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JUL - SEP 2026

Commander's Report

Summer has arrived warm weather, cookouts, and the cold days finally are behind us. If you are looking for a place to host an event, our pavilion is an excellent option. It offers plenty of fresh air along with shelter in case the weather takes a turn. If you are interested in reserving a date, please contact Tammy for availability.

Early election voting has wrapped up, and things are in full swing at the Post. We have a full lineup of activities, including the Wednesday night cornhole tournament, Thursday's weekly membership drawing, Friday bingo, Legion baseball, and numerous feeds. A big thank you goes out to Chad Coulter and the coaching staff for their hard work best of luck on a successful season.

I would also like to express my appreciation to all our Post Officers, Board of Directors, Maintenance, Bar, and Kitchen staff. A special shout out to Curt Conway and Micki Price for their dedication in keeping everything running smoothly. In addition, thank you to all the volunteers who helped make this past year such a success. Because of your efforts, our Post continues to be the best Veteran Home in the area.

The election for officers was held in June with the following results; The officers for the 2026 – 2027 year can be found on page 4. The Installation of Officers will be held on Thursday, July 23rd. Social hour begins at 5:00 p.m., dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m., and the installation ceremony will follow the meal. We invite you to

join us and meet your new leadership team for the upcoming year.

Post meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the ballroom, with the exception of July. We do not hold a July meeting due to the convention and the installation of officers. We encourage you to attend and share your ideas on how we can continue improving our Post.

As a reminder, Post membership renewal begins July 1st. We closed out the 2026 membership year with 557 members, achieving 101.828% of our goal. Congratulations to everyone for your continued commitment to our Veteran Home. Please renew your 2027 membership early, and encourage any eligible veterans who are not yet members to join so they can experience the camaraderie of Post 10. Annual dues are only \$40.

The Post placed flags on our veterans' graves for Memorial Day weekend, and I want to thank everyone who helped with this important effort to honor those who served. Our next flag placement will take place in November for Veterans Day.

We also held our first BBQ of the year on May 30th, which brought in a profit of more than \$1,900. Thank you to everyone who supported the event whether by volunteering or by purchasing pit beef, ribs, or chicken.

We have many activities planned over the next three months, so be sure to check the calendar of events and see what you would like to take part in.

Mark Clevenger, American VetDogs, was a presenter at one of our Thursday night drawings and introduced us to the mission of the program. The service dog programs of the America's VetDogs were created to provide enhanced mobility and renewed independence to U.S. veterans, active-duty service members, and first responders with disabilities. Their mission statement is "To help those who have served our country honorably live with dignity and independence". These dogs are trained to perform tasks to assist those with physical disabilities such as PTSD and seizure response. The American Legion Auxiliary and the Sons of the American Legion joined the Legionnaires in sponsoring a VetDog for a member of our community. We agreed on the name of the dog to be Clopper. The program has Clopper being trained at our local prison, socialized on weekends by a local family, prior to being assigned to a member of our community. Once Clopper is trained, he and his new partner will travel to New York where the recipient will be trained in how to work with Clopper. Thank you to all that made this possible.

Wishing everyone a happy and safe 250th anniversary of this great nation. Enjoy the celebration and stay safe.

Respectfully,
Kevin Holtz, Commander
commander@boonsborolegion.org
Service Before Self

News from the Auxiliary

Summer is here, and a new year is beginning for all Post Units. I welcome back our returning Auxiliary Officers and thank our new officers for stepping into their roles. A list of officers for the coming year is included at the end of the newsletter. I look forward to working with everyone and seeing the new ideas we bring to the Unit this year.

The Aux. has been busy helping with the various Post functions, attending the May Mayor & Council meeting, attending District meetings, providing food at the Wagon Train event, helping put/take flags off Veterans graves for Memorial Day, & attending the God & Country ceremony at Camp WesMar.

Over the past quarter a few of our donations include: Sharpsburg Elementary Destination Imagination competition, Boonsboro Fishing Derby, BHS Drama Club, Boonsboro Fire Company, Virginia Ave. Church of God Ranger program, the Veterans Forge Initiative (blacksmithing), several golf tournaments, as well as numerous donations to the Martinsburg VA, including the National Golden Age Games and Wheelchair Games, and items for the Women's Boutique. We thank everyone for their support in our various raffles, 50/50's, etc. Monies we make from these efforts support our

donations to the Post, Veterans, and our community/children.

Our 2026 Scholarship Recipients are: Alexis Iseminger, who will attend HCC and Austin Dinsmore who will attend Shepherd University. With support from the Post, both students were awarded a \$3,000 scholarship. Thanks to all the applicants for your interest in our scholarships.

Thank you to our beautiful Miss Poppies, Lilly Demers, Stevie Shawley, & Allie Smith and to their drivers 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. Carol wants to thank everyone who assisted with the parade & ceremony. It takes a lot of people, planning, & coordination. Without those volunteers, the Unit would not be able to pull off such a grand event.

The American Red Cross will hold blood drives at the Post on July 6, August 31, and November 9. Please register on the Red Cross website and check out any current incentives they are offering for blood donations. Limited walk-ins are available.

Upcoming events include ALA convention in Ocean City in July; Bake sale at the Honor Guard car show on July 25, 2026; Vendor & Craft show Nov. 8, 2026 – check out the electronic advertising board and flyers for more details on these and other upcoming events & raffles. Also, check out our Facebook page: American Legion Post 10 Auxiliary for news & updates.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with the 50/50 for the Friday night bingo. Contact any Officer to sign up for an upcoming Friday. It only takes about an hour of your time.

The 2026-27 Senior Auxiliary membership dues will be \$35.00 and Junior dues will be \$10. 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 remember to say Thank You to our Veterans for their service and continue praying for our Military, First Responders, Healthcare workers, and their families. God Bless America – Happy 250th Birthday!!!!

Kendra Cole
Auxiliary President
(301-465-0239)

Calendar of Events Jul. - Sept. 2026

Squadron #10 SAL News

Squadron 10 is pleased to announce that our second gun bonanza of the year on June 6 was a huge success. We would like to thank our members for their participation and our Legion Family for their volunteering efforts. We also hope all of our SAL families had a productive school year and wish the recent graduates much success in their future endeavors.

Please note the following updates regarding our meetings and leadership:

- Meeting Schedule: We have returned to our original meeting time on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 PM.
- July Meeting: There will be no meeting in July as we install our new officers. Our core leadership remains the same, with the exception of Dave Gilroy serving as Sergeant at Arms and Mike Smith III as Secretary.
- Installation of Officers: To be held July 23 with social hour beginning at 5:00, dinner at 6:00 and ceremony to follow.
- Scholarships: To be presented at Installation of Officers ceremony. Congratulations to Austin Dinsmore, Alexis Iseminger and Emily Makorie
- 2027 Dues Renewal: July 1 is the first day of the next fiscal year. Dues will be accepted starting that day and must be paid by December 31.

Additionally, our Queen of Hearts jackpot continues to grow and is currently at \$5,050.00 for the June 30 drawing. We encourage everyone to come out and try their luck.

Our Legion Family has grown stronger over the past year, and we look forward to continuing that support throughout the season. I wish all SAL and Legion Family members a wonderful summer.

Regards,

Nathan P. Semler
Commander, Squadron #10

July

- 1 - 2027 Membership Renew Begins
- 3 - Post Bingo
- 4 - No Karaoke
- 6 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 10 - Post Bingo 6:30
- 11 - Legion Baseball Crab Feed - Doors open at Noon
- 14 - No Post Meetings due to installation of officers
- 17 - Post Bingo 6:30
- 20 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 23 - Installation of Officers
Social Hour 5:00 ~ Dinner 6:00 ~ Ceremony to follow
- 24 - Post Bingo 6:30
- 25 - Auxiliary Bake Sale
- 25 - Honor Guard Car Show
Registration 9:00 - 12:00 ~ Awards 3:00
- 25 - Hawaiian Luau 5:00 - 11:00
- 26 - Honor Guard Car Show Rain Date
- 31 - Post Bingo 6:30

August

- 1 - No Karaoke
- 3 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 7 - Post Bingo 6:30
- 11 - Post Meetings 7:00
- 14 - Post Bingo 6:30
- 17 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 21 - Post Bingo 6:30
- 28 - Post Bingo 6:30
- 31 - Blood Drive

September

- 4 - Post Bingo 6:30
- 5 - No Karaoke
- 6 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 8 - Post Meetings 7:00
- 11 - Post Bingo 6:30
- 18 - Post Bingo 6:30
- 20 - Board Meeting 6:00
- 25 - Post Bingo 6:30

October

2026 Scholarship Winners

SAL Squadron #10 (\$2,000 each)

Austin Dinsmore
Alexis Iseminger
Emily Makorie

Auxiliary/Post 10 (\$3,000 each)

Austin Dinsmore
Alexis Iseminger

Cornhole at the Legion

Cornhole tournaments are held every Wednesday night in the Legion banquet hall.

\$10 per player

Double Elimination

Random draw for teams

Bags Fly at 6:30

Airmail challenge held at end of 1st tournament

Family atmosphere (bring the kids and have dinner)

Legion Riders Report

I hope everyone had a good spring and is ready for the riding weather. I know we are ready to ride. As we roll into this summer season, we will be looking to do some cookouts at the pavilion so keep an eye on the calendar for those and our Facebook page.

We want to thank everyone for their support of the ALR this past year we were able to make a \$6,000 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 2027 season, currently they are close to 200K but that's really good for the small state of MD to do in 1 year. This will be the 11th year for the ride and MD has donated more than 1 million dollars so far.

The ALR is a growing group here at Post 10 and we can always use help at our functions and would love to grow the group so if you like to ride or just want to be a part of the group come by and grab an application. 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 Post 10 members who show us support and attend our functions... lets ride in 2026 and have NO BAD DAYS! .

Keith Cameron
ALR Director
(Keithc@wmaelectric.com)

Honor Guard Members Needed !!!

The Honor Guard is looking for volunteers. This is a valuable service that very few Legions provide anymore for deceased veterans. New members are needed for funerals and to represent the guard at various parades and functions. If you are interested please contact either Bud Price, Kevin Holtz or George Harting.



Post #10 Honor Guard Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show

Saturday, July 25th

Registration 9:00 - 12:00
Awards at 3:00

Baked Goods to be provided by Auxiliary Unit #10

Rain date: Sunday July 26th

Benefits Honor Guard & Veterans Programs



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 6:30

Legion Baseball Crab Feed



Saturday, July 11th ~ \$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. All sales are final. ***

Hawaiian Luau

Saturday, July 25th
5:00 - 11:00

\$25 per person

Hog Roast

Sides, Desserts & Legion Milk

Tip Jars ~ 50/50 Drawing

** Rain or Shine Event**

Open to the Public



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<i>Commander</i>	Kevin Holtz
<i>1st Vice Commander</i>	Dave Letendre
<i>2nd Vice Commander</i>	Jim Scofield
<i>Judge Advocate</i>	Kermit Beard
<i>Adjutant</i>	Scotty Werst
<i>Resource Officer</i>	Jim Weaver
<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, Bud Price, Larry Rowe, Jim Scofield, Brad Taylor, Scotty Werst
<i>Color Guard</i>	George Harting, Al Resh

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, Jr.
<i>Secretary</i>	Michael Smith, III
<i>Finance Officer</i>	Howard W. Long
<i>Sgt. At Arms</i>	Dave Gilroy
<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>	Christi Weaver Bonnie Shank Cindy Smith Robin Michael Beth Ward
<i>Executive Committee</i>	

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>	Julia Stotemyer