on Tuesday nights at 7pm with tickets being sold until 6:30pm. We have continued the Train Game handheld pew-pew jar/Safes at the bar and we hope to continue that with the support of Antietam Firearms, we want to say thank you for your efforts to support the SAL.

Don't forget about our October 5th Gun Bonanza with Berkeley Springs trading Post supplying the firearms and they have never disappointed. 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, it's 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.

Don't forget your dues for your 2026 membership should be paid prior to the end of year and can start being paid after August 1st, which is \$30. Come on by post and get some Queen of Hearts tickets, a good meal and pay for those dues to make sure you get your new 2026 membership card. The Legion Family has put out a Construction jar at the bar, and our Building is showing its age, we can only keep our building as one of the nicest looking Legions in the state by us all pulling together to update it as some components are at end of life. If you are willing to donate to keeping one of the nicest legions in the state, please drop it in jar or find a SAL officer and ear-mark the donation by indicating building funds.

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. We hope to see everyone around the club in the upcoming months, especially for our Christmas party and new year's event.

Please be on the lookout for our annual Christmas mailing and cash raffle chances that will be sent out after our October meeting, if you are available to attend this meeting at 7pm, please do so as it will

reduce our time after the meeting to stuff the envelopes and get them ready to be mailed.

I also wanted to send out a heart-felt thank you to the SAL members for voting me in for their commander for the 2025/2026 year. As my previous term I will represent each member to the fullest of my capabilities. I want to remind you that the SAL meetings are in the post on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, I highly recommend that if you have never attended a meeting before you should attend at least one to see all the requests and support we give our community. If you want to be a part of squadron 10 meetings, 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. As always if you ever hear of a member, community veteran of the community that needs help please let us know so we can see if there's something that we can do... email is below.

Be safe and enjoy the fall sports and hunting weather, let's continue to show our state that we support our post 10 legion family and regain the title of largest SAL squadron in the state of Maryland by growing to over 800 members.

Regards,

Squadron 10 Commander, Nathan P. Semler  
[salcommander@boonsborolegion.org](mailto:salcommander@boonsborolegion.org)

# Calendar of Events Oct - Dec 2025

## October

- 3 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 4 - Horseshoe Tournament 12:30
- 4 - Karaoke 8:00
- 5 - SAL Gun Bonanza - Doors open at 11:00
- 6 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 10 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 14 - Post Meetings 7:00
- 17 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 20 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 24 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 25 - ALR Zombie Bonanza - Doors open at 5:00
- 26 - Post Pig Roast 1:00 (Entertainment 2:30)
- 26 - Auxiliary Bake Sale
- 28 - ALR Meeting 7:00
- 31 - Post Bingo 6:45

## November

- 1 - Karaoke 8:00
- 1 - Auxiliary Craft & Vendor Show 10:00 - 2:00
- 3 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 7 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 8 - Place Flags on Veteran's Grave - 8:00 Boonsboro Cemetery
- 9 - Auxiliary District Meeting 1:00 - 4:00
- 10 - Blood Drive 1:00 - 6:00
- 11 - Post Meetings 7:00
- 11 - Veterans Day - Free meal for all veterans
- 14 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 15 - Remove Flags from Veteran's Graves - 8:00 Boonsboro Cemetery
- 15 - Veterans Program - "Warriors Among Us"  
Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ 3:00 p.m.
- 17 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 21 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 22 - Mr. Christmas Dueling Pianos - Doors open at 7:00
- 27 - Post Closed - Happy Thanksgiving
- 28 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 29 - No Bad Days Bonanza to Benefit Chase Tarmon 5:00-Midnight

## December

- 1 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 5 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 6 - Karaoke 8:00
- 7 - Children's Christmas Party 12:00 - 4:00
- 9 - Post Meetings 7:00
- 12 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 15 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 19 - Post Bingo 6:45
- 20 - Poker Run 12:30
- 21 - Post Christmas Party 5:00
- 25 - Post Closed - Merry Christmas
- 26 - No Bingo

## January 2026

- 1 - Post Closed - Happy New Year
- 2 - No Bingo

### 2026 DUES ARE DUE

Your 2025 dues expire on December 31st. Please pay 2026 by that date

Legion - \$40

SAL - \$30

SAL under 18 - \$15

Auxiliary - \$35

Junior Auxiliary - \$10

## News from the Auxiliary

Fall is just around the corner & those hot summer days will soon be a memory. The Auxiliary will be continuing their support to the Post, our Veterans, their families, and the community especially with the Holidays just around the corner. We appreciate everyone who volunteers and supports our events and functions.

We continue to donate food, clothing, and personal items to the Martinsburg VA to support our Veterans. We also support the Women's Boutique with donations of shoes, clothing, jewelry, and personal care items along with monetary donations supporting their Baby Shower. Flyers are posted throughout the Legion with the latest VA & Boutique needs. There is a jar at the bar for monetary donations & a box in the hallway for material donations.

The Red Cross has scheduled blood drives at the Post for the following dates: Nov. 10, 2025 & Jan. 12, 2026. Please be sure to register ahead of time on the Red Cross website.

The Auxiliary is having a Craft & Vendor show in the ballroom on Saturday, Nov. 1, 2025, from 10-2. Tables are SOLD OUT!! There will be raffles from items donated by the vendors. Come on out and start your holiday shopping early.

Nov. 11, 2025, is Veterans Day. All Veterans are welcome at the Post for a complimentary meal, courtesy of the Auxiliary and SAL. You do not have to be a member of Post 10 to attend the free meal.

The Auxiliary will be participating in a "Warriors Among Us" Veteran's event at Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ on Potomac St. in Boonsboro on Nov. 15, 2025, starting at 3:00 p.m.

The Children's Christmas party will be held Dec. 7, 2025, from 12-4 p.m. at the Post for children 10 & under. Registration will be required. Details on the party & registration requirements will be posted in early October at the Post, on our Facebook page and on our website.

The Auxiliary will be holding additional raffles as we move into the fall & winter months. Stay tuned to the website, Facebook, and look for flyers at the Post to announce these raffles.

Auxiliary dues for 2026 can be paid now. The cost is \$35.00 for seniors and \$10.00 for juniors. Your dues help us support our Veterans, Children, and Community locally through our essay contests, scholarships, and many donations. Dues can be mailed to Carol Long or dropped off at the Post. Auxiliary applications can be picked up at the bar or from an Auxiliary Officer. Our unit meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. We are always looking for innovative ideas to assist us in continuing support for Veterans, Children, and our Community.

Do you know all the benefits of being an Auxiliary member? Check out the Auxiliary website at [www.legion-aux.org](http://www.legion-aux.org) for more information on the many benefits available (including insurance, discounts on travel, retail discounts, etc). There is an Auxiliary Emergency Fund grant available to those who may need temporary assistance for a financial crisis to pay for food, shelter, & utilities; food & shelter for weather-related emergencies & natural disaster; educational training due to life changes such as the death of a spouse, divorce or separation, etc.

I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year. Please say Thank You to our Veterans for their service and continue praying for our Military and their families, First Responders, & Healthcare workers.

God Bless America,  
Kendra Cole, Auxiliary President  
(301-465-0239)

## Legion Riders Report

I hope everyone had a good summer and is ready for the views of fall through the valley. As we roll into this fall season, we will be looking to wind the riding season down sadly, but we will be active doing what we can to support Post10. We want to thank everyone for their support of the ALR. This past year we were able to make a \$7000 donation to the gold star legacy ride/fund which gives the proceeds to the veterans and children fund and the Maryland chapter has been the lead donator for 3 years running and we couldn't do it without your help and we hope to match that donation or even do better for the 2026 season.

We are the smallest group of Post10, but we try to keep up and help. We are doing a Halloween costume bonanza October 25th doors open at 5pm tickets are \$20 person. You can get tickets at the bar or from an ALR member and there is an online option too just go to our Facebook page and get the QR code. The other thing we're doing this fall is raffling off a 2009 Harley Davidson Sportster with a little less than 2500 miles on it, tickets are \$20 each and available online at the bar and from our ALR members... the link and QR code is available on our Facebook page. The ALR is a growing group here at Post10 and we can always use help at our functions and would love to grow the group so if you like to ride come by and join the group.

Don't forget to donate to wreathes across America and choose to donate to Sharpsburg Nat Cemetery then we'll see you at the event in November.

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 (Nov-Dec-Jan-Feb). We are welcoming new members that meet the Chapter's eligibility requirements. The core conditions are as follows:

- 1) 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.
- 3) 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.

Thank you to all of our Post10 members who show us support and attend our functions... lets ride into 2026 and have NO BAD DAYS!

Keith Cameron  
ALR Director  
Keithc@wmaelectric.com



**Come watch your favorite team  
at the Post and enjoy our  
Sunday specials.**

1/2 Price Pizza  
All You Can Eat Wings  
\$2 Draft Beers  
\$6 Pitchers

### Honoring Our Veterans

Once again for Veteran's Day (Tuesday, Nov 11th) the Auxiliary and S.A.L. will be providing a free meal to all Veterans. Veterans do NOT need to be a member of the American Legion. ALL veterans are welcome!

## Kitchen News

### **Sunday Breakfast (8:00 - 11:00)**

Every Sunday

### **Sunday Specials (Noon - 7:30)**

Large Thin Crust Pizza - Half Price  
AYCE Wings \$18.00

### **Monday**

AYCE Wings \$18.00

### **Tuesday**

Taco Tuesday

### **Wednesday**

Burger Night

### **Thursday**

Chef Special

### **Friday**

Weekly Bartender's featured drink specials

### **Friday Specials**

Friday Specials will be updated weekly on the website.

The Ballroom and Dining Room are available for members to rent at a discounted price. For information you can email  
Barmanager@boonsborolegion.org

### **Come Join Our Weekly Events held at the Post**

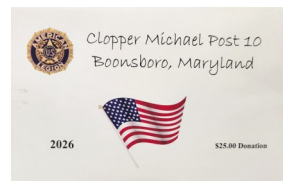
Tuesdays - Queen of Hearts drawing at 7:00

Wednesdays - Cornhole (random draw for partners) at 6:30

Thursdays - Weekly drawing at 6:30 (make sure you sign the book)

Fridays - Bingo at 6:45

### **Post 10 Lottery Calendars Available**



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### **Post #10 Christmas Parties**

#### **Children's Party**

**December 7th ~ 12:00 - 4:00**

All children under 10 receive a gift

More info to come

Registration required

Registration forms at the Post from Oct. 10 - Nov. 14, 2025



#### **Post Party**

**December 21st**

Bar closes at 5:00

Party to follow in the social room

# The **CLO-MIC** News

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### **Legion Officers:**

<i>Commander</i>	Kevin Holtz
<i>1st Vice Commander</i>	Dave Letendre
<i>2nd Vice Commander</i>	Cody Moore
<i>Judge Advocate</i>	Kermit Beard
<i>Adjutant</i>	Joe Layos
<i>Resource Officer</i>	Scotty Werst
<i>Treasurer</i>	Larry Rowe
<i>Asst. Treasurer</i>	Bud Price
<i>Historian</i>	Dave Leever
<i>Chaplain</i>	Bud Price
<i>Sgt. At Arms</i>	Al Resh
<i>Board of Directors</i>	Gary Haugh, Kevin Holtz, Dave Leever, Dave Letendre, Ron Moats, Larry Rowe, Brad Taylor, Terry Walsh, Scotty Werst George Harting, Al Resh
<i>Color Guard</i>	

### **S.A.L. Officers:**

<i>Commander</i>	Nathan Semler
<i>1st Vice Commander</i>	Curt Conway
<i>2nd Vice Commander</i>	Keith Cameron
<i>3rd Vice Commander</i>	Dave Berry
<i>Adjutant</i>	Michael Smith
<i>Secretary</i>	Dave Gilroy
<i>Finance Officer</i>	Howard W. Long
<i>Sgt. At Arms</i>	Brad Rohrer
<i>Chaplain</i>	Charles "Skip" Kauffman
<i>Historian</i>	Loren Norris
<i>Membership</i>	Wayne Lowery

### **Auxiliary Officers:**

<i>President</i>	Kendra Cole
<i>1st Vice President</i>	Cindy Smith
<i>2nd Vice President</i>	Dawn Lowery
<i>Treasurer</i>	Cindy Kauffman
<i>Asst. Treasurer</i>	Carol Long
<i>Secretary</i>	Kim Letendre
<i>Corr. Secretary</i>	Carol Long
<i>Historian</i>	Diane Dutrow
<i>Chaplain</i>	Melody Lescalleet
<i>Sgt. At Arms</i>	Bella Wade
<i>Color Bearers</i>	Dawn Scofield
	Bonnie Shank
<i>Executive Committee</i>	Cindy Gilroy
	Robin Michaels
	Beth Ward

### **Legion Riders Officers**

<i>Director</i>	Keith Cameron
<i>Asst. Director</i>	Jason Toothman
<i>Road Captain</i>	Ben Rohrer
<i>Asst. Road Captain</i>	Thomas Fraley
<i>Secretary</i>	Marcie Dove
<i>Treasurer</i>	Sabrina Toothman
<i>Membership Chair</i>	Julia Sprecher
<i>Sgt. At Arms</i>	Cody Moore
<i>Chaplain</i>	Daniel Fraley
<i>Historian</i>	Cricket Fraley
<i>Webmaster</i>	Keith Cameron
<i>Liaison</i>	Jim Weaver

### **Post 10 Staff:**

<i>Bar Manager</i>	Tammy Love
<i>Kitchen Manager</i>	Matt Bakka